

ICKLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

A local council for the peoples of Icklesham, Winchelsea, Winchelsea Beach and Rye Harbour
Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held at Winchelsea Court Hall on Monday 27th November 2023.

Cllrs Present: Ms. N Eldridge, J Justice, D Kitteridge, I McConnochie, D Smedley, A Rixon and N Warren (Chairman)

In Attendance: 4 members of the public were present.

1. **The Chairman to open the meeting at 6:30 pm.**
2. **To record any apologies for absence.**
Apologies received from Cllr Mrs. Stanford.
3. **To receive any Declarations of Interest (Personal or Personal & Prejudicial) by Members.**
There were none.
4. **Comments or questions from members of the public present relating to items on the Agenda.**
A resident of Winchelsea spoke in relation to item 7 of the agenda. He expressed dissatisfaction with the response from Rother DC Enforcement Officer and read out a draft letter from Winchelsea Residents' Association to RDC and the Local MP regarding this and will copy in the final version to IPC.
5. **To approve the Minutes of the Planning Meeting of the 23rd October 2023.**
The Minutes were approved and signed.
6. **To consider applications referred by Rother District Council:**
 - a) [RR/2023/2304/P Solpax, Morlais Ridge, Winchelsea Beach, TN36 4LL](#)
Proposed conversion of garage to provide ancillary annexe accommodation.
RESOLVED: it was agreed to object to the application as there is a flood risk with a bedroom being on the ground floor unacceptable and over development in the face of ongoing sewerage and flooding problems in Winchelsea Beach.
7. **Unoccupied properties in Winchelsea (3 the 5 Houses and Martens).**
3 the 5 Houses - Concern was expressed at the lack of urgency by RDC over potential harm to passing pedestrians and vehicles from potential falling wall tiles on front of property. **RESOLVED:** The Parish Clerk is to write to RDC expressing these concerns.
Martens – a resident is to contact neighbour to arrange for the Chair (Cllr Warren) to call and assess the overgrowth in the garden from neighbours property. Cllr Eldridge suggested that we could get a team together to tackle the garden but the Chair pointed out that we would need to have the owners permission to do this. A resident has provided the Chair with a name and address for the owner of Martens.
8. **Flyposting, graffiti and flytipping matters.**
Nothing to report.
9. **(a) Decisions and Enforcement Matters advised by Rother District Council.**

The following decisions were noted:

Decisions			
Reference	Location	Proposal	Status
RR/2023/1749/P	Little Oaks Main Road Icklesham	Proposed pitch roof over the existing flat roof with dormers to improve first floor living accommodation.	Planning Permission Grant Subject to Conditions

RR/2023/1951/T	Kings Leap Castle Street Winchelsea	T1 - Sycamore reduce crown by up to 30% T2 - Ash reduce crown by up to 30% T3 - Ash reduce crown by up to 30% T4 - Sycamore reduce crown by up to 30% T5 - Ash reduce crown by up to 30% T6 - Sycamore reduce crown by up to 30%	No objection
RR/2023/1961/O	Yew Tree Cottage Main Road Icklesham	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed works to remove existing substandard pug and tile flashing between chimney pots and roof and replace with lead flashing.	Lawful Development Certificate refused
RR/2023/407/P	Greyfriars Friars Road, Winchelsea TN36 4ED	Use of part of property and garden space for up to 20 weddings per annum, including erection of seasonal marquee, catering tent, and portable toilet, along with the provision of 50 car parking spaces.	Approved conditional
RR/2023/408/L	Greyfriars Friars Road, Winchelsea TN36 4ED	Works to building to facilitate use of part of property and garden space for up to 20 weddings per annum, including erection of seasonal marquee, catering tent, and portable toilet, along with the provision of 50 car parking spaces.	LISTED BC GRANTED
RR/2023/1449/O	Rye Wharf, Unit R3 Rye Harbour Road TN31 7TE	Certificate of lawfulness for a proposed, partial change of use to allow the addition of an ancillary MOT testing facility at a premise used for motorcycle repair and servicing.	Lawful DC approved
RR/2020/1044/P	Churchfields Industrial Estate Longrakespar Storage Land Rye Harbour Road TN31 7TE	Variation of conditions 2, 7, 8, 9 & 10 imposed on RR/2017/2541/P to alter the external materials and ridge orientation, extend operating times within the building, increase number of shipments, alter landscaping details and install external floodlighting.	Approved conditional.

The following enforcement matters were noted:-

Enforcement Matters			
Reference	Location	Complaint	Status
ENF/189/23/ICK	12 Harbour Farm Winchelsea Beach, Icklesham TN36 4LP	Erection Of Porch Without Consent	No Further Action - Not development porch has existed for 15 years plus
ENF/236/22/ICK	Bredeside Sea Road, Icklesham TN36 4LA	Erection of tall gates over 1m, fencing and possible groundworks.	Further investigation

(b) Breaches of planning control.


The 'temporary' pizza hut in the grounds of Winchelsea Lodge Motel is still there. **RESOLVED:** Clerk is to report this to RDC enforcement.

10. Date & venue of next Planning Meeting.

Monday 11th December 6.30 pm and Winchelsea Court Hall.

Agreed as a true record of the meeting

Signed



Dated: 11th December 2023