

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL'S PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE METHODIST OLD CHURCH HALL ON MONDAY 19 JANUARY 2008 AT 22.10 HOURS

PRESENT: Cllrs. R. Bearman, P. Crawford, A. Gardner (Chairman), B. Gress, D. Ireland, Mrs. J. Macdonald, D. Poole, Mrs. P. Relf & P. Street

ALSO PRESENT: Mrs. K Bell (Clerk) & 1 resident

APOLOGIES: Cllrs: J. Crowley & T. Shead

Cllr. Gardner opened the meeting and welcomed those present

1. **Declarations of Interests:** There were none

2. **Planning Applications: RESOLVED** to comment as follows to TMBC

TM/08/03508/FL Demolition of existing garage and erection to two-storey extension at 12 Golding Gardens, East Peckham
NO OBJECTION provided materials match the existing building

TM/08/03700/LB Insertion of internal lift in Bell 4 at Bell 4, The Hop Farm Country Park, Maidstone Road, Paddock Wood
NO OBJECTION

TM/08/03741/FL Erection of 4 no. 3 bedroom semi-detached dwellings with detached garages, parking and access from Hale Street at 2 Hale Street, East Peckham (Former garage site)
NO OBJECTION provided adequate measures are provided for flood mitigation and that the environmental impact study is adequate and fully conclusive.

TM/08/TEMP/0087 Variation of condition 15 of planning consent TM/98/2045/MR92 to retain current access at Arnolds Lodge Farm, East Peckham Quarry, Hale Street, East Peckham
NO OBJECTION

TM/08/03739/FL Erection of agricultural polytunnels covered with clear plastic sheeting. To include rotational tunnels and successive tunnels with no more than 175 ha (33%) of the landholding covered with tunnels in any one calendar year at Barons Place Farm, Seven Mile Lane, Mereworth (Part inside East Peckham Parish boundary)
OBJECTION on the following grounds

- Scale, mass, bulk and size of the proposed development
- Over development of land already blighted by polytunnels
- Degree of permanency of the proposed development
- The detrimental effect the development would have on the landscape, environment and wildlife
- The impact the development would have on the surrounding area
- The impact the development would have on tourism
- The area is considered to be of Special Landacape Importance

- The development would place a greater demand on water supplies, i.e. irrigation would be required
- The flooding impact, there would be more water flooding off from the land
- The land should be used to grow seasonal crops in tune with the climate

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Scoping opinion sought in respect of an environmental assessment to be submitted in relation to a proposed development being the erection of a maximum of 250 dwellings, up to a maximum, of 15,000 square metres of commercial floor space (B1 small scale/B8), the provision of a recreation area for formal sports activities to the north of Hampstead Lane and additional area of informal public open space (forming the southern boundary of the proposed development) and a dedicated area for a nature reserve at the former Syngenta Works, Hampstead Lane, Yalding.

OBJECTION on the following grounds

- The existing infrastructure would not be able to cope with the proposed size, mass, scale and bulk of the proposed development
- The proposal would introduce an increase in vehicle movements using predominantly narrow rural highways
- The proposal would introduce development to an area already at risk from flooding
- The existing rural character of Yalding would be adversely affected.
- Over development of the area

4. **Matters For Future Discussion:** There were none
5. **Date & Time of Next Meeting:** 02 February 2009 at 19.30 hours

There being no additional business, the meeting closed at 20.30 hours