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TICEHURST PARISH COUNCIL

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A G E N D A

Members of Ticehurst Parish Council were summoned to attend a meeting of Ticehurst Parish Council on Tuesday 7th June 2022 at Ticehurst Village Institute at 7.00 p.m.

Planning applications for consideration (recommendations of planning committee were reported to full council) at 6.15pm

Present: Cllrs. Lloyd ©, Burley, Luckhurst, Ham and Lansdowne.

Reference	Location	Proposal
RR/2022/1224/L	Bell Hotel, High Street, Ticehurst TN5 7AS	Variation of condition 2 imposed on RR/2020/581/L to allow the removal of a bedroom lodge previously located to the rear of the restaurant to — accommodate the extension rearward of the restaurant and kitchen and internal alterations. <i>Impact on the surrounding area is unchanged and the facility would be greatly improved. The re-use of the existing barn is an excellent idea – recommendation for approval.</i>
RR/2022/1143/P	Ivy Cottage, Berners Hill, Flimwell, TN5 7NH	Two storey side and rear extension <i>This property has been extended in the past. The PC has already recommended a refusal for a previous application to extend. However, there is little impact on the immediate neighbour. Cllrs. were undecided bearing in mind the previous refusal – if this application conforms to previous advice provided by the planning officer the PC would not object.</i>
RR/2022/1103/P	The Oast, Birchetts Green Lane, Ticehurst TN5 6HS	Demolition of the existing single-storey garage, conservatory and annexe. Two-storey extension to the main house and internal alterations. Bay window to replace the existing conservatory. Reconstruction of the annexe in a new location further back in the site. Relocation of the existing entrance gates and driveway alterations. <i>Smaller than the previous application. Section 106 for the annexe to tie to the main building. It was felt that the bay will look good but is far from vernacular in detail. It was felt to be an improvement on the previous application – Recommendation for approval.</i>
RR/2022/1067/P	The White House, High Street, Ticehurst TN5 7HX	Garage conversion with associated internal alterations over both floors. New single storey extension with new external terrace. Alteration and extension to existing terrace. Window replacement throughout. <i>Concerns were expressed about the amount of glazing to the south facing south. There is no overhang to the glazing so the house could over-heat and it was felt that it would be unlikely to achieve compliance with new building regulations. The impact on the landscape and night skies could be adversely affected. It was felt to be a clash in detailing and building styles and an over development of the property. Recommendation for refusal.</i>
RR/2022/1120/P	Strakes Farm Yard, Dunsters Hill Road, Ticehurst TN5 7HL	Erection of agricultural building (Retrospective.) <i>100ft long building is proposed on a small holding which is not a viable unit as an agricultural holding and the land could not produce the amount of hay stated from the area – the amount of equipment mentioned is not detailed – not enough information has been provided. It appears to be more similar to a</i>

construction of a property – the type of roof trusses are more like house trusses rather than an agricultural building. Recommendation for refusal.

RR/2022/1036/P	Bell Hotel, High Street, Ticehurst TN5 7AS	Variation of condition 2 imposed on RR/2020/580/P to allow the removal of a bedroom lodge previously located to the rear of the restaurant to — accommodate the extension rearward of the restaurant and kitchen and internal alterations. <i>See comments for above.</i>
RR/2022/986/P	Beaumans Farmhouse, Claphatch Lane, Ticehurst TN5 6HL	Internal alterations and new glass link <i>It was felt that this was a very minor amendment to the original and not detrimental to the existing building - recommendation for approval.</i>
RR/2022/987/L	Beaumans Farmhouse, Claphatch Lane, Ticehurst TN5 6HL	Internal alterations and new glass link - <i>See above.</i>
RR/2022/900/P	Royal Oak Garage, London Road, Flimwell, TN5 7PJ	Erection of two storey front and side extension of existing building to create reception area and store. <i>Cllrs. Luckhurst and Ham declared a personal interest. The original drawings that were granted permission were flawed and un-buildable, necessitating an alteration to the original design. It was expected that a statement of need should accompany the application. Whilst the design is not attractive it follows the lead of the existing building. Recommendation for approval.</i>
RR/2022/846/P	Downash Wood Treehouses, Tinkers Lane, Ticehurst TN5 7LU	Proposed alternative siting and design of a cabin permitted under RR/2020/985/P and dedicated parking area. <i>It was felt that the drawings were not clear and the alterations being applied for need detail in order to be able to make comment. TPC has always resisted development around Bewl Water – a policy contained within the made neighbourhood plan.</i>

Up to thirty minutes were allowed at the start of the meeting for public questions and comments on relevant matters on the agenda in accordance with Standing Order 1 d. The Chairman reminded the public that they had a right and were welcome to stay and observe the rest of the meeting in accordance with Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1.

