

HERNE & BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Office, Herne Centre, St Martin's View, Herne CT6 7AP

Minutes of the meeting of the Herne & Broomfield Parish Council Planning & Highways Committee meeting held at the Herne Centre on Thursday 2nd November 2023 at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present:

Cllr Blatherwick (Chairman)

Cllr Wilson (Vice Chairman)

Cllr Checksfield

Cllr Hill

Cllr Strong

Cllr White

Cllr Wilson

1. To receive apologies for absence and accept reasons.

No apologies were received, and all members were present.

2. To receive declarations of interest on items on the Agenda and requests for dispensations.

None

3. To confirm the minutes of the planning meeting held on 2nd November 2023.

The minutes were approved as a correct record.

4. To report on matters arising from the minutes, not on the agenda, for information only.

None.

ADJOURNMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

To allow members of the public to speak about items on the agenda.

No members of the public were present.

Reference	Address	Proposal	Comments on or by
23/01912	42 Herne Street	Two storey side and rear extension.	17/11/23
		Members neither supported nor objected to this application. Members raised concerns that the development would be out of keeping at the rear, especially as the property is locally listed and in the conservation area. Members have requested that a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) is put in place as the property is situated on a major road through the centre of Herne village. Any construction vehicles parked in front of the property would cause traffic congestion and/or obstruct the very narrow footpath. This would be particularly serious during peak times.	
23/01922	40 Strode Park Road	Dormer to side.	17/11/23
		Members neither supported nor objected to this application. Members commented that the loss of another bungalow would be regrettable.	
23/01948	17 Swallow Court	Replacement front door from timber to upvc.	17/11/23
		Members objected to this application. Members commented that the door should be replaced with a door of the same materials, as the property is in the conservation area.	

23/01953	Strode Farm, Lower Herne Road	Details submitted pursuant to condition 8 (play area) and 9 (landscaping) of planning permission CA/23/00723/VAR.	
		Members neither supported nor objected to this application.	
23/01298	119 Ridgeway Road	Detached single-storey annexe.	10/11/23
		Members objected to this application. Members objected for the same reasons that were given before. These were that this application is for a separate dwelling, rather than an annex. It would be back land development, contrary to CCC Planning guidelines. The site is situated within a special landscape area and close to a SSSI. This development would change the character of the area. Should this development be approved, this could set a precedent for further back land development in the area. Members noted the amendments that had been made. However, it was still a separate dwelling and although the new position of the proposed annexe would bring it in line with neighbouring buildings, these are only temporary structures (sheds and stables).	
23/01736	49 Pigeon Lane	Single-storey rear extension and first floor extension following demolition of existing conservatory.	01/12/23
		Members neither supported nor objected to this application. Members raised concerns regarding the impact that a development of this size would have on neighbouring properties, especially as it would create an asymmetric link between the adjoined garages.	

Any applications submitted prior to the meeting will be considered:

23/01298 119 Ridgeway Road.

23/01736 49 Pigeon Lane

Correspondence received:

None.

Applications approved by C.C.C.:

23/01297 Haus Kitchens, Busheyfields Nursery, Busheyfields Road.

23/01338 6 Gorse Lane.

23/01785 139 Margate Road.

23/01628 47 Lower Herne Road.

23/00292 Ross Wood Scout Campsite, New Road.

23/01724 123 Margate Road

Applications refused by C.C.C.:

23/01263 Braggs Lane Farm Campsite, Braggs Lane Farm, Braggs Lane.

To discuss any Highways issues:

Cllr Blatherwick reported that Canterbury City Council (CCC) have put forward proposals to increase car parking charges across the district. They would like to bring all the car parks into line with the banding in Canterbury.

Regarding the School Lane car park, the proposal is to increase the charges to £1.90 per hour. There is no mention of whether there will be any changes to the times that charges apply. Cllr Blatherwick said that it is an amenity car park and community facility, which helps with the parking issues in the neighbouring streets during school drop-off and pick-up times. The clerk to contact CCC with these concerns. **Action clerk.**

Cllr Hill asked whether the request for yellow lines in Norton Avenue had been made to CCC. The clerk confirmed that all the yellow line requests had been submitted to CCC.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm.