

PLANNING CONSULTATIVE PANEL

REPORT (Minutes) of the Planning Consultative Panel relating to the inspection of planning applications and other planning related matters, held at the Fleur de Lys Council Chambers, Market Square, Hailsham on Thursday 8th July 2010 at 7.00 pm.

Prior to commencement of formal business, a period of not more than 15 minutes was assigned for the purpose of permitting members of the public to address the Panel or ask questions (on matters relevant to the responsibilities under direction of this Panel) at the invitation and discretion of the presiding Chairman.

Mr C. Unsted from Downash Farm spoke against application WD/2010/0428/F, Meadowswell Farm, Hailsham. He advised that he has a shared access with the farm and strongly objects to the application as he considered that the shared access is too narrow for the increase in lorries which would be generated by the application. He also expressed concern that the area is prone to flooding.

Mr H. Edwards, a resident who lives in a neighbouring property to Meadowswell Farm, also objected to the application, and advised that Rickney Lane, which leads to the proposed development, is too small to cope with the increase in lorries. He also expressed concern that the road is dangerous, having a 60 mph limit which would be made worse with further traffic.

Mrs J. Cunningham, of Westdown Cottages, also expressed concern due to the dangerous bend on the road that leads to the proposed access, stating that further traffic will make a dangerous road even more hazardous. She also listed flooding as a concern in the area and advised that there are a number of stables in the vicinity and further traffic would present a risk to horse riders.

The residents distributed pictures to the Panel, showing the flooded areas and also the shared access to the proposed development.

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Present

Councillors: R. E. C. Burnett, W. Crittenden (Chairman), J. Puttick, Mrs M. Rowe
Officer in attendance: K. Moralee

34 **Apologies For Absence:** Mrs S. Henstock

35 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor W. Crittenden declared a personal interest in application WD/2010/1346/FE, as he is a neighbour of the applicant.

Confirmation of Minutes

36 **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Consultative Panel held on Thursday 24th June Ref: 10/1/25-32 was confirmed as a correct record.

37 **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

None were received.

38 **Deferred Item**

WD/2010/0428/F - Meadowswell Farm, Downash, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council raises strong objections to the proposed store for the following reasons:

- i) the application directly contravenes Policy SH10 and SH11 as the additional traffic will have an adverse impact on local roads and will be detrimental to the rural character of the locality
- ii) The access is shared with a neighbouring farm and is too narrow for the extra flow of traffic
- iii) The area is prone to flooding and is not suitable for this development

39 **Planning Applications 10/1/39-40 (appended hereto)**

Four plans were considered. There were no objections to WD/2010/1402/F, WD/2010/1346/F, WD2010/1361/F

40 **WD/2010/1118/F – Burtenshaw Lane, Market Street, Hailsham**

The Panel requested the Planning Clerk contact the Case Officer for this application, for further information.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.55 pm
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