

ANSTY AND STAPLEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the meeting of Ansty and Staplefield Parish Council held in Ansty Village Hall on 9th August 2021 at 7:30pm.

Present: Brad Williams (Chairman), Bob Birthwright, Dhana Mahendran, Jon Gilley, Maria Fielding, Nuala Hampshire, Simon Stokes.

Also Present: The Clerk is isolating and provided updates by speaker phone.

1. Public Session.

There were no members of the public present

2. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted from Crispin Salimbeni and James Steadman. The District and County Councillors also sent apologies

3. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

Bob Birthwright declared a personal interest in agenda item 6d planning application DM/21/2796.

4. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19th July 2021.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

5. Planning decisions.

The following decisions were noted:

- a. DM/21/2255. Description: proposed conversion of existing integral single garage into a habitable room and storage room. Location: Honeysuckle House, 7 Old House Lane, Haywards Heath. Granted.
- b. AP/21/0027 (DM/20/2681 and DM/20/2688). Great Thorndean Barn, Slough Green Lane, Warninglid. The appeals were dismissed by the planning inspectorate.
- c. DM/21/2277. Description: outline application for a proposed new open-sided barn for the storage of equipment and vehicles, associated with maintenance of land and property, with all matters reserved. Location: Deakes Manor, Deaks Lane, Cuckfield. Granted.

6. Planning applications.

- a. DM/21/2377 Application Type: Lawful Development Certificate -Proposed Proposal: New barn for storage purposes. 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: Land South Of Rocky Lane, Rocky Lane, Haywards Heath. Noted.
- b. DM/21/2773 Application Type: Full Application Proposal: Proposed erection of a steel framed, metal clad building with front and half of each gable overclad with Marley Eternit Cedral weatherboard fixed horizontally. The building will be divided into 2 units. All external hardstanding and parking areas will be concrete block paved. Site Address: Barkers Garage, Lower Yard, Sparks Lane. The Parish

Council do not object in principle to this application but would like Highways to check whether the junction between Sparks Lane and Brook Street could be amended to make it safer for the additional traffic generated by the increased units.

- c. DM/21/2735 Application Type: Householder Application Proposal: Single storey side extension and First floor extension with internal alterations. Site Address: Old Mill Cottage, Cuckfield Road, Ansty. No objection.
- d. DM/21/2796 Application Type: Full Application Proposal: Formation of amended track. Site Address: The Forge, Cuckfield Road, Staplefield. No objection.
- e. DM/21/2761 Application Type: Householder Application Proposal: Single storey side/front extension, conversion of existing timber outbuilding to form home office and family garden room. Site Address: 3 Slough Green Cottages, Staplefield Road. The Parish Council do not object to the application but want to ensure that outbuilding is ancillary accommodation and cannot become a separate dwelling.
- f. DM/21/1714 Application Type: Removal/Variation of Condition Proposal: Variation of condition 2 relating to planning application DM/17/1846 to allow for amendments to approved plans with the plans submitted for this application (numbered CDMS-21002. 07,08,09 and 10). Amended plans and elevations received 25.06.2021 showing alterations to window and door openings, reduction in roof height of link extension and removal of proposed chimney. Heritage statement received 30.07.2021. Site Address: The Old Dairy, Great Thorndean Barn, Slough Green Lane, Warninglid. No objection.
- g. DM/21/2828 Application Type: Householder Application Proposal: Installation of open-air in-ground pool and associated works in existing gym outbuilding. Site Address: Legh Manor, Cuckfield Road, Ansty. No objection.

7. Monthly Finances.

The financial statement including the schedule of payments, the receipts and bank reconciliation was approved.

8. Street naming proposal for the new development at Bridge Hall.

The Parish Council agreed to support the proposal by the developer to name the street "Riddiford Drive" after a well-known local lady golfer.

The Clerk was asked to check whether the parish will receive any s106 contributions from this development.

9. Fingerposts update.

The Clerk reported that the contractor has promised to install the final signs in the next few months.

10. Update on dog bins.

The Clerk has asked MSDC to add Ansty Green to the waiting list for dog bins. The Clerk was asked to contact the District Councillor to request that MSDC prioritise the provision of dog bins in the District. The District Council do not bear the full the cost as Parish Councils pay for the emptying of bins in their parish.

11. License fee from Enterprise Inns.

James Steadman will provide an update at the next meeting.

12. Ansty Village Centre.

Demolition has begun and should be completed by the end of this week. The car park extension can then be created on the site of the old hall which will help to ease local parking issues. The sub leases between Ansty Village Centre Trust and the new Community Sports Club and Ansty Village Hall Trust have been agreed but not yet completed. There are still a few outstanding issues which it is hoped can be resolved soon.

A General Manager has been appointed to help promote the new centre and recruit and train bar staff. Several activities are taking place including fitness classes, quiz nights, local clubs, and disabled cricket.

13. Minor matters and items for the next agenda.

a. Upper Common Staplefield.

A Staplefield resident has reported that the grass at Upper Common needs cutting. The Clerk was asked to include this in the brief for the new grass cutting contract.

b. Hanlye Lane. The Clerk was asked to report the poor condition of Hanlye Lane which has many potholes which may have been caused by developer traffic.

c. Marwick Close. The Clerk was asked to report that the channel for the utilities that crosses the A272 to Markwick Close has subsided.

Meeting Closed.

Draft minutes subject to confirmation.

Ansty and Staplefield Parish Council Finances 9th August 2021

Payments for approval

	Ref	Description	Amount
Castle Water	35	Pavilion water	8.44
EDF Energy	36	Pavilion electricity	16.00
Vodafone	37	phone	27.00
Screwed and Glued	38	Removal of play park bench	50.00
Osborne Signs	39	Ansty Village Sign	780.00
WSCC	40	Salaries	2090.90
Public Works Loan Board	41	Loan repayment	3261.50
AVHT	42	Community Grant	280.00
Monarch Oak	43	Staplefield bus shelter final payment	1128.00

Receipts in July

South East Power Networks	N	Wayleave	225.95
EI Group	O	Use of common by The Victory	1250.00
Copthorne Cricket Club	P	cricket	83.85
Copthorne Cricket Club	Q	cricket	83.85
Copthorne Cricket Club	R	cricket	83.85
The Sunday Seconds	S	cricket	116.10

Bank Reconciliation

31st July 2021

Bank		Cashbook	
Current Account	57160.07	Balance forward	40140.1
Deposit Account	15231.49	Receipts	55245.34
Unpaid		less payments	-25290.96
HML PM	-166		
Elizabeth Bennett	-14.39		
WSCC	-2116.69		
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Signed by Chair of Parish Council meeting 9th August 2021.