

Minutes

A meeting of **Halstead Parish Council Planning Committee** was held at **The Pavilion, Station Road, Halstead TN14 7DH** commencing at **1pm on Friday, 08 December 2023** to transact the under mentioned business, which Councillors are summoned to attend.

Present : Cllr Ridout (Chair), Cllr Peel, Cllr Gardner, Clerk Jenkins

1. **Apologies for absence:** None
2. **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Peel noted a family friendship with owners of Agenda item 5c.
3. **Minutes of previous meetings 10th November:** Approved and signed by Cllr Ridout (Chair)
4. **Public participation forum:** None present.
5. **Applications to consider.**
 - a. [23/O3418/ADJ](#) | Removal of Condition 2 of planning permission 16/05061/RECON dated 18 October 2021 (for Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 16/05061/FULL1 (dated 6 February 2017 for material change of use of land for siting of caravans for residential use for occupation by gypsy travellers with an amenity block, septic tank, hard standing, re-profiling of land and boundary fence) to allow the continued Use and development of the land to allow for the permanent use of the site for 2 Gypsy and traveller pitches. | **Land Adjacent To Knockholt Railway Station North North Side Sevenoaks Road Halstead**

HPC strongly object to the removal of condition 2 of planning permission. HPC feel it is inappropriate development on Green Belt land. The land is bounded by a Public Right of Way (PROW) and has caused distress with walkers using the PROW.

- b. [23/O3003/HOUSE](#) | Two storey side extension with new rear part covered terraced area. Alteration to fenestration. | **Stonestack Stonehouse Lane Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7HH**

HPC have no objection as long as it is within the Green Belt Policy of no more than a 50% increase in footprint. HPC would like to ensure that any materials used are in keeping with the Village Design Statement (2006) i.e. flint and clapboard.

- c. [23/O1255/FUL](#) | Demolition of one dwelling, existing outbuildings and hardstanding and the creation of six new dwellings with associated car parking, addition of passing bay and landscaping. Retention of existing farm house. | **Stonehouse Farm Stonehouse Lane Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7HH**

HPC object to this applications on the following grounds:

- This is Green Belt land.

- Stonehouse Lane is a single traffic lane, the addition of 6 new properties and 1 existing could potentially increase traffic to 14 or more vehicles, where there are currently 2.
- The entrance to the property is narrow and tree lined.
- Car use is essential as the mentioned bus stop is no longer serviced by busses and the nearest bus stop is on the A21.

Decisions noted:

Granted

- d. [23/02671/HOUSE](#) | Proposed crossover and dropped kerb. | **Plot 1 Deer Leap Stud Farm Knockholt Road Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7ER**
- e. [23/02611/HOUSE](#) | Erection of a double storey side extension with a new roof adjoining the existing roof and erection of a rear dormer to create loft room | **Cramond Sevenoaks Road Halstead Kent TN14 7HP**

Refused

- f. 23/02716/FUL | Demolition of barn and construction of one dwelling and associated works. | Land South Of Crendon Cottage Otford Lane Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7EF.
- g. Tree work (No statutory requirement to publish, for information purposes only) T23/03262/WTCA | T1: Horse chestnut dismantle entire tree to near fence level. | **The Spinney Cottage Knockholt Road Halstead Sevenoaks Kent TN14 7EX**

Date of next meeting: Monday 8th January 6.30pm

SDC Local Plan 2040 to be discussed and HPC Enforcement Strategy to be included on Agenda.

Meeting closed : 1.30pm