

ORLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Orlestone Parish Council's Planning Meeting held at 4pm on Wednesday 30th October in The Hamstreet Sports Pavilion, Hamstreet, Ashford, Kent.

Present: Andy Othen (Chairman), Mike Wady (Vice-Chairman), Julian Griffiths, Sid Gittens, Mags Wellsted-Boorman, David Weeks and the Parish Clerk (Sue Stiffell).

Also Present: Borough Councillor David Ledger (virtual presence via Skype), Lee Small (Chair to Warehorne PC), Peter Davison, Basil Smith & David White (residents)

1. **Apologies:** were received from Steve Shorter (working), those present agreed that these apologies be accepted.

2. **Declarations of Interest:**

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest (relating to items on this agenda made in order to comply with the Kent Code of Conduct): None were made at this point from Councillors present.

Declarations of Significant Interest (relating to items on this agenda made in order to comply with the Kent Code of Conduct): None were made at this point from Councillors present.

3. **Discuss Response for Planning Applications:**

18/00056 - Land between A2070 and Railway north of, Warehorne Road, Hamstreet, Kent: Outline planning application for residential development for up to 50 dwellings including details of pedestrian and vehicular accesses onto Warehorne Road and pedestrian and cycleway access onto Ashford Road only (all other matters reserved). Provision of informal recreation / ecological area to the north.

18/00644 - Land to the north of St Marys Close and east of, Ashford Road, Hamstreet, Kent: Outline application to consider the access from Ashford Road only and the construction of up to 80 new homes, an up to 60 bed care home, approx. 60 car parking spaces adjacent to Ashford Road, SuDS, wetland and associated education centre/events space, pedestrian and cycle linkages, associated open space and football pitch with associated covered shelter, drainage infrastructure and new landscaping.

During discussion it was noted that planning application no 18/00056 would be discussed during ABC's committee planning meeting being held on Wednesday 6th November at 7pm in the Civic Centre. Lee Small (Chairman to Warehorne Parish Council) and Julian Griffiths (Parish Councillor to Orlestone Parish Council) would be requesting to speak on the application. Borough Councillor David Ledger would also speak and it was hoped that a member of the public would also present their views.

The paperwork for ABC's planning committee meeting was made available to those present and discussion took place on what points should be raised by those speaking. It was agreed that Julian, Lee and David would correspond with each other so that their 'speeches' so that the same points were not duplicated.

During discussion on issues that needed to be raised it was noted that Hamstreet Primary Academy had not commented on the application; a brief discussion was held regarding the impact it would have on them.

Concluding the meeting the Chairman summarised:

- i) The application would be objected to and issues around traffic congestion, water services, the scale of the proposed developments, the need to reduce numbers, the negative impact on Warehorne and Hamstreet would be highlighted.
- ii) It would also be noted if the application were to be granted than all work should be suspended until the proposed development opposite the primary academy had been completed due to the effect that two developments occurring at the same time would have on the villages and the need for the primary academy to have the facilities being offered by the development opposite them in place before further development took place.

4. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Parish Council Meeting – Monday 4th November 2019 at 7pm

Meeting Concluded at 5.30pm

Chairman's Signature