



Minutes of the meeting of
Mayfield and Five Ashes Parish Council
Planning Committee

Venue Remote Meeting: <https://zoom.us>
Date Monday 07 September 2020
Time 10:00

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2020/21 Meeting 09
Adopted

Minutes

Chairman: Councillor Patricia Balfour

Attendance: Councillors present and voting:

Patricia Balfour, Jim Rait, Rosemary Neal, Julie Upton, Jane Driscoll and Sally Ann Tibbles.

Also present: Six members of the public, Cllr James Lench, Cllr B Redman (WDC) and Janna Todd, Parish Clerk.

Public questions

- One member of the public was present to provide representations and concerns on item 7.3. This was brought forward for discussion after agenda item 5.

1. Welcome to the remote meeting by the Chairman

1.1. The chairman opened the meeting and ensured all Councillors present could be heard.

2. Apologies

2.1. There were no apologies for absence.

3. Declaration of Substitute Members

3.1. There were no substitute members.

4. Declarations of interest on agenda items

4.1. Cllr Driscoll declared an interest in agenda item 6.

5. Minutes of the meeting of 24 August 2020 (previously circulated)

5.1. There were no matters arising from the minutes.

6. Potential planning application at Erleigh, West Street, Mayfield, TN20 6DR

6.1. Cllr Driscoll left the meeting and did not take part in the Committee's discussion or comments on this agenda item.

6.2. It was noted prior to the representations that no formal application has yet been submitted to Wealden District Council.

6.3. Two representatives for the landowners provided background information on the proposed development of 10 dwellings comprising: Two five-bedroomed, one four-bedroomed, five three-bedroomed, two two-bedroomed flats and 24 car parking spaces. The following issues were raised:

- Impact on the view to the south of Mayfield
- Width of the development access road
- Size of the properties when smaller more affordable dwellings are required
- The narrowness of West Street
- The density of the housing development
- Whether the neighbours had been consulted

6.4. Cllr Upton left the meeting at 10:50 after this agenda item was discussed.

6.5. Cllr Driscoll re-entered the meeting after this agenda item.

7. Applications for consideration (information previously circulated)

7.1. It was noted that no new consultations were received from Wealden District Council prior to agenda issue.

7.2. Two re-consultations received post agenda issue with expiry dates before the next committee meeting date had to be considered:

7.3. WD/2020/1155/F

8 Rothermead, Mayfield, TN20 6EG

Proposed first floor rear extension. Proposed external material change. Proposed changes to fenestration.

PC COMMENT: OBJECTION: The Planning Committee still has the same objections to the siting of the window in bedroom 2 and its proximity to the adjacent building.

7.3.1. Cllr Redman will ascertain whether siting a window in that proposed location would impact on any future planning permission approval should the neighbour want to extend their property with a similar design.

7.4. WD/2020/0900/F

3 Mill Cottages, Fir Toll Road, Mayfield, TN20 6NB

Two storey side extension to form attached annexe with balcony. Formation of new ground floor bay window to east elevation.

PC COMMENT: NO OBJECTIONS however this was not unanimous. The Planning Committee requests that that there should be the least disruption possible during construction and that all existing rights of access are retained. The Committee still agrees that the proposed extension has all the attributes of a completely separate dwelling and not an annexe.

8. To note any applications determined by Wealden District Council

8.1. WD/2020/0858/F

Rushers Cross Farm House, Tidebrook Road, Rushers Cross, Mayfield, TN20 6PX

Two storey annex on footprint of existing garage

PC COMMENT: NO OBJECTION however, the Planning Committee has concerns that the loss of the garage will impact on the remaining parking capacity.

WDC Decision: APPROVED

8.2. WD/2020/1127/FA

Woolbridge Nursery, Fir Toll Road, Mayfield, TN20 6NE

Minor material amendment to WD/2019/0595/F (construction of garage) involving variation of condition 7 to enable change to external materials and alterations to fenestration.

PC COMMENT: NO OBJECTIONS however we request that the same conditions are attached as per the previous application.

WDC Decision: APPROVED

9. To note any applications WITHDRAWN from Wealden District Council

9.1. WD/2020/0913/O

Russetts, West Street, Mayfield, TN20 6DT

Outline application for the erection of a detached dwelling including access and car parking provision (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) are reserved.

PC COMMENT: OBJECTION on the grounds of inadequate parking as the proposal deprives the existing property of their parking provision.

10. Changes to the current planning system consultation (information previously circulated)

10.1. The following elements of the consultation were discussed:

- There was no provision for downsizing for the elderly
- The existence of a brownfield register and what type of land can be registered
- The impact of reduced CIL in rural areas
- The lack of time to consult on Permission in Principle applications

10.2. The committee was informed that the deadline had been extended to 01 October 2020.

- 10.3. It was agreed that members would forward their responses on the 'Consultation Questions' document to the clerk before the next planning committee meeting on 21 September 2020.
- 10.4. The Community Development Committee will be requested to also take part in the consultation.

11. Other items of information or matters for discussion

- 11.1. The Planning for the Future (deadline 15 October 2020) consultation will be considered after the meeting on 21 September 2020.
- 11.2. The Transparency and Competition: a call for evidence on data on land control deadline consultation has been extended to 30 October 2020.

The meeting closed at 11.30 hours

The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be:

**Venue: Remote Meeting: <https://zoom.us>
Date: Monday 21 September 2020
Time: 10:00 Hours**

.....Chairman's Signature

.....Date