

WORTH PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

19th October, 2009

Present: Mr. J. Percival (Chairman)

Mr. R. H. Blackmore	Mr. C. T. Phillips
Mr. P. A. C. Coote	Mr. G. W. Phillips
Mr. B. J. Jack	Mr. A. J. Smith
Mr. A. J. Lacey	Mrs. A. Souter
Mr. E. M. Livesey	Mr. M. J. Watts

Apologies for their absence were received from Mrs. M. A. Baker, Mr. D. P. Blackman, Mr. C. T. Larkin, Mr. D. A. Lucas, Mr. T. W. Thomas and Mr. N. Walker.

46. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 5th October, 2009, as circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

47. LAND OFF GRANGE ROAD, CRAWLEY DOWN

With reference to Minute 31 (July, 2009) the Chairman reported on the Meeting of the District Council's North Area Planning Committee on the 15th October when the Applications for the development off Grange Road had been deferred pending the submission of further information. It appeared, however, that both the District Council and the Highway Authority were likely to favour the Developer's proposals for improvements at the junction of Grange Road and the B.2028, which seemed to fall a long way short of the Parish Council's suggestions in that they would involve only alterations to the former railway bridge by removing the wing walls of the parapet and replacing them with some form of crash barrier in an attempt to improve visibility to the north for the drivers of vehicles exiting Grange Road.

RESOLVED: That further strong representations be made to both the Planning and Highways Authorities calling for more substantial improvements at the junction of Grange Road and the B.2028, preferably the provision of traffic signals, before the development is completed.

48. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED: That the observations contained in the attached Schedule dated the 20th October, 2009, 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 8.47 pm
and finished at 9.31 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>WP/09/02368/OUT "Woodpeckers", Snow Hill RH10 3DZ – Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 59 bedroom budget travel hotel with car parking and ancillary works</p>	<p>Objection on the following grounds –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The proposal would be contrary to current policies in that it would mean the introduction of a new and inappropriate commercial use into the Strategic Gap and a Countryside Area of Development Restraint. 2. The demand for additional hotel accommodation locally has not been proven. 3. The proposal would not meet the criteria , as policies demand, for either quiet informal recreation or a tourist related development, other, it would seem, in the latter regard, as an overnight base for people en route out of the Country to "tour" elsewhere. 4. The suggested development would entail the provision of premises which would be out of keeping with the immediate locality and be detrimental to the local amenities. 5. The proposal would lead to an increase in traffic problems on the adjoining A.264.
<p>WP/09/02369/OUT Land south of "Woodpeckers", Snow Hill –Erection of replacement bungalow and ancillary works following the redevelopment of the site of the existing bungalow to facilitate the construction of a budget travel hotel</p>	<p>Objection. Consideration of the Application would be premature pending a decision on Application WP/09/02368/OUT.</p>
<p>WP/09/03002/FUL "Park View", Wallage Lane RH10 4NG – Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of single storey rear extension</p>	<p>Support</p>

Clerk
Worth Parish Council
20th October, 2009