# EWHURST PARISH COUNCIL with Ellen's Green

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# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EWHURST PARISH COUNCIL

# PLANNING COMMITTEE

Held in the EYSC

Monday 20th March 2023 7.30PM

1. Present: Cllr V Henry (in the chair), Cllrs J Bloomfield, L Tingley, M White

9 members of the public

In attendance: The Clerk, Mrs J Cadman

- 2. Apologies for absence: were received from Cllrs N Clowes and J Lilley
- **3. Declaration of Interests:** none were made.
- **4. Open forum public speaking:** members listened to and noted concerns from residents regarding WA/2023/00487 Land to West of Pennings
- 5. APPLICATIONS & CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED for consideration –

#### WA/2023/00403 5 Links Close

Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 192 for dormer extension to provide habitable accommodation in roof space

No objection

# WA/2023/00413 43 Downhurst Road

Erection of an attached dwelling following demolition of existing detached garage

**Object:** this development will result in over-development in that area and will also cause loss of light to the neighbour. Access and parking also need consideration.

A similar application (WA/2021/02159) was refused in January 2022. The refusal noted the covenant which was put in place when the ex-council properties were sold to the public, restricting the owners to one single dwelling only. This covenant ensures that the area does not become overcrowded.

# WA/2023/00477 4 Cottages on the Green, The Street

Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 192 for removal of a chimney

Noted

#### WA/2023/00487 Land to West of Pennings, Plough Lane

Siting of a container for agricultural storage and associated hardstanding

**Object:** reasons are as follows:

- i. The proposed container is out of keeping with the landscape and will be very visible from the road, despite the statement in the application.
- ii. The property is next to the conservation area of Ewhurst Green and adjacent to a Grade II listed building. The design of the container makes it only suitable for an industrial area, not a rural setting.
- **iii.** The hardstanding to enable access to the container stretches across the site. If the container were allowed, it would sensibly be located at the front of the site to remove the necessity for covering this green field with a hard surface.

Members queried the following:

i. This container will replace one already on site. Did this container receive planning permission?

- ii. There are no details on the material to be used for the hardstanding.
- iii. The application correctly states that there are no trees on site. This is because they were all removed, without permission as far as we can ascertain.

# WA/2023/00519 The Oaks, 5 Lilyfields Chase

Erection of extensions and alterations following demolition of existing single storey extension and porch **No objection** 

#### TM/2023/00393 Land to rear of 44 and 45 Larkfield

Application for works to trees subject to tree preservation order WA36 **Object:** 

- i. The application is inaccurate in many respects, as identified in the letter from the nearest neighbour, most particularly in that 44 and 45 Larkfield no longer exist, and that the trees in question are in fact behind different houses, and also in that the site plan included with this application is out of date.
- ii. None of the trees in this application appear in appendix B 'recommended tree works' of the original Arboricultural and Planning Integration Report (November 2017), reference WA/2017/2362.
- iii. We also question whether T2 and T3 have been correctly identified, as they were both identified as Oaks in the original report of November 2017.

# NMA/2023/00466 Land at 1 Gadbridge Villas

Amendment to WA/2020/2125 (approved at appeal) to change the surfacing of 2 x parking spaces to the front of 1 Gadbridge Villas from grasscrete to black tarmac. Surfacing approach is consistent with the rest of the development

**Object:** members were pleased to note that this application has been refused by WBC Planning officers, although noting that the date of refusal was before the date for final representations.

#### **Chairman's Report**

Deferred to the full Council meeting

Planning Committee Meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 7.30 pm EYSC Parish Council Meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 , **8pm, EYSC**