

Ditchling Parish Council

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held in the Lower Hall, Ditchling Village Hall on Monday 13 March 2017 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs.McBeth (Chair), Madden (Mrs), Madden (Mr), Jones, Robinson, Orme, Guggenheim, Keeley and the Clerk, Mrs M. Warner.

Public Participation:

There were two members of the public present

1. Declarations of Interest: None
2. Apologies for absence Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs Smith and Leaver (holiday), and Cllr Ingham (working).
3. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27th February having been circulated, were **agreed** as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.
4. Planning Applications
 - 4.1 SDNP/17/00825/FUL | Erection of stables, hay barn, turnout corral and sand school for private equestrian use | Newtons Spatham Lane Westmeston **No Comment**
 - 4.2 SDNP/17/00954/HOUS | Proposed single storey side extension | 27 Long Park Corner Ditchling **No Comment**
 - 4.3 LW/17/0139 Clappers Janes Lane Wivelsfield, Erection of six stables including tack and food area, wash area and hay store **No Comment**
 - 4.4 SDNP/17/01024/FUL Stocks Farm Spatham Lane Westmeston. Erection of cattle building and installation of earth-bunded outdoor silage clamp and farmyard manure store. **No Comment**
5. Consideration of the feasibility study at Eastons, Standing Orders were suspended to allow Mr Ellis to explain the scheme. Two small cottages would be constructed suitable for younger people or residents wishing to downsize. The existing derelict property would be reinstated. The boundary wall with East Gardens would be re-instated and neighbours would be consulted regarding materials. There would be no access to East Gardens. The immediate area displays very different building styles and materials with tiles, flint, slate and clapboard. The site would be cleared of the existing rubble and rubbish, some of which has low levels of lead, and the ground level would reduce by up to a metre. Paving in the courtyard would be permeable to reduce run- off. One Yew tree would remain. Standing orders were resumed.
6. Consideration of the decision notice in respect of planning application SDNP/16/05154/FUL. Change of use of land to provide one rugby pitch for Ditchling Rugby Club. The chairman referred to the extensive list of planning conditions issued by the SDNP. Standing orders were suspended to allow representations from the chair of the Ditchling Society. There was no requirement in the conditions that all construction works traffic should access the site via Clayton Road. It was understood that the SDNP may not be able to monitor the conditions fully. Standing orders were resumed. It was noted that the SDNP would be responsible for monitoring of planning conditions and Lewes District Council also has enforcement officers. It was noted that all conditions must be met before the site can be used for rugby matches. However, the applicant can apply to vary individual conditions.
7. Proposed base station at Folders Lane. It was **agreed** that the revised proposed site was acceptable.
8. To review the planning application for the proposed new village car park it was **agreed** that the planning application be submitted.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Chairman

27 March 2017