

**WORTH PARISH COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE**

**15th February, 2010**

**Present:** Mr. J. A. Percival (Chairman)  
Mr. T. W. Thomas (Vice-Chairman)

Mrs. M. A. Baker	Mr. C. T. Phillips
Mr. D. P. Blackman	Mr. G. W. Phillips
Mr. P. A. C. Coote	Mr. A. J. Smith
Mr. B. J. Jack	Mrs. A. Souter
Mr. A. J. Lacey	Mr. N. Walker
Mr. C. T. Larkin	Mr. M. J. Watts
Mr. E. M. Livesey	

*Apologies for their absence were received from Mr. R. H. Blackmore and Mr. D. A. Lucas.*

**72. MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2010, as circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**73. APPLICATION WP/09/02368/OUT : BUDGET TRAVEL HOTEL, SNOW HILL**

It was reported that the District Council had granted permission for the demolition of the existing bungalow at "Woodpeckers", Snow Hill, and the erection on the site of a fifty-nine bedroom budget travel hotel with associated parking and ancillary works. This decision had been taken against the recommendations of the District Council's officers and despite the apparent contraventions of policy involved, and investigations were being carried out into the possible illegality of the manner in which the decision had been taken. The results of those investigations would be reported to the Parish Council in due course, and the Council would then be able to determine whether it wished to comment further on the matter.

**74. "BRETTON", CUTTINGLYE ROAD, CRAWLEY DOWN**

The Committee noted the dismissal of the Appeal against the District Council's refusal to grant permission for the change of use to B1 Business Use of an existing building at "Bretton", Cuttinglye Road.

**75. HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS**

The Committee was informed of the inclusion of the following proposed works in the draft Programme of Highway Improvements in the next two years -

Kitsmead, Copthorne	Footway reconstruction	2010/11
A. 264	New pedestrian Crossing	2010/11
Knowle Drive, Copthorne	Improvements	2010/11
Grange Crescent, CD	Minor Repairs	2010/11
Beech Gardens CD	Footway reconstruction	2011/12
Church Road, Copthorne	Drainage Improvements	2011/12

**76. A.264 – NEW PEDESTRIAN CROSSING**

The Committee received a request from the County Council for observations on a proposal to provide a new pedestrian crossing over the A.264 to the east of the junction with Newtown.

**RESOLVED:** That the County Council be informed that this Council support the provision of the proposed crossing, but suggests that it would be better sited nearer to the Newtown junction.

**77. DEVELOPMENT SOUTH OF GRANGE ROAD**

The Committee noted the District Council's comments on the Parish Council's suggestion for the provision of traffic signals at the junction of Grange Road and the B.2028, and the more recent concerns expressed at the possible effect on the bridge structure of the highway works which were proposed as part of the conditions to be imposed on the permission to be granted for the new development. As a result, it was apparent that neither the County Council nor the District Council supported the idea for traffic signals, nor were they concerned at any possible problems with the structure of the bridge.

**RESOLVED:** That the suggestion for traffic signals be pursued, with particular emphasis being placed on the apparent advantages such signals would bring, not only locally but also at Turners Hill and the Dukes Head roundabout from the conveying effects on traffic when the signals were operating.

**78. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**RESOLVED:** That the observations contained in the attached Schedule dated the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2010, be conveyed to the District Council.

*Mr. E. M. Livesey and Mr. M.J. Watts remained in the meeting during the consideration of the foregoing Planning Applications, but indicated that their participation therein would not prejudice their consideration of any of those Applications as Members of the Mid Sussex District Council's North Area Planning Committee.*

Chairman

The Meeting started at 8. 22 pm  
and finished at 8.48 pm.

*The Parish Council has the following comments on the Planning Applications shown. Where the word "Support" is shown this indicates that the Parish Council supports the grant of planning permission subject to the imposition of appropriate conditions.*

<p><b>WP/09/03615/FUL (AMENDED)</b> 77 Westway, Copthorne, RH10 3Q - Proposed extension to first floor. Corrected plans received 22/1/10 showing accurate height of extension below that of existing ridge.</p>	<p>No comments</p>
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<p><b>WP/10/00125/COND</b>  Wildwood, Old Hollow, Copthorne, RH10 4TA - Removal of condition attached to planning approval F/53/12 which requires the building approved by that permission to be occupied only by the owner or occupier.</p>	<p>Support</p>
<p><b>WP/10/00182/TREE</b>  26 Bridgelands, Copthorne, RH10 3XD - Oak (T46) – remove lowest limb on western side and reduce overall canopy by 2 – 3 metres.</p>	<p>Support any recommendations of District Council's Tree Officer</p>
<p><b>WP/10/00115/FUL</b>  Ethlinden, Hophurst Hill, Crawley Down, RH10 4LP - Two storey side extension, two storey rear extension, single storey rear extension and single storey side extension.</p>	<p>Support</p>
<p><b>WP/10/00170/FUL</b>  11 Tiltwood Drive, Crawley Down, RH10 4DP - First floor rear extension.</p>	<p>Support</p>

**Clerk**  
**Worth Parish Council**  
**16th February 2010**