

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PLAISTOW AND IFOLD'S PLANNING COMMITTEE

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 December 2013 commencing at 7.30pm in WINTERTON HALL

* Present	<u>Committee Chairman</u>	* Councillor John Kirby (C)
	<u>Councillors</u>	* Councillor Ronnie Perrin
		* Councillor Stuart East (as Council Chairman)
		Councillor David Lugton
		Councillor Vivien Forwood
		* Councillor Sallie Baker
		* Councillor David Ribbens

16/13) REPRESENTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC

Cllr F Lillywhite attended as a member of the public and gave a short representation on the issue of fracking and asked how the PC intended to react to any proposals within the parish. The chairman stated that he would touch on this issue in his report.

17/13) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apology received from Cllr Lugton. No other apologies received.

18/13) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary interests in relation to any items included on the agenda in accordance with **THE LOCALISM ACT 2011** and the **Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012**.

19/13) MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed as a true record.

20/13) MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

None

21/13) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The committee chairman referred to the issue of fracking and it was noted that communities involved could receive up to £100k as a result of exploration work. Cllr S Burrell who was also in the gallery requested to speak to the chairman as she stated that the money goes directly to CDC and it was not a foregone conclusion that the money would filter through. The chairman went on to say that WSCC had been concerned about the increase in traffic in surrounding villages but that currently, with no foreseen plans of fracking within the parish, these problems should not affect Plaistow and Ifold.

It was further noted that the original fracking plans had recommended that no exploration work would be within a 10m radius of another and that it was not possible to drill within 400yds of another site.

Council chairman, Cllr S East explained that these exploration works were commonplace at sea and the only issue that concerns local residents is the fact that the drilling is on land. He further stated that the boreholes drill down to at least 3,000ft. The committee chairman, Cllr J Kirby highlighted that earthquakes were known to affect areas that were under exploration.

It was noted that a public meeting will take place on the 31st of January 2014 but that it was only open to residents of Kirdford and Wisborough Green.

It was **AGREED** that the PC will monitor developments and that concerns will be addressed.

22/13) CROUCHLANDS

The chairman spoke of Crouchlands and his attempts to raise concerns with the assistant management enforcement team. It was again noted that there are now 5 mobile homes on the site along with the bio-digesters and that at Hardnips Barn, works on two properties are now being undertaken.

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Cllr R Perrin spoke of continuing concerns over the increase of unapproved caravans on the site. It was further noted that, despite the efforts of the PC, CDC were not taking action.

It was suggested that when a residents complains, the PC will request that they contact CDC, EHO and Highways independently in order to show the number of complaints.

ACTION: Clerk to speak with Reg Hawks at CDC enforcement again.

23/13 STRUDGEWICK

It was stated by the committee chairman that enforcement are aware of the ongoing breach. It was noted that since selling the pig sty, the building of the unapproved new property was well underway.

To the best knowledge of the PC, enforcement are yet to visit.

24/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

13/03803/DOM **Objection on the following grounds: The proposed application is designed badly and is not in keeping with the rural area. Concerns also raised regarding sightlines due to the position of the fence.**

Melrose Plaistow Road Ifold Loxwood Billingshurst West Sussex RH14 0TU

Revision of approved application PS/12/04549/DOM to enlarge height of front porch.

13/03811/DOM **NO OBJECTION**

Woodlands Glade Durfold Wood Plaistow
Billingshurst RH14 0PL

Extensions and alterations to existing bungalow.

13/03812/FUL **Objection on the following grounds: Concerns raised over parking access and loss of sightlines. Further concerns also raised regarding overdevelopment, no dimensions displayed on the plans and that the proposal is out of keeping with the surrounding area.**

Oak Tree Stores Plaistow Road Loxwood Billingshurst RH14 0SZ

Extensions to shop to create a self-contained unit. Part of attached house, currently used for shop purposes, to be returned to habitable accommodation. House to be divided into three habitable units.

13/03721/DOM **NO OBJECTION**

The Barton Shillinglee Road Shillinglee Chiddingfold Godalming Surrey GU8 4SY

Removal of existing corrugated metal pole barn (existing materials for reuse where possible) and construction of a Sussex Style Barn.

25/13 Decisions

Noted

Date of next Meeting - 8 January 2014

Meeting closed - 8.05pm

Mrs REBECCA KNIFTON ACILEx

Clerk

Chairman:.....

Dated: