

CRANBROOK & SISSINGHURST PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & PRESERVATION COMMITTEE  
HELD ON THE 2<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 2019

**Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying:**

Members are required to declare any interests, dispensations, predetermination or lobbying on items on this agenda. Members are reminded that changes to the Register of Interests should be notified to the Clerk.

Present: Cllr. Bunyan (in the Chair), Cllrs. Cook, Fermor, Veitch and Warne.

Apologies: Cllrs. Beck and Smith.

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

19/00364/FULL

1 & 2 Folly Hill Cottages, Folly Hill, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 2LU

Demolition of existing single storey rear extension, rear chimney and various outbuildings; conversion, alteration and renovation of existing cottages to form a single dwelling together with erection of a one and a half storey side extension, a single storey rear extension, first floor dormer windows, hard landscaping, a driveway extension, two car parking spaces and an access gate.

The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL.

Proposed by Cllr. Veitch, seconded by Cllr. Fermor and agreed.

19/00369/FULL

Mount Ephraim Farm, Freight Lane, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 3PG

Installation of solar panels on rear roofslope.

The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL.

Proposed by Cllr. Cook, seconded by Cllr. Bunyan and agreed.

19/00131/FULL

Folly Farm Oast, Folly Hill, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 2LU

Change of use of agricultural land to create a pond in a wet corner of a permanent pasture field.

The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL.

Proposed by Cllr. Fermor, seconded by Cllr. Cook and agreed.

19/00359/LBC

5 & 7 Waterloo Road, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 3JA

Listed Building Consent: Proposed overhaul of the existing main roofs & hanging tiles to gable end, to include stripping, replacement of tiles, battening, insulation & lead lashings to chimney stacks & valleys. Removal & rebuilding of chimney tops, re-pointing of some areas of brickwork and repair of rendered plinths. Re-painting of external joinery and timber boarding.

The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL subject to the views of the Conservation Architect and his approval of a suitable replacement tile. Members also suggested that the applicant should consider covering the roof with a multi foil insulation product prior to replacement of the tiles.

Proposed by Cllr. Cook, seconded by Cllr. Warne and agreed.

**RESERVED MATTERS:**

19/00136/REM

Hurstway Construction Co Ltd, Hartley Road, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 3QX

Approval of Reserved Matters (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout, Scale) following outline permission for 18/00597/OUT (Removal of existing commercial buildings, associated yard and handstanding; removal of tennis court within garden area of 'Flagstones' and replacement with a residential development comprising up to 7 dwellings).

The Parish Council recommended REFUSAL on the following points:

- Excessive roof height. Members felt the roof height should be limited to the maximum height of the existing buildings so as to not overpower other dwellings in the vicinity and taking into consideration that the site is in the AONB.
- Lack of ecological design features. It was agreed that the applicant would be sent a copy of the Eco Design Guide.

Proposed by Cllr. Bunyan, seconded by Cllr. Warne and agreed.

**APPEALS:**

17/03481/FULL

Land Adjacent to Hartley Gate Farmhouse Hartley Road Cranbrook

Proposed erection of 8no. dwellings with access, parking, landscaping and replacement of TOP tree T2.

Members noted the appeal but made no further comment.

**BRICK KILN FARM:** Update

Members discussed the notes of the meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> March that had been circulated, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

A letter had been received regarding our support of a planning application on a site where alleged planning breaches had been reported to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council. The resident was advised that TWBC are not under any obligation to inform us of reports they receive, so we would not necessarily be aware of any possible breaches.

**TRAINING:**

Cllr. Fermor offered to present an application at the next meeting.

**DECISIONS:**

Cllr. Bunyan read out the decisions received from the Borough Council.

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:**

Cllr. Veitch referred to her investigations into the rules and regulations of displaying location signs for new housing developments. She advised that permission has to be sought from KCC and certain restrictions on the length of time they can remain in situ and where they are placed apply. She has reported several via the KCC website that she believes have been erected on regulatory signs which is against the rules.