

**Planning Committee**  
**Minutes of a Meeting held at 7.30 pm on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

Present: Mr Salisbury (Chairman), Mr Gregory, Mr Blanch  
In Attendance: Mrs Jones (Clerk), Mrs Macintyre

- 266. Apologies for absence** were received from Mrs King & Mrs Burgess
- 267. Declarations of Interest** There were no declarations of interest regarding any items on the agenda.
- 268. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting** The minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2009 were taken as read and confirmed as a true record.
- 269. Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) Report**

The Chairman had obtained, from the District Council, up-to-date copies of the sites that had so far been put forward by landowners and developers for housing in Cuckfield for the period to 2026. The document did not make decisions and would be updated on a regular basis but it did indicate potential sites. Cuckfield had been selected as a settlement that could take some further housing and development was inevitable. Members agreed with the District Council that the two sites (Nos 65 & 240) to the north of the bypass were “not currently developable” on the grounds that the sites were “unsuitable for development due to access difficulties, lack of connectivity/relation to Cuckfield, potential impact on the setting of several Listed Buildings (including Grade I Church) and adjoined conservation area” and that “new housing development will be damaging to landscape quality”. It was unclear as to why site 214 on the by-pass had been included as it was considered that the same criteria should apply. It was also noted that site nos 11 (land behind Hatchgate Lane and site 63 (land off Tylers Green) were not considered suitable for current development. Site 63 “would push built up area boundary out towards Haywards Heath and contribute towards coalescence between the two settlements” and site 11 “ would represent an incongruous encroachment into a valley in which the site is prominently located. Furthermore the site is rural in character, with tree buffers along the south of the site ensure that it feels detached from the built form of settlement”. Very careful consideration would need to be given to the sites off Bylanes and Ardingly Road. It was agreed that the current position of the SHLAA be noted and that public comment on these sites was awaited. A further meeting to be held once the sites had been submitted in May.

**270. Planning Applications**

08/03748/ADV: Co-op - 1 fascia sign & 09/00018/LBC: Co-op - Upgrade external facework  
These were considered to be an improvement on the previous signage and the applications were supported by the Committee

09/00476/FUL: 3 Halleighs Whitemans Green - Rear/side single storey extension.  
No objections

09/00576/FUL - 1 Callender Walk - Conservatory on rear elevation  
No objections

09/00674/FUL: 3 The Hardings, London Lane - Minor demolition & single storey side & rear extension  
No objections

**271. Planning Decisions Received from the District Council**

The list of decisions to be circulated by the clerk. - please see attached.

09/00004/FUL: Paddocks End, Tylers Green

Proposed orangery, detached garage & replace existing flat roof over existing garage with new pitched roof.  
Object. Location of new detached garage is in front of the building line. No objections to orangery or replacement roof on existing garage

Permission

09/00050/FUL: Longacre Farm Ardingly Road : Conversion of redundant farm buildings to form a separate unit of residential accommodation including vehicular access improvements.

Permission

09/00294/LBC: Maltmans North High Street

Ground Floor Rear Extension extending to rear less than 3.0m

No objections

Permission

09/00375/C3REG: Warden Park School

Proposed erection of a 2 no. 10m x 10m PVC-coated polyester fabric canopies to the rear playground of school

No objections.

Permission

09/00525/FUL: Yew Cottage Tylers Green

Construct two storey side extension with related internal alterations

No objections

Permission

09/00534/TCON: 21 Bylanes Close Whitemans Green - Fell and replace one Oak.

Tree was in full leaf last year and is an important feature in the locality. PC does not consider the tree should be felled

Permission

**END**