

ANSTY AND STAPLEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the Meeting of Ansty and Staplefield Parish Council held in **Ansty Village Hall** on **Monday 10th June 2019** at 7:30pm.

Present: Brad Williams (Chairman), Bob Birthwright, Crispin Salimbeni, Maria Fielding, John Gilley, Dhana Mahendran, Simon Stokes, Peter Bushell.

Also present: Liz Bennett (Clerk), Pete Bradbury (MSDC and WSCC Councillor), one member of the public.

Public Session.

An Ansty resident spoke regarding his proposals for his 8-acre field. He is proposing a family home with approximately 2 acres of garden and 5 or 6 acres of vineyard. The grapes would be sold to a winemaker and it would be a sustainable use for the field. The planning application not yet been submitted. The resident also asked how he could support the Ansty Village Centre. The Chairman thanked him for attending and explained that procedures would need to be followed and that the Parish Council will consider the planning application once it is before them.

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted from James Steadman.

2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

Jon Gilley and Crispin Salimbeni declared that they are Parish Council nominated members of Ansty Village Centre CIO.

Simon Stokes declared that he is a Parish Council nominated members of Ansty Village Hall Trust.

Peter Bushell declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 5b.

All other member interests are shown in their Register of Interests.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 13th May 2019.

The minutes were AGREED and signed by the Chairman.

4. Planning decisions.

The following planning decisions were noted:

- a) DM/19/0952 Description: insertion of roof lights to front and rear and window to side, to form habitable accommodation in existing loft space. Replace windows. Replace cladding. Roof addition to single storey element with addition of new roof light. Extensions to driveway. Location: 3 Mount Noddy, Cuckfield Road, Ansty. Granted.
- b) DM/19/1147 and DM/19/1154 Location: Broxmead Farm Broxmead Lane Cuckfield Haywards Heath. Application withdrawn

- c) DM/18/5130 Description: outline application for the demolition of the existing dwelling and barn and replacement with three new dwellings. All matters reserved except for access, appearance, layout and scale. Location: Oaktree Farm, Burgess Hill Road, Ansty. Granted.
- d) DM/19/1431 Description: external boiler and housing on front elevation. LOCATION: 2 Barnhall Cottages, Cuckfield Road, Staplefield. Granted Listed Building Consent.
- e) DM/19/1422 Description: two-storey rear extension to main house. Roof alterations and conversion of loft space above detached garage to form ancillary accommodation. Associated internal and external alterations. Location: Crabtree, Copyhold Lane, Cuckfield. Granted.

5. Planning applications.

- a) DM/19/1443 Application Type: Full Application Proposal: Conversion of an existing outbuilding into a dwelling house, with an existing carport/storage building to serve the proposed dwelling, associated landscaping and continued use of existing access. Site Address: Bridge Farmhouse, Cuckfield Road, Burgess Hill. The Parish Council object to this application which would create a new house in the countryside.
- b) DM/19/1798 Application Type: Householder Application Proposal: Single storey rear extension to enlarge existing kitchen, new fenestration to staircase oriel window. Site Address: Dove House, Sparks Lane, Cuckfield. Peter Bushell declared his interest and left the room for the duration of this item. No objection.
- c) DM/19/1553 Application Type: Full Application Proposal: Demolition of existing detached bungalow and erection of replacement detached single dwelling. Site Address: Great Thorndean, Farm Cottage, Slough Green Lane. No objection.
- d) DM/19/1804 Application Type: Removal/Variation of Condition Proposal: Variation of condition 2 of DM/18/0158 to submit drawings amending the garage and porch design. Site Address: Cleavers Cottage South, Cleavers Lane. No objection.
- e) DM/19/1974 Application Type: Lawful Development Certificate -Proposed Proposal: Proposed additional fencing along the boundary between main entrance and the area around Ivy Cottage (no higher than 2m). This is an application to establish whether the development is lawful. This will be a legal decision where the planning merits of the proposed use cannot be taken into account. Site Address: Borde Hill Garden, Borde Hill Lane. Noted.
- f) DM/19/0964 Application Type: Full Application Proposal: Alterations and additions to club house including removal of conservatory and proposed extensions to the side and rear elevations, extension of terrace to North side and provision of a 2 bed-erection of groundskeepers barn. Revised drawings and planning statement with detail of ground levelling received 10th April. (Additional information received 20/5 and kitchen extraction details received 24/5 and 4/6). Site Address: Cuckfield Golf Course, Staplefield Road, Cuckfield. The Parish Council made the same objections to this application as they made to the original application i.e. it will have a severe adverse impact on the AONB and disturb iconic views. The proposed new building appears to be disproportionately large for a golf club and its use is unclear. The residential element of the application is contrary to the Neighbourhood Plan. The enlarged clubhouse and new storage facility will increase traffic movements and create noise disturbance for the nearby properties. Building work appears to have

started.

