

CRANBROOK & SISSINGHURST PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 19TH APRIL 2016

Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying:

Members are required to declare any interests, dispensations, predetermination or lobbying on items on this agenda. Members are reminded that changes to the Register of Interests should be notified to the Clerk.

Present: Cllr. Bunyan (in the Chair), Cllrs. Cook & Rook

Apologies: Cllrs. Fermor, Kemp & Smith

16/502213/FULL

Quaif Cottage, Quaker Lane, Cranbrook

Demolition of existing detached garage and erection of single storey extension to rear of dwelling to incorporate new garage.

The Parish Council recommends APPROVAL subject to the views of the Conservation Architect.

Proposed by Cllr. Cook, seconded by Cllr. Rook and agreed.

16/502246/FULL

Garages, Frythe Walk, Cranbrook

Demolition of existing garages and the erection of three dwellings with associated amenity and 6 parking spaces.

The Parish Council recommends APPROVAL subject to the proviso that the proposed bin storage is adequate with sufficient space for a minimum of two bins per household. Members felt the aesthetics of the front elevation could also be improved.

Proposed by Cllr. Rook, seconded by Cllr. Bunyan and agreed.

16/502745/FULL

Deacons, High Street, Cranbrook

Erection of a single storey rear extension and related works, internal works including raising the roof to the existing single storey rear extension.

The Parish Council recommends APPROVAL subject to the views of the Conservation Architect.

Proposed by Cllr. Bunyan, seconded by Cllr. Rook and agreed.

16/502629/LBC

Little Course Horn Farm, Course Horn Lane, Cranbrook

Listed Building Consent – To form a new door opening to link the breakfast room with the extension. To form open screen between kitchen and breakfast room. To remove bathroom fitting and partitions in the extension and form new cloakroom. To form new en-suite bathroom at F.F.L. within an existing room with new door opening to bedroom. To form new room in roof space with new oak framed partitions. To strip the existing roof tiles and defective battens to re-tile stripped roof with sheet insulation material and internal lining all as detailed. To remove paint and stain from exposed oak framing with a poultice procedure using peel away 7 or similar approved. Stripped of existing wall tile hanging and replacement with new matching tiling and insulation introduced within oak framing.

The Parish Council made a NEUTRAL recommendation, Members felt the application should be referred to the Conservation Architect for a decision.

Proposed by Cllr. Cook, seconded by Cllr. Bunyan and agreed.

16/502251/FULL & 16/502252/LBC

Haylseden Cottage, The Common, Sissinghurst

Single storey side extension and internal alterations.

Cllr. Bunyan declared an interest in this application, as a neighbouring property. As this would leave the voting to two Members it was decided to defer the application to the next meeting.

16/502550/FULL

1 and 2 Folly Hill Farm Cottages, Folly Hill, Cranbrook

Demolition of an existing single storey rear extension, rear chimney and various outbuildings. Conversion, alteration and renovation of existing cottages to form a single dwelling together with erection of a one and a half storey side extension, a single storey rear extension, first dormer windows, hard landscaping, a driveway extension, two car parking spaces and an access gate.

The Parish Council recommends APPROVAL. Members felt the front elevation could be improved by the use of a similar bond to the existing with lime mortar and the substitution of the 'over fussy' Edwardian style windows proposed to the sliding box sash type window more in keeping with the original.

Proposed by Cllr. Bunyan, seconded by Cllr. Rook and agreed.

16/503109/FULL

Heather Cottage, Sissinghurst Road, Sissinghurst

Proposed single storey rear extension.

The Parish Council recommends APPROVAL.

Proposed by Cllr. Rook, seconded by Cllr. Cook and agreed.

DECISIONS:

Cllr. Bunyan read out the decisions recently downloaded from the Planning Portal. She was concerned that some applications that she knew we had considered, stated on the Portal that the Parish Council had not submitted any comment. The Deputy Clerk confirmed there had been some technical issues with the Portal recently so the Clerk had emailed the comments directly to the Case Officer.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:

Cllr. Bunyan reported some proposed changes to Tunbridge Wells Planning Committee regarding the level of Members and the remit of the Committee in regard to the way in which applications are presented to Committee and decisions reached.