

Ashurst Wood Village Council

MINUTES of a Meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held at the Village Council Meeting room, Ashurst Wood on Tuesday, 5th September 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Forbes (Chair), Bright, Bussell, Judge, Lindsay, Loveday, Phillips and Wailes
In attendance: Clerk, Caroline Leet, Cllrs Belsey and Russell and 5 members of the public

- 1. Public question time** – 5 members of the public all made representations regarding application DM/17/3060. The proposed building is extremely close to the garden of a neighbouring property which is a bungalow and the proposed building towers above it. The proposed building is far too large and not in keeping with the area. The building will be higher than the drawings show and neighbouring properties will have their outlook affected with windows of the proposed building looking into their bedrooms. There are also bats in the area which has not been reported and it is noted that there is no reference to this in the application.
- 2. Apologies for absence**
Cllr Samways - apologies were received and **resolved; the reason was accepted.**
- 3. To receive Declaration of Interests from Members in respect of any matter on the agenda** – Cllr Lindsay declared a personal interest in DM/17/3060 as a friend of the owner of a neighbouring property.
- 4. The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee held on the 1st August 2017 were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.**
- 5. Recorded Meetings:** None
- 6. Planning applications:**

DM/17/2857

Location: 42 Hammerwood Road Ashurst Wood West Sussex RH19 3TG
Description: Provide a 4 bed single storey house with a double garage and patio with water feature to the rear of the property with separate entrance and access road.

Recommend: No objection subject to information requested by Highways being supplied.

DM/17/3060

Location: Land at the Paddocks Lewes Road Ashurst Wood
Description: Proposed 4 bed detached dwelling with 3 no parking spaces, driveway and new vehicular/pedestrian access off Lewes Road. Associated landscaping including removal and replacement of trees.

Recommend: there is no objection in principle to a dwelling on the site, **but** members recommend **refusal** of the proposed development which is too large for the site and would be overdevelopment. Members were concerned that the proximity of the large willow tree to the dwelling would result in the felling of the tree and the subsequent loss of any screening between the new dwelling and The Paddocks. The proposed high fence along the boundary with The Paddocks would be unsightly. Members also consider that a garage should be included in any scheme, as failure to include one would almost certainly lead to a future application to add one.

DM/17/3222

Location: Land Parcel Junction of Hammerwood Road and Lewes Road Ashurst Wood
Description: Installation of a 17.5m high monopole incorporating 3no.shrouded antennas along with 3no. equipment cabinets and meter cabinet at ground level and development ancillary thereto.

Recommend: Approval. As previously stated, members would request conditions to restrict the pruning or felling of the surrounding trees, the monopole should be green rather than brown and, if practical, the cabinets should be screened by hedges or shrubs.

7. To receive notification of planning decisions: DM/17/0658 – Proposed development of: a new artificial sports pitch; ancillary training area; terraced spectator area – Brambletye School, Lewes Road – Permission GRANTED. DM/17/2315 – Single storey pitched roof side extension – Grove Farm Barn, Cansiron Lane – Permission – GRANTED. DM/17/2302 – Single storey pitched roof side extension – Permission – GRANTED. DM/17/2757 – Two storey side addition and full width rear single storey extension – Broadwater, Lewes Road – Permission – GRANTED.

8. Correspondence: none

9. Any items for reporting or inclusion on future agenda:

Meeting Closed at: 8.07pm

Chairman.....

Dated: