

Minutes

A meeting of **Halstead Parish Council Planning Committee** was held at **The Pavilion, Station Road, Halstead TN14 7DH** commencing at **8pm on Monday, 05 June 2023** to transact the under mentioned business, which Councillors are summoned to attend.

Present: Cllr Peel, Cllr Marshall, Cllr Ridout, Cllr Gardner, Clerk Jenkins. Former Cllr Halliday present to offer guidance and experience.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Wilkinson

2. Declarations of interest.

Cllr Peel declared a personal interest in Stonehouse Farm, Stonehouse Lane and Crendon Cottage, Otford Lane.

Cllr Marshall declared a personal interest in Stonehouse Farm, Stonehouse.

3. To elect a Chair of the Planning Committee.

Cllr. Ridout proposed as Chair of the Planning Committee and seconded. Cllr. Ridout accepted the nomination.

4. Agree the Terms of Reference for the Committee. TOR discussed and agreed.

5. Minutes of previous meetings (20th April 2023): Approved and signed by Cllr. Ridout (Chair)

6. Public participation forum. One parishioner present

7. Applications to consider

- a. [23/01255/FUL](#) | Demolition of two dwellings, existing outbuildings and hardstanding's with the replacement by 2 no. dwellings and the creation of 5 no. new dwellings with associated car parking, addition of passing bay and landscaping. | **Stonehouse Farm Stonehouse Lane Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7HH**

HPC strongly object to this application on the following grounds

- This is Green Belt land.
- The farmhouse is of historical significance as it is one of the earliest properties within the village. This is a property of character and charm, dating back to circa 1700.
- Stonehouse Lane is a single traffic lane, the addition of 7 new properties, could potentially increase traffic to 14 new vehicles where there are currently 2.
- The entrance to the current property is narrow and tree lined.
Car use is essential as the mentioned bus stop is no longer serviced by buses

- b. [23/01275/FUL](#) | Conversion of the barn to a dwelling and erection of additional dwelling. | **Land South Of Crendon Cottage Otford Lane Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7EF**

HPC strongly object to this application on the following grounds

- This is an application to increase a site from 1 to 3 properties on Green Belt land.
- Otford Lane is a narrow country lane with poor visibility when entering and exiting the proposed site.
- There are no public transport links available apart from the R5 and R10 from the centre of the village.

The proposed new building is a larger dwelling than the conversion of the barn.

- c. [23/01037/HOUSE](#) | Single storey rear extension with rooflights. | **32 Watercroft Road Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7DP**

- HPC have no objection to this application

8. Applications decisions noted

Granted

- a. [23/00896/CONVAR](#) | Removal of condition 5 (storage and disposal of manure) of 23/00102/FUL for change of use for part of garden for equestrian use. | **Land Adjoining Cadlocks Cadlocks Hill Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7DU**
- b. [23/00746/HOUSE](#) | Installation of a small smart meter booster antenna to the eastern gable wall of the dwelling. | **The Village House Church Road Halstead Kent TN14 7HF**

Withdrawn

- c. [22/00233/FUL](#) | Erection of storage and estate maintenance building. | **Land South Of The Village House Church Road Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7HF**

Appeal Dismissed

Appeal to Officer of Secretary of State dismissed

[22/01845/HOUSE](#) | Demolition of the side and rear extensions as well as a conservatory to construct a single storey rear infill extension to square off the property and a hip to gable roof alteration including raising the ridge height to incorporate a rear dormer extension. | **Hawthorndale Knockholt Road Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7ET**

Meeting closed at 21.35.