

MAYFIELD AND FIVE ASHES PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PARISH COUNCIL

8P:10 FINAL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

**HELD AT LONDON HOUSE, HIGH STREET, MAYFIELD
ON MONDAY 27th OCTOBER 2008
AT 0930 Hrs**

**Committee Chairman Cllr Peter Deller
Meeting Chairman Cllr Graham Playfoot**

SUMMARY OF MEETING

- 9 Applications reviewed
- Advice of applications granted by WDC 0
- Advice of applications refused by WDC 0
- Certificate of proposed use or development issued by WDC – 0
- Certificate of existing use or development issued by WDC – none
- Appeal hearings – 1
- Formal determinations - 0
- Parish Council Responses – 0

ATTENDANCE

Patricia Balfour (PB)	Present and Voting
Peter Deller (PD)	Apologies for absence (H)
Jane Driscoll (JD)	Present and Voting
Graham Playfoot (GP)	Present and Voting
Elaine Wheeler (EW)	Present and Voting
Paul Amans (PA)	Apologies for absence (H)

Present and voting 4; Present and not voting none; Apologies for absence 2; Not Present 0; Other Council business 0.

KEY TO APPLICATIONS REVIEW

A = WDC are in agreement with PC

B= WDC have over ridden PC advice

NR = No Record

NX = Not Mayfield and Five Ashes PC (Council Error)

MINUTES

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Two apologies for absence were received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS ON AGENDA ITEMS BELOW

2.1 JD declared a personal interest on the St Leonards School, agenda items, 4.7, 4.8, and 4.9.

2.2 PB declared a personal interest on agenda item 4.5

3 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

3.1 Questions and comments were received from:

- Mr Stedman WD/2008/2457/F Minute 4.1 below
- Mr Bayliss WD/2008/2534/MAJ; WD/2008/2536/CAC and WD/2008/2469/LB – minutes 4.7, 4.8, and 4.9 below
- There comments are included under the respective minutes.

3.2 A report from the Mayfield and Five Ashes was noted by the committee

4. APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION (9)

4.1 **WD/2008/2457/F Received 3 October 2008**

APPLICANT Mrs J Bailey & Messrs Stedman

TYPE Full

**Erection of single 2 storey house with formation of new lay by to the avenue
Land adjacent to Atherden, the Avenue, Mayfield, TN20 6AY**

PARISH COUNCIL DECISION NO OBJECTION

**Mr Stedman spoke in support of his application with regard to the land near
Atherden. He noted that:**

- **The line of Sycamore trees would be removed and replaced with new trees further back. The other trees on the site were suspect and would need to be reduced or cleared. The trees were currently a source of public complaint.**
- **ESCC had objections to the proposed lay by, but WDC had intimated that there would not be a problem.**
- **A tree report had been commissioned.**
- **The house was to be three bedroom – In his view there was no market for a two bedroom house on such a site**
- **He confirmed that the proposed lay by would be cut back into the grounds and low stone walls be constructed.**
- **The Committees view was that**
 1. **Conservation Area – was not affected, it was the only piece of land remaining undeveloped in the area**
 2. **trees – The trees involved are in a dangerous condition and need to be dealt with urgently**
 3. **Parking- although situated on the avenue, which has known traffic problems, the proposed lay by would clear any potential parking problems, and would not add significantly to current traffic throughput. There is already a lay by at Atherden next door.**
 4. **Building size – This was considered reasonable. The committee were not impressed by suggested two bedroom options**

- 4.2 **WD/2008/2081/F Received 3 October 2008**
APPLICANT Mr W Archer
TYPE Full
Meadow land changed in use to sand school for horse riding/training/exercise
Pern Farm, Meres Lane, Cross-In-hand Heathfield, TN21 0TZ
PARISH COUNCIL DECISION NO OBJECTION
The committee noted that the proposal seemed to be a logical addition to the
facilities provided by the farm, and that drainage issues had been taken into
account.
- 4.3 **WD/2008/2422/F Received 3 October 2008**
APPLICANT Mrs J West
TYPE Full
Remove existing garage roof and replace with roof to match house
Oakleigh, Rotherfield Lane, Mayfield, TN20 6ET
PARISH COUNCIL DECISION NO OBJECTION
Although the proposed roof is slightly higher to provide the pitch required by the
tiles, it greatly improves the existing corrugated iron construction. It was noted
that the roof trusses will be moved ready made to the site.
- 4.4 **WD/2008/2444/F Received 3 October 2008**
APPLICANT Mr and Mrs T G Wheatley
TYPE Full
Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement dwelling
Crabtree House, Meres lane, Five Ashes, TN20 6JS
PARISH COUNCIL DECISION NO OBJECTION
The committee noted that pre application advice had been taken.
There is a high pressure gas main which runs through the property, but this was
not seen to be a problem. The proposed building appeared to be in keeping with
the local area. The proposed new drive adds an impressive feature.
- 4.5 **WD/2008/2350/F Received 10 October 2008**
APPLICANT Mr Philip Hall
TYPE Full
Erection of 3 stables, hay store and tack room in an L-shaped block.
One metre retaining wall to be built along the fence line of the property.
Trulls Hatch Farm, Argos Hill, Rotherfield TN6 3QL
PARISH COUNCIL DECISION NO OBJECTION
The committee noted that there had been co operation on this project, and no
objections had been received. The purpose is to recreate a stable block which
used to be on the site and will constitute a revival of the original farm, as shown
in the Design and Access statement
- 4.6 **WD/2008/2459/F Received 17 October 2008**
APPLICANT Mr Chris Browning
TYPE Full
Demolition of porch and construction of extension to the rear and side
St Monace, Coggins Mill Lane, Mayfield TN20 6UL
PARISH COUNCIL DECISION NO OBJECTION
The Parish Council noted that since the last application the applicant has made
efforts to reduce the impact on neighbours, by reducing the size of the extension
above the garage, however a letter of objection was received after the meeting

4.7 WD/2008/2534/MAJ Received 17 October 2008

APPLICANT St Leonards Mayfield School

TYPE Full

Demolition of existing 1960s community building. Alterations to existing red brick Victorian building to provide staff flats. Chapel extension to existing red brick Victorian building to provide new boarding house and ancillary accommodation.

**St Leonards Mayfield School, The Old Palace, High Street, Mayfield TN20 6PH
PARISH COUNCIL DECISION NO OBJECTION**

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- **Some buildings are listed.**
- **The site is within the conservation area.**
- **Parking issues have been dealt with under preceding applications.**
- **It was noted that the construction was block with brick facing. This would appear to be with WDC approval**
- **There were no tree or outlook issues to be considered**

4.8 WD/2008/2536/CAC Received 17 October 2008

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5 OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 None.

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 Applications Approved (0)

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6.2 Applications Refused (0)

WDC are in agreement with PC	0
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WDC have over ridden PC advice	0
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6.3 Certificate of proposed use or development, issued by WDC – 0

6.4 Certificate of existing use or development, issued by WDC - 0

6.5 Appeal hearings – 1

WD/2008/1411/F Northdown Tree Plantation

6.6 Formal determinations – 0

6.7 Parish Council responses- 0

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.45 hrs

THE NEXT MEETING OF MAYFIELD AND FIVE ASHES PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday 17th November 2008 (Meeting 8P:11)

VENUE: London House, High Street, Mayfield

TIME: 0930 Hrs

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8P:10 FINAL (2)

Planning Meeting Dates

Meeting Number	VENUE	DATE
8 P 11	London House	November 17th
8 P 12	London House	December 8th

* Change due to Bank Holiday