

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF STAPLEHURST PARISH COUNCIL  
PLANNING COMMITTEE  
held at Staplehurst Village Centre on  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 7.00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillors Ashby, Buller, Sharp and Smith. Ex Officio: Chairman Silkin, Vice-Chairman Riordan and Vice-Chairman Burnham who was in the chair.  
Parish Clerk: Mr MJ Westwood

**APOLOGIES:** none as all members were present.

**APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES:** Minute Pages 1303P-1304P of 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017 were approved, signed by Councillor Burnham and made available at [http://www.staplehurstvillage.org.uk/minutes\\_of\\_the\\_last\\_meetings.aspx](http://www.staplehurstvillage.org.uk/minutes_of_the_last_meetings.aspx).

**URGENT ITEMS:** None requested.

**COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS:**

1. Declarations of Lobbying – Councillor Buller declared she had been lobbied about 17/500897.
2. Declarations of Changes to the Register of Interests – none declared.
3. Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda – none declared.
4. Requests for Dispensation – none requested.

**FULL PLANNING APPLICATIONS:** (for recommendation)

- 17/500785     **Leonard Cheshire Disability, Sobell Lodge, High Street TN12 OBJ** – Internal alterations and extensions to form activity space, physiotherapy room, training kitchen and interview room. Councillors RESOLVED to recommend APPROVAL of the application to the MBC Planning Officer.
- 17/500861     **Great Wadd Oast House, Grandshore Lane TN17 2DA** – Change of use of Oast House from ancillary residential accommodation to independent residential use. Councillors RESOLVED to recommend APPROVAL of the application to the MBC Planning Officer.
- 17/500897     **Fishers Oast, Fishers Road TN12 ODD** – Minor material amendment to 15/506021 Erection of nine dwellings with associated landscaping and access via a private drive off Fishers Road: Amendment to condition 12 – site boundaries. SPC had recommended the revised application be Refused (Min 1221P, 1256P, 1269P). Councillors NOTED that the application addressed an error they had previously questioned. They RESOLVED to make no comment.

**REPORTED DECISIONS:** (for noting)

- 16/506117     **Faith Cottage, Clapper Lane** – Removal of existing outbuildings and construction of a detached store and a detached garage MBC GRANTED with 4 conditions. SPC had recommended Refusal (Min 1275P, 1283P, 1292P). NOTED by Councillors.
- 16/507922     **Old Orchard Barn, Couchman Green Lane** – Extension to existing garage, to house tractor/garden machinery with workshop/store to first floor utilising existing access MBC GRANTED with 3 conditions. SPC had raised No Objection (Min 1291P). NOTED by Councillors.

- 16/508520    **3 Fir Tree Close** – Tree in Conservation Area – Fell one Ash tree MBC RAISES NO OBJECTION. SPC agreed to leave the decision to the Tree Officer (Min 1296P). NOTED by Councillors.
  
- 16/508679    **Building 2 Chickenden Oast, Chickenden Lane** – Prior Notification for the change of use of buildings and land within its curtilage from agricultural use to a use falling within Class C3 (dwelling-house) MBC WITHDRAWN. SPC had Noted (Min 1299P). NOTED by Councillors.
  
- 16/508680    **Building 1 Chickenden Oast, Chickenden Lane** – Prior Notification for the change of use of buildings and land within its curtilage from agricultural use to a use falling within Class C3 (dwelling-house) MBC WITHDRAWN. SPC had Noted (Min 1299P). NOTED by Councillors.
  
- 16/508696    **59 Bell Lane** – Demolition of existing garage and erection of a new timber framed garage MBC GRANTED with 3 conditions. SPC had recommended Approval (Min 1299P). NOTED by Councillors.

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**PUBLIC FORUM** – No items were raised.