6. Update on Mobile Speed Indicator Device.

Three volunteers have been recruited from Staplefield, two from Brook Street, two from Sandrocks, and one from Ansty. The proposed location has been agreed for Staplefield and permission is being sought. Locations still need to be agreed for the other areas. Delivery of the SID is expected in the last week of June and it is hoped that training can be delivered in the first week of July. The Clerk will try to recruit a second volunteer from Ansty. The Clerk was also asked to arrange for Sussex Police to talk about Community Speedwatch.

7. Traffic from Burgess Hill Northern Arc.

The Clerk and Pete Bradbury met with the transport team which includes representatives from AECOM, WSCC and MSDC in order to understand the rationale behind the anticipated net reduction in traffic on the B2036 that will occur in 2033 with the Northern Arc compared to projected traffic levels without the Northern Arc. The proposed East – West road that crosses the B2036 will take priority over the B2036 to discourage traffic from travelling north through the villages. Pete suggested that traffic lights here would help with the prioritisation and the team have agreed to investigate this. They were also asked to look at the impact of the development on the Cuckfield Road that runs from Goddards Green to Ansty. A minor upgrade to the A2300 and A23 junction is proposed but Pete has asked WSCC to speak to the Department of Transport about a major upgrade to help prevent bottlenecks forming.

The transport team have agreed to meet with A&SPC and Cuckfield Parish Council to discuss the traffic issues at the end of the summer.

8. Finances.

The financial report showing the schedule of payments, receipts, and bank reconciliation was AGREED and signed by the Chairman.

9. Ansty Village Centre update.

Pete Bradbury is meeting with representatives from MSDC on Wednesday to gain their support for the project.

10. Staplefield play park and Staplefield pavilion.

Another quote has been received for Staplefield Play park resurfacing. It was agreed that as some of the equipment is also quite old it would not be sensible to do the resurfacing at this stage. The clerk was asked to email Pete Bradbury to ask for his suggestions for overhauling the play park.

Crispin and the Clerk will chase the man who has agreed to do some work at the pavilion.

11. Fingerpost repairs and alignment of the Ansty fingerpost.

The contractor sent pictures showing that three of the signs have been prepared and are ready for installation in drier weather. The Chairman noticed that “Cuckfield” has been

spelt incorrectly on one of the posts, which the Clerk will take up with the contractor.

The PC has received a complaint from the owner of the garage in Ansty who has said that the fingerpost on the roundabout is not at the right angle and that some people think that the small road between the car wash and the houses is the road to Cuckfield. It was agreed that the best solution is to place a sign at the entrance to the maintenance garage for the road which says "Access to garage only" or similar. The Clerk will research signs.

12. Reports from meetings attended, not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

None received.

13. Reports from County and District Councils.

Pete Bradbury reported that his items have been covered elsewhere on the agenda.

14. Chairman's Correspondence.

None received.

15. Minor matters and items for the next agenda.

- a) **Katy Bourne OBE.** The Chairman will write to Katy Bourne, who is a former Parish Councillor, to congratulate her on her OBE.
- b) **PC passwords.** The Clerk gave envelopes to the Chairman and Vice Chairman containing the passwords for the Parish Council laptops and phone.
- c) **Planning control.** The Clerk was asked to report some potential issues to planning control following receipt of some complaints.

MEETING CLOSED

DRAFT AGENDA SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION

Ansty and Staplefield Parish Council Finances 10th June 2019

Payments for approval

	Ref	Description	Amount
TalkTalk	20	Phone	39.00
EDF Energy	21	Pavilion electricity	19.00
Castle Water	22	Pavilion water	8.76
Horsham Pest Control	23	Pavilion mice	95.00
Staplefield Village Hall	24	Room hire	22.50
SSALC	25	LCR magazine subscription	34.00
Elizabeth Bennett	26	Expenses	27.08
WSCC	27	Salaries	1996.68

Receipts in May

	Ref	Description	Amount
Sunday Seconds cricket club	F	Cricket match	116.10
GoCardless	G	Mobile SID crowdfunding receipts	2200.82
Copthorne Cricket Club	H	Cricket match	116.10
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Ansty and Staplefield Parish Council: Bank Reconciliation

31st May 2019

Bank		Cashbook	
Current Account	57203.52	Balance forward	71067
Deposit Account	54957.9	Receipts	44669.24
	112161.42	less payments	-6600.21
Less unpaid transactions			
Castle Water	-8.76		
Peter J	-100.1		
WSCC	-1996.68		
Staplefield VH	-7.5		
Symes Trees	-875		
E Bennett	-37.35		
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Signed by Chairman of Parish Council meeting 10th June 2019