**Present: Cllrs. Burley, Ham, Killeen, Lansdowne, Lloyd, Luckhurst and Redknap.
In attendance: D. Cllrs. Barnes and Browne and C. Cllr. Kirby-Green.**

**3032.0 Adjournment for public questions and comments:
There were no members of the public in attendance**

Report on social media points raised during the last month:

Lack of a beacon lighting at the recreation ground – it had been decided by the committee that, due to limited numbers of volunteers, to concentrate on the lighting of the church beacon only.

3033.0 District and County Councillor Reports:

East Sussex: Disability Access to the village: This recurring issue had been raised again. It is unlikely that ESCC will provide and install bollards to prevent parking on the pavement. It was suggested that putting notes on parked cars asking them to be more considerate might be a route forward.

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Funding for Ukrainian Refugees £490000 funding has been distributed to 3VA, Hastings Voluntary Action and Rother Voluntary Action. 704 refugees are known to have arrived in East Sussex.

Grass Cutting: Highways grass cutting began in April and continues to November.

The Keep: Is re-opening.

Bus Service - ESCC have received an indicative funding allocation from government to improve bus services (£41,415,002). Improvements will be made to services linking rural and town communities, improvements to town centre services and reducing and simplifying fares. It was felt that Ticehurst should be ready with suggestions of how improvements could increase connectivity for the parish residents with stations and local towns.

District Council Report. Cllr. M Barnes reported that consultation on the Local Plan will be Spring 2023.

At scrutiny meeting 6.6.22 plans for Town Hall were announced providing better facilities and making it more eco-friendly. Cost indications are large: £500000 on professional fees Consultation will run for two weeks only. However, it appears that this is coming up for planning soon, perhaps prior to the planning application. Cost £15000000 million which aims to be Carbon neutral.

Bus Provision: Cllr. Barnes was asked to inquire how this area would benefit from the investment.

3034.0 Declarations of Interest: Declarations of interest under the terms of the Council's Code of Conduct and Localism Act 2011 s.31

Cllr. Luckhurst and Ham declared planning interest.

3035.0 Apologies for absence: Apologies were recorded in accordance with LGA 1972 s.85. Cllrs. Stephenson, Bassett, Galpin and Studholme had given apologies for their absence.

3036.0 Adoption of the Minutes: 3rd May 2022 draft minutes had been circulated to all members and posted on the parish council web site. Cllrs. Killeen and Ham proposed and seconded a motion that they should be adopted by the council as a correct record of those proceedings and the chairman was authorised to sign the draft minutes.

3037.0 Vacancy for councillor to represent Ticehurst to replace Liz Young.

Shirley Heapey attended the meeting having provided a CV. She briefly spoke about her career in housing service provision and housing association policy.

Cllrs. then unanimously resolved to invite her to join the council as a new member representing the Ticehurst ward. Clerk to provide her with forms.

3038.0 Village Centre : Cllr. Killeen reported:

- **Village Centre** Chairman thanked Cllr. Killeen for a good explanatory article in News and Views. It was felt that regular updates to the public are important to ensure that adverse rumours do not gather momentum, based on erroneous information.
- The group are trying to get a meeting with Coppards to discuss a s278 Design and Build scheme.

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- **High Street Imprint report ESCC Highways** felt that they had advised against the imprints on the basis of noise. This was not the case and there are no minutes substantiating this claim. EKB has asked for the spec provided to the contractors - The village centre group reported that ESCC had advised against road humps on the basis of noise but had suggested the imprints as an acceptable alternative. It was resolved to request a meeting between ESCC and the PC to discuss what was said. PC had employed Jacobs as instructed by ESCC Highways to design the scheme.
- **Update on alley/footpath resurfacing** - Cllr. Lloyd reported that the gravel boards have been put down (and some stolen) and the digger is on site – hopefully work will commence next week.

3039.0 Platinum Jubilee Celebrations: Updates were provided from each ward of the parish on their Jubilee celebrations:

Flimwell: Cllr. Redknap reported on Flimwells bring your own picnic in the hall – about 40 attendees.

