Planning Committee Details of Delegated Comments December 2020

Decisions can be delegated to the Chairman (or Vice-Chairman) plus two other members if agreed by the Chairman.

The following decisions were made under delegated authority by Keith Brandon (Chairman), Tony Hall and Maria Naylor. (The Chairman has the casting vote in any tie).

WD/2020/1921/F – 3 bedroom single storey dwelling to support Peartreewell Ltd.

Peartreewell Ltd, Paygate Farm, Eastbourne Road, Uckfield TN22 5QY. https://planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=151261

The Parish Council reluctantly supports the application. They do not consider that the business case for needing a 3 bedroomed accommodation is supportive. In fact, perhaps the applicant's estimate of £100,000 for materials to build the house could be used to upgrade equipment that appears to be frequently faulty, and investment made in more reliable security measures. However, it is of a modest size and will have minimal impact on neighbouring properties or street scene.

If WDC are minded to approve this application, then PD rights should be removed and the building tied to the business.

WD/2020/2161/F – Change of use of part of site for static holiday lodges to allow 9 mobile homes to be used for full residential use. Ciderhouse Farm, Lewes Road, Blackboys TN22 5JD. <u>https://planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=151600</u>

The Parish Council supports the application in principle. If this is approved by WDC, Framfield Parish Council would wish any PD rights removed. Clarification is sought that the owners/applicant will be liable at each of the 9 lodges for council taxes and that waste removal is also accounted for from a change of use from holiday to residential usage.

WD/2020/2328/F – Erection of a detached dwelling and car barn served by improved vehicular access. Land at Simla, Framfield Road, Blackboys TN22 5LS. https://planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=151848

The Parish Council objects to this application as they did at outline stage although approved by WDC providing that the dwelling is single storey. Point 4 of the officer's report states as such, yet the proposal is actually two floors utilising dormer windows. It gives the appearance of a two-storey house and is as such. This is not in keeping and will be obtrusive to the street scene.

WD/2020/2315/F – Proposed 2 no. 2 bed detached bungalows. Squires Farm Industrial Estate, Palehouse Common, Framfield TN22 5RB.

https://planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=151834

(The Chairman did not comment on this application because the applicant is known to him).

The Parish Council objects to this application which is further over-development of this very busy trading estate. Already noise, traffic, pollution issues aplenty here giving grief on a daily basis to local residents, and to squeeze in yet more properties into this location seems just ridiculous. Just imagine how long they would take to sell in this non-residential spot!

WD/2020/0929/FR – Retrospective application to retain converted barn as ancillary accommodation to host property.

Hammonds Green Farm, Etchingwood Lane, Framfield https://planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=149799

The Parish Council objects to this application. Sadly, this applicant seems to have complete disregard for the planning process, despite many applications, including those through enforcement and retrospective submissions, especially when the complex of buildings surrounds a Grade Two Listed Building which should be of significance to the historic fabric of its curtilage. This has now long gone.

The Parish Council do not see it appropriate that a cleaner and part time handyman require to be living on site.

If WDC planning officers are minded to approve this application, it should be with PD rights removed and should be returned to its former use if the cleaner and handyman are no longer employed. Framfield Parish Council will support the recommendations of the WDC Heritage Officer.

WD/2020/0931/LDE – Use of part of existing building at Hammonds Green Farm as a utility/boiler room for Granary Cottage.

Hammonds Green Farm, Etchingwood Lane, Framfield https://planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=149801

The Parish Council reluctantly supports this application and is dismayed at the lack of planning procedure adherence that the applicants have. Yet another retrospective application albeit minor and with a statement of use for some 11 years.

Framfield Parish Council would like to see WDC planning and enforcement teams log a complete and accurate plan of this estate so that any future planning irregularities can clearly be identified. As this application is to formalise the use of a boiler, why was this not identified by building control?

WD/2020/2360/FR & WD/2020/2361/LBR - Retrospective application for the erection of close boarded fence, replacement windows and door with UPVC and replacement of guttering with UPVC fittings. Framfield Grange, Framfield, East Sussex TN22 5PN. https://planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=151888 https://planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=151889

The Parish Council objects to this application. The photographs within the application clearly show windows and doors that are plain white UPVC and not all are finished in a diamond effect glaze. However, both the plain and diamond finish windows give the appearance of a modern appearance and not reflective of material made to look authentic. This looks out of place on a building within a Grade II Listed Building curtilage and will have a negative impact on the historic fabric of the building.

With the presumption that this building had cast iron guttering originally, the black plastic replacement does offer some resemblance of its former appearance. However, clarity would be needed as to what it was prior.

If the fencing is 'like for like' replacement of the original, then this is acceptable. Framfield Parish Council will support the conclusion of the WDC Heritage Officer.

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