

# BARCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Barcombe Parish Council Planning Meeting held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at 7.15pm.

Attendees: Cllrs Arbenz, Bennington, Cornwell, Holman, Pack, Parson, Skan, Stewart, Stroude. Also present: Cllrs Linington and Milligan, plus approx. 10 members of the public.

### Agenda

1. Apologies: Cllr Smith
2. Declarations of Interest: Cllr Stroude LW/21/1005
3. Planning Applications

The following planning applications were discussed with the active participation of members of the public.

#### **Barcombe: LW/22/0029**

Barcombe House Barcombe Mills Hayes Lane Barcombe

Householder - Removal of existing timber fence and replacement erection of wrought iron gate with border fencing for Mr Opee.

The Parish Council is **neutral** towards this application. The Parish Council would like to request that the design of the proposed light fittings is assessed with the village's dark sky policy in mind.

Additional traffic calming measures on Hayes Lane were discussed. Following the receipt of additional information the Parish Council feel that this aspect is not relevant to the current gate and fence application.

#### **Barcombe: LW/21/0880**

Burtenshaw Farm, Spithurst Road, Barcombe

Change of use from agricultural land to a natural burial ground.

The Parish Council is **negative** towards the application. Greater clarity regarding use and future development is required to answer questions raised by both neighbours and the Parish Council. Some of the questions that the application raised include:

- How many burials are expected to take place
- How will car numbers be restricted to the available onsite parking, and overflow to the public road prevented
- Whether a traffic survey/safety assessment should be carried out
- Why the wildlife and ground surveys were carried out in only one season of the year
- Why 'opening hours' are not considered relevant. Visitors will require access outside of burial times
- Greater clarity on future development, business and infrastructure.

The Parish Council has encouraged individuals to write with their specific concerns to Lewes District Council. The Parish Council would also suggest that the applicant undertake some community engagement activity to explain the strategic plans for the site more clearly.

#### **Barcombe: LW/22/0025**

Yew Tree Orchard Spithurst Road Barcombe

Removal of existing rear conservatory, 2 storey rear extension with raised roof height, rear Juliette balcony and extension to chimney height, front dormer with dual pitched roof, 3no. side roof lights to east elevation, 3no. side roof lights to west elevation, alteration to fenestration of ground and first floor.

The applicant, Ms L Kalogerides, gave a short introduction to the application.

The Parish Council is **positive** towards this application.

**Ringmer: LW/21/1005**

Bridge Farm, Barcombe Mills Road, Barcombe, BN8 5BX

Erection of one workshop comprising 6 modular units with associated car parking on the established rural employment site.

The applicant, Mr Stroude, gave a short introduction to the application and then withdrew from the meeting.

Barcombe Parish Council is **negative** towards application LW/21/1005.

The main concern for both neighbours and members of the Parish Council was over-development of the site. The existing size and level of activity on the site was felt to be sufficient. Other issues raised included; increase in traffic volume, road safety, road damage caused by increased traffic, the impact on the dark sky of site lighting and possible flood risk from increase in hard surfaces.

The Parish Council also requests that conditions from the previous development (LW/16/0506) are reviewed as light fittings appear not to be hooded/subject to motion detection triggers. It is reported that lights are on late into the evening.

4. Any other Business                      None

The meeting closed at 20:57.