Stonegate: Cllr. Burley reported that the celebrations went well, with the picnic and the lighting of the beacon.

Ticehurst: 500 – 600 people attended and enjoyed all the events. The beacon was lit at the church and not on the recreation ground which caused some adverse comment on face – book.

3040.0 Playground Inspections: Playground reports were circulated to members:

Flimwell - Cllr. Redknap reported no problems

Farthing Hill - Not inspected.

Ticehurst – Problem with broken glass on the multi-court and new skate area – Cllr. Lloyd cleared.

post installation Rospa inspection on skate park area has taken place. Report received – request meeting with Caloo emphasising that public liability remains with them until satisfactory amendments are made.

Stonegate – Cllr. Luckhurst reported that no problems had been identified.

Insurance claim external lavatories at Ticehurst – It was resolved to accept the insurance settlement fund and pass that on to the Beatrice Drewe trust on the basis that it is conditional that the block is made safe, having made an application to RDC. Cllrs. Lloyd, Killeen and clerk to draft the offer letter.

3041.0 Social Media advice and training event: No response from ESALC to date.

3042.0 Stonegate Hall – Cllr. Studholme to report at the next meeting.

3043.0 Electric Charging Points: Cllr. Studholme to report on cross country route from electricity sub-station to the car park at the July meeting.

3044.0 Wealden Computers Hawkhurst: Have expressed an interest of providing a contract price to re-establish and provide new email addresses for councillors and to provide remote and one to one computer assistance to councillors when needed. Contact numbers are 01580 388591 or hello@wealdentechnology.co.uk

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3045.0 Allotments: Allotment rents have been sent out – various changes have been mapped by Cllr. Galpin. Cllr. Lloyd reported that he has cut the overgrown hedge at the entrance to the Springfield allotments.

3046.0 Finance Report:

End of year accounts 31.3.22 have been finalised

Internal audit was cancelled – a new auditor will need to be found.

CIL money moved to deposit and the £10000 reserve to deposit.

Pavilion proposal for the wards – Discussions with Stonegate Footballers about the PC providing some funding to boost their chances of obtaining a grant from the Football Association. Hilbury CIL receipts will hopefully enable the refurbishment or replacement of many of the sporting pavilions in the parish.

Resolution to adopt the accounts and send for external audit.

Cllr. Browne to provide clerk with name of Hurst Green's internal auditor. Clerk urged that this needs to be carried out as soon as possible.

Community Grant	125.00	
Nest		160.40
To deposit account (CIL)		57696.99
BT		77.64
Locality		600.00
Rother S/0		65.00
Nest		199.64
J Brooker		295.00
Glasdon		1041.86
Annual Assembly		367.91
Lloyds Bank		7.85
Flimwell village for Jubilee		250.00
Jubilee Grant		125.00
Iden Signs		72.00
Business Stream		99.44
Tate Fencing		58.32
Corex (GHQ)		142.37
Ink cartridges		147.94
Streetlights		1520.54
One Com		223.01
Business Stream		181.24
Eon		243.52
Biffa		89.76
Clarke allotment	15.00	
Honey Barrett		39.00
Cole allotment	50.00	
Wright allotment	25.00	
Castle water		15.00

3047.0 Planning Report: Planning applications were considered at the planning meeting 6.30 pm. Cllr. Lloyd went through the recommendations made.

Bantham Farm - draft letter circulated to members to be sent to Rother District about the constant stream of execution of planning enforcement - Northern parish representation is trying to exert pressure on Rother to carry out enforcement actions to remove the buildings that have no permission and have failed at appeal. Breaches of

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planning in the area are being examined and summarised to assist Rother to take action. It was resolved to send the draft letter on behalf of Ticehurst Parish Council.

Land at Seadoxers Flimwell Over the last week, further grubbing of the site and protected tree roots has been observed - evidence to be sent to Rother.

Land at Stonegate being used off the Battenhurst Road for the storage of containers and railway coaches which might be used as accommodation - advise complainants to report to RDC.

3048.0 Policies: Updated policies circulated and dated for adoption. Cllr. Killeen requested that Neighbourhood Plan recommendations should be on each agenda to ensure that the PC are regularly taking into account the feedback provided by the public during the consultation processes. The policies were adopted by members and Cllr. Galpin was asked to put them on the web site.

3049.0 Items for the July Agenda: Vacancy for Ticehurst Ward

3050.0 Date of the next meeting: 5th July 2022

Signed.....Chairman

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