# AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL

# **Tuesday 1 September 2015**

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# PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Present:** Cllrs Wright (Chairman), Balcombe, Base, Ms Dorrington, Elvy, Mrs Gadd, Gledhill, Hammond, Rillie, Shelley, Walker

**In attendance:** Mr Harris, Clerk Mrs Collier, Deputy Clerk

Apologies: Cllrs Ambrose, Mrs Brooks, Homewood, Winnett

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#### 1. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Mrs Gadd declared an interest in item 21. as a near neighbour and took no part in the discussion or decision. There were no further declarations of interest additional to those contained in the Register of Members' Interests.

# 2. Apologies

Apologies from Cllrs Ambrose (holiday), Mrs Brooks (holiday), Homewood (holiday) and Winnett (another meeting) were noted and reasons accepted.

#### 3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

# 1. TM/04/1019 – Aylesford Sand Quarry, Rochester Road, Aylesford North

Non material amendment to allow an alteration to condition 6 of TM/04/1019 to allow new site owner to occupy the existing site office building

Parish Council Comments: No objection

# 2. TM/15/02011 Unit 1, Yew Tree Ind Estate, Mill Hall, Aylesford South Change of use to MOT test station

Parish Council Comments: No objection (Already sent to meet deadline)

# 3. TM/15/02081 **160 Bull Lane, Eccles**

Amendment to TM/14/02105 – (Construction of an attached dwelling) to include single storey rear extension. Amended plan received 'Parking arrangements including dimensions'

Parish Council Comments: Now we are in receipt of the sizes of this proposed parking space, APC have grave reservations as to whether the area at the front of the property is adequate for purpose ie. large enough for an average family car. We also reiterate our concerns about the hazard of vehicles driving on and off the already dangerous Bull Lane. If permitted this is setting a precedent for other properties to apply for a change of use of their front garden into parking areas and thus exacerbating the dangers further. (Already sent to meet deadline.)

# 4. TM/15/02159 9 Robson Drive, Aylesford South

Demolition of existing bungalow and garage. Redevelopment with 4 houses

Parish Council Comments. Original comment was No objection. Members reconsidered this on 25August and amended their comment as follows:

No objection in principle to the development subject to it complying with the appropriate planning regulations for a plot of this size. However we would prefer the design to be kept in keeping with the existing street scene. (Already sent to meet deadline)

# 5. TM/15/02246 **16 Woodbury Road, Walderslade**

Reduce height of silver birch to approx. 6m.

Parish Council Comments: Objection. This will completely ruin the appearance of the tree which enhances the view of the area.

# 6. TM/15/02280 **184A Robin Hood Lane, Waldersalde**

Chestnut tree – remove overhanging branches, thin remaining crown

Parish Council Comments: No objection

# 7. TM/15/02291 **82 Teapot Lane, Aylesford South**

Part single/part two storey rear extension and internal alterations

Parish Council Comments: No objection

# 8. TM/15/02356 Hermitage Court, Hermitage Lane, Ayleford South

Oak – fell because of major decay. Replant with mature oak within 10m of its current location

Parish Council Comments: No objection

# 9. TM/15/02395 45 Beresford Road, Kits Coty, Blue Bell Hill

Proposed single storey extension to existing kitchen located to the front elevation

Parish Council Comments: No objection

#### 10. TM/15/02318 **18 Hermitage Lane, Aylesford South**

Sweet chestnut – pollard due to construction of new access road and sewer diversion

Parish Council Comments: No objection

# 11. TM/15/02416 **27 Oaks Dene, Walderslade**

Oak – raise canopy up to 9m above tree base. Prune lateral branches to clear buildings by 2.5m. Remove dead wood.

Parish Council Comments: No objection

# 12. TM/15/02422 **153 Bull Lane, Eccles**

Ground and first floor extension

Parish Council Comments: Objection. Not in keeping with neighbouring properties.

#### 13. TM/15/02443 Land adjoining 1 and 10 Oaks Dene, Walderslade

Multi stemmed hornbeam – fell and prevent regrowth (restricted space)

Parish Council Comments: No objection

# 14. TM/15/02519 **522 The Beacon, Maidstone Road, Blue Bell Hill**

Ground floor and first floor alterations including insertion of front dormers

Parish Council Comments: No objection

#### 15. TM/15/02526 **102** The Avenue, Aylesford South

Demolish utility room and construct an extension to the rear of the garage to create a larger kitchen area

Parish Council Comments: No objection

#### 16. TM/15/02534 **8 Marston Walk, Walderslade**

Tree works

Parish Council Comments: Objection. Due to lack of description and unclear photograph, we see no reason for the work to these trees.

#### 17. TM/15/02550 **21 Papion Grove, Walderslade**

Fell 2 birch trees (decay in trunks)

Parish Council Comments: Objection. The Tree Officer advises they are not dangerous.

# 18. TM/15/02570 Unit 9, Yew Tree Industrial Estate, Mill Hall, Aylesford South

Retrospective part change of use to MOT testing station for motorcycles

Parish Council Comments: No objection

# 19. TM/15/02595 Duchess of Kent Court, Hall Road, Aylesford South

Works to trees

Parish Council Comments: No objection

#### 20. TM/15/02649 **25 Walsham Road, Walderslade**

Remove hornbeam stump and coppice triple stemmed hornbeam

Parish Council Comments: No objection

# 21. TM/15/02692 **13 Birch Crescent, Aylesford South**

Tree works

Parish Council Comments: No objection

22. TM/15/02741 BBC Transmitting Station, Warren Road, Blue Bell Hill Installation of 0.3m dishes on an existing electronic communications mast and ancillary development thereto

Parish Council Comments: No objection

**4. DETERMINATIONS** – No report to this meeting.

# 5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. TPO Trees at Tunbury Avenue, Chippendale Close, Hepplewhite Mews and Sheraton Court, Walderslade. *Noted*.
- 2. TPO Trees at 5, 11 and 12 Papion Grove, Walderslade. *Noted*.
- 3. Aylesford Nursery, Rochester Road. The Clerk was asked to clarify with TMBC that the conditions of planning permission for building an agricultural residential dwelling on this site were being met in relation to an operating nursery business, and relating to the reported siting of two mobile homes on the site.

  Clerk

There being no further business, meeting closed at 8.02pm.