

NEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Planning Committee of Newick Parish Council held at the Sports Pavilion, King George V Playing Field, Allington Road on Tuesday, 10th July, 2012 at 6.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors: C. Armitage (Chairman for Planning), C. Allen, J. Lucas
C. Jago Mrs. M. Thew, Mrs. J. Sheppard, Mrs. C. Wickens and Mrs.
L. M. Farmer (Clerk).

Four Members of the public attended

1. **APOLOGIES:** Councillors R. Houghton, Mrs. Smerdon and Mrs. Sprackling and District Councillor J. Sheppard
2. **Declaration of Interest:** There was one Declaration of Interest – Cllr. Mrs. C. Wickens relating to Planning Application LW/12/0626 5 Newick Drive.
3. **Appointment of Chairman & Vice-Chairman for this Committee** – It was agreed that Cllr. Armitage be appointed as Chairman with Cllr. Jago as Vice-Chairman.
4. **Questions from the public, if any: Four members of the public attended but no questions were asked.**
5. **APPLICATIONS:**

**Newick
LW/12/0590**

Sharpsbridge Farm Sharpsbridge Lane

Planning Application - Demolition of existing chicken sheds and erection of detached house with below ground parking and storage – The Parish Council strongly opposed this application as it was outside the Planning Boundary. Concerns were also expressed about the evidence of owls and badgers in the vicinity.
The Parish Council was also of the opinion that the area fell within the Habitats Regulations on Development in the North East of Lewes District currently under discussion by Lewes District Council and the implications this would have on the District.

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5 Newick Drive

Planning Application - Alterations to front elevation including enlargement of balcony – The Parish Council supported this application.

The Chairman reported that the Planning Application for Newick Hill had formally been withdrawn.

6. **NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN:**
Members were informed that the Parish Council had now made a formal application to Lewes District Council to prepare a Neighbourhood Development Plan. It was believed that it would be about six weeks before the Parish Council heard if its application had been successful.

Information relating to the Habitat Regulations received from Lewes District Council and to the recommendations being submitted to Lewes District Council Cabinet was circulated to the Parish Council together with a clearer map showing the area of the Parish these regulations may have most impact on.

After a discussion concerning the EU Habitat Regulations the following was agreed:-
That the Clerk arrange a meeting with either Ed Sheath, Tal Kleiman or Susie Mullins inviting representatives from Barcombe and Chailey Parish Councils to discuss the impact the Habitat Regulations would have on preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan and the Lewes District Planning Development Framework. The Clerk was asked to try to arrange the meeting for Tuesday, 28th August commencing at 6.30 p.m. Questions were raised concerning the following which it was hoped could be answered at the above mentioned meeting;

- What the effect would be between the 7 km and 15 km boundaries under the regulations.
- To have a clearer understanding of what was meant by a SANG (Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace) and how this would work in practice.

Part of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan would be to assess the impact any development may have on the centre of the village.

It was noted that Cllr. Lucas, Cllr. Jago and the Clerk would if possible attend the training workshop for Neighbourhood Development Plans being organised by CPRE Campaign for the Protection of Rural England at Barcombe on Wednesday, 25th July, 2012.

Notes of the meeting with John Kay held on Tuesday, 19th June, 2012 were circulated to Councillors for their information.

It was agreed that the Clerk would keep a detailed file on all the correspondence and other material relating to the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Meeting Closed at 7.15 pm

Signed: **Dated:**.....

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