

Fairlight Parish Council Planning Committee – 16th June 2015
Notes of Meeting

Present: Councillors S. Leadbetter (Chairman), A. Mier, Mrs C. Gallagher, Mrs J. Annetts.

Apologies for Absence - Revd V. Gibbs, Lyn Cooke (applicant).

1) Code of Conduct and Disclosure of Interests:

None

2) Planning Applications

Planning Application – RR/2015/1289/P
72 Lower Waites Lane, Fairlight TN35 4DD

Existing bungalow ground floor extension and loft conversion together with the erection of a detached garage with home office over.

Councillors discussed the application and had no major concerns. The question was raised about whether the proposed rear dormer window overlooking the rear garden of the adjoining property may create a problem.

Parish Council comments to be:

- 1)The property known as The Ark shown on the block plan no longer exists due to cliff erosion requiring its demolition.
- 2)It is stated that storm water drainage will discharge to the existing system. We would wish to clarify that this means either into the Lower Waites Lane stream or the main drainage system.
- 3)Planners need to consider whether the proposed dormer window on the southern elevation would overlook the garden of the adjoining property to an unreasonable degree.
- 4)Any comments made by residents of adjoining properties should be taken into account.

3) Neighbourhood Plan

The Chairman reminded members that a meeting had been arranged with the Action in Rural Sussex (AIRS) Consultant at 2.30pm on Wednesday 24th June.

He emphasised that the work involved in developing a Neighbourhood Plan would need to be shared and could not be left to a very small number of people.

He suggested that the key things for the first meeting would be:

- Arranging service of a notice on Rother together with a map of the area covered.
- Inviting relevant organisations such as the FPT and FRA to involve themselves in the core group and arranging to brief the core group on what is required.
- Setting a skeleton work programme identifying tasks, resources and timescales
- Other issues as identified by the Consultant.

Councillors agreed – Chairman to draft agenda.

4) Any Other Business

The Finches – Drainage

Councillors discussed the continuing surface water drainage problems and lack of clarity of the plans. Councillor Mier will write to Tim Hickling, Head of Planning, to seek clarification of the current position.

Knowle Wood

Clarity to be sought from East Sussex CC to establish whether the footpath through the wood could still be declared as a public right of way. A resident of Broadway may be able to give advice on the process.

Robin's Holt

The Chairman advised that the unauthorised structure in the front garden had been removed by the owner.

Meeting closed at 3.30pm

5) Date and Venue of Next Meeting

Tuesday 28th June 2015 at 2.30pm in Fairlight Village Hall, subject to confirmation.