

# EWHURST PARISH COUNCIL with Ellen's Green

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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EWHURST PARISH COUNCIL

### PLANNING COMMITTEE

held at the GLEBE CENTRE

**TUESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023 7.30PM**

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1. **Present:** Cllr V Henry (in the chair), Cllrs J Bloomfield, T Bloomfield, M Higgins, J Lilley, L Tingley  
5 members of the public  
In attendance: The Clerk, Mrs J Cadman
2. **Apologies for absence:** were received from Cllr Clowes. The Clerk recorded that Cllr Mitchell did not wish to be a member of this committee, due to other commitments.
3. **Declaration of Interests:** none were made.
4. **Open forum – public speaking:** *WA/2023/01924:* residents spoke of their concerns over this application. Development on this site has been refused on a number of occasions, including at Appeal, for a number of reasons, including its proximity to Sayers Croft and Grade II listed buildings. Self build would almost inevitably mean a longer build period, and no specific time scale, which would have a detrimental affect on the experience enjoyed by the inner city children who attended the field centre. The footpath sign to Penlands has been removed. Cllr J Bloomfield will investigate.
5. **APPLICATIONS & CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED** for consideration –

#### **WA/2023/01841 Bildens Farm, Gadbridge Lane**

*Erection of attached workshop following demolition of existing storage building; extension of brick garden wall; erection of pool pavilion following demolition of existing pool pavilion and the addition of solar panels on existing pool shelter.*

No objection

#### **WA/2023/01924 Land CO-ordinates 508781 139928 (North of) Cranleigh Road**

*Outline application with all matters reserved except access for the erection of 6 self-build dwellings with associated landscaping and new drainage infrastructure.*

Members objected to this application, for the following reasons (also set out in a separate letter):

- i. This proposed development is outside the parish settlement boundary, and is therefore contrary to the statement in the Ewhurst and Ellens Green Neighbourhood Plan that any development of a small number of smaller houses should be within the settlement boundary.
- ii. The site is next to Sayers Croft Field Centre. Any development of this site would have a detrimental affect on the viability of the field centre and the experience provided to the approximately 20,000 inner city children who attend the centre each year. The site also contains a Grade II listed building and development in its proximity would impact the historic environment.
- iii. This application is for 6 self build dwellings. There will therefore be no time scale for this development and the impact on the field centre and the experience of the children who use it will inevitably continue for a number of years.
- iv. Applications for development on this site have all been turned down, including at Appeal. We see no reason why this application should succeed, when it does no more to address concerns than previous submissions.

Ewhurst Parish Council requests that this application be called into Committee, should officers be minded to approve.

**CA/2023/01898 The Rectory, The Street**

*Ewhurst conservation area removal of trees*

No objection

**PRA/2023/01917 Land Co-ordinates 508750 141208 Shere Road**

*General Permitted Development Order 2015 Schedule 2 Part 6 – prior notification application for erection of an agricultural building*

Although members did not object to this application, they requested that WBC check the distance of the agricultural building from the road, as it appears to be closer than 25metres, despite the statement in the application that it will not be within 25 metres from the road.

**6. Chairman's Report:** deferred to the main meeting.

Planning Committee Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023 7.30 pm EYSC

Parish Council Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023 , **8pm, EYSC**