

ANSTY AND STAPLEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the Meeting of Ansty and Staplefield Parish Council held by Zoom on 8th March 2021 at 7:30pm.

Members present: Brad Williams (Chairman), Bob Birthwright, Crispin Salimbeni, Maria Fielding, Nuala Hampshire, Dhana Mahendran, James Steadman, Jon Gilley, Simon Stokes.
Also present: Liz Bennett (Clerk), one member of the public.

1. Chairman's introduction and guidance for online meetings.

Brad opened the meeting.

2. Public Session.

A member of the public spoke regarding planning application DM/21/0005 at Meadow Wood, Brook Street. This is for a single dwelling which will replace an old stable block. It is in a sustainable location and there are no highways or access issues. The Parish Council was asked to approve the application.

3. Apologies for absence.

All members were present.

4. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

Nuala Hampshire declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 7h DM/21/0005 because she and her husband are the applicants. Bob Birthwright declared a personal interest in agenda item 7c DM/20/4033 because he knows the applicants. Brad Williams declared a personal interest in agenda item 7b DM/20/4139 because he knows the applicant. Crispin declared that he no longer has an interest in Fairways, Cuckfield Road, Staplefield which is the subject of agenda item 7a. The property is no longer owned by his family.

5. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th February 2021.

The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting were AGREED.

6. Planning decisions.

The following decisions were noted:

- a. DM/20/0620 Location: Rookery Farm Development Site Rocky Lane, Haywards Heath. Application withdrawn.
- b. DM/20/4107. Description: variation of condition 12 of reserved matters application DM/20/3263 - alter the currently approved planning drawings following a redistribution of car parking bays for plot 244. Location: Rookery Farm Development Site, Rocky Lane, Haywards Heath. Granted.
- c. DM/20/3670. Description: proposed detached cart shed garage and garden log store to replace an existing outbuilding. Location: Legh Manor, Cuckfield Road, Ansty, Haywards Heath. Granted.
- d. DM/20/3763. Description: two storey side extension. Amended plans received 21.12.2020 showing reduction in length of extension. Location: Moorfields Farm Cottage, Broxmead Lane, Cuckfield. Granted.
- e. DM/20/4710. Description: single storey rear/side extension. Location: Inholmes

- House, Bolney Road, Ansty, Haywards Heath. Granted.
- f. DM/20/4591 Description: existing central ridge raised to create first floor accommodation. Proposed two storey front porch and single storey rear extension. Internal modifications and alterations. Description amended 26.01.2021 to include detached garage building forward of house. Location: Green Acres, Deaks Lane, Ansty. Granted.
 - g. DM/21/0196. Description: variation of condition 2 of planning permission dm/20/3978 to replace approved plans to allow alterations in design to accommodate revised staircase. Location: Oakfield House, Deaks Lane, Cuckfield. Granted.
 - h. DM/20/2718. Description: conversion and alterations to detached garage to provide ancillary tourist accommodation. Location: Amberstone, Staplefield Lane, Staplefield. Granted.

7. Planning applications.

- a. DM/21/0525 Application Type: Trees in a Conservation Area Proposal: T1, T2 and T3 Shrubs - Fell. T4 Ash – Fell Site Address: Fairways, Cuckfield Road, Staplefield. Noted.
- b. DM/20/4139 Application Type: Householder Application Proposal: Demolish and replace existing two storey double garage. Site Address: Lodge Farmhouse, Copyhold Lane, Cuckfield. No objection.
- c. DM/20/4033 Application Type: Full Application Proposal: (Amended Plans received 18/12/2020 and 10/02/2021) Extension of existing driveway creating a new access to the highway, erection of associated gates and creation of footpath linking to public highway. Site Address: Five Acres, Cuckfield Lane, Warninglid. No objection.
- d. DM/21/0127 Application Type: Householder Application Proposal: Proposed detached double garage/workshop/garden store to the rear (address amended to Willow Barn). Site Address: Willow Barn, Copyhold Lane, Cuckfield. No objection.
- e. DM/20/1718 Application Type: Householder Application Proposal: Conversion of timber frame barn outbuilding in to living accommodation for visitors to the main house (Amended plan received 8 January 2021) (Amended plan received 24 February 2021). Site Address: The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty. No objection provided the outbuilding remains ancillary to the main house.
- f. DM/20/4501 Application Type: Trees in a Conservation Area Proposal: x15 Oak trees - lift lower overhanging canopy face by 2.5m. Oak - 2.5m reduction. T1 Yew - 1.5m reduction. T2 and T3 Yew - 1m reduction. Prunus Uprooted ivy clad tree - fell. Silver Birch - fell. Poplar - Reduce to a standing height of 5m. Eucalyptus - 2.5 m reduction. Site Address: Yew Tree, Brantridge Lane, Staplefield. Noted.
- g. DM/21/0791 Application Type: Householder Application Proposal: Retrospective householder planning application for a pool kitchen and carport. Site Address: High Point, Brook Street, Cuckfield. This application arrived late this afternoon and Councillors have not had time to look at it. The Clerk was asked to request an extension so that it can be considered at the April meeting. If this is not possible then it will be delegated to Brad, Nuala and the Clerk.
- h. DM/21/0005 Application Type: Full Application Proposal: Demolition of existing

stables. Construction of a 4no. bedroom detached dwelling. Site Address: Land Adj. To Meadow Woods, Brook Street, Cuckfield. This application arrived late this afternoon and Councillors have not had time to look at it. The Clerk was asked to request an extension so that it can be considered at the April meeting. If this is not possible then it will be delegated to Brad, Bob and the Clerk.

8. Monthly finances.

The financial statement including the schedule of payments for approval, the receipts and bank reconciliation was AGREED.

9. Mobile SIDs.

Brad reported on a meeting that was held with the Mobile SID volunteers to thank them for their work and to agree a schedule for moving SIDs and collecting data.

Volunteers have requested that new poles are put up where there are no suitable Highways poles. The cost of new poles is between £75 and £105 per pole depending on the surface that they are being put in to. It was AGREED that each ward should have at least 4 locations that can be used. The Clerk will obtain permission from Highways for the suggested locations before ordering the poles.

10. Local Community Infrastructure s106 fund.

The Clerk reported that the Rocky Lane bus shelter and noticeboard licenses have been obtained from Highways and she has applied to MSDC for the s106 funding.

11. Cricket charges for 2021.

It was AGREED that the cricket charges will remain the same as last year.

12. Local Community fund.

Brad will write a piece that can be put on the website and notice boards to invite bids for funding from local community groups.

13. Ansty Village Centre.

The Village Centre is progressing well and on schedule for completion at the end of this month.

The Clerk has booked the new hall in the Village Centre on the 14th June for the Parish Council's first "in person" meeting since last March. It was agreed that meetings will alternate between Ansty and Staplefield.

14. Ansty Village Sign.

Simon reported that he has looked at the options for the new village sign and hopes to report back at the next meeting.

15. Incorrect naming of street name at the Bolney Road development, Ansty.

Jon Gilley visited the Markwick family following the confirmation from MSDC that the name cannot be changed from "Marwick Close" to "Markwick Close" as originally intended. The family are saddened by this error but do not wish to pursue the matter.

16. Updates from MSDC and WSCC Councillor.

Pete Bradbury was not present at the meeting.

17. Minor matters and items for the next agenda.

- a. West Sussex Association of Local Councils (WSALC). Brad reported that he attended a zoom meeting at which the Chairman of WSALC was asked to leave. Subsequently the proposed new contract for support services from Hampshire Association of Local Councils was stopped. It is likely that support services will be provided by some version of the old SSALC. The Parish Council has already given notice to WSALC and will wait to see what arrangements emerge before considering re-joining.
- b. Fencing between developments at Ansty. A resident has reported that fences have been put up that block the pathway intended to link the two new developments at Ansty. The Clerk was asked to contact the developer to ask them to open them up.
- c. Rights of Way. The Clerk was asked to add this to the next agenda particularly in connection with the work to identify and restore lost footpaths.

MEETING CLOSED

DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION

Ansty and Staplefield Parish Council Finances 8th March 2021

Payments for approval

	Ref	Description	Amount
EDF Energy	91	Pavilion Electricity	16.00
Vodafone	92	Phone	21.55
WSCC	93	Salaries and Councillor Allowances	3981.69
MSDC	94	Dog bin collection service	362.21
Elizabeth Bennett	95	Expenses	17.09

Receipts in February

MSDC	U	S106 for SIDs	9850.00
Staplefield Association	V	Donation towards bus shelter	200.00

28th February 2021

Bank		Cashbook	
Current Account	34764.57	Balance forward	56862.78
Deposit Account	15231.49	Receipts	123127.77
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less unpaid		less payments	135654.21
Westcotec	-150.6		
WSCC	-2073.69		
Symes Trees	-3400		
Castle Water	-8.44		
Elizabeth Bennett	-26.99		
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Approved at PC meeting on 8th March 2021