

# Hadlow Down Parish Council

## MINUTES OF A PLANNING MEETING OF HADLOW DOWN PARISH COUNCIL

Held in the Village Hall, Hadlow Down

at 7 pm on Tuesday September 23rd 2008

Note – this is a draft copy to be agreed and amended, if necessary, at the next Planning Meeting.

**In attendance:** Cllrs David Walker (Planning Chairman), Paul James, Colin James and Michael Lunn. Outgoing Parish Clerk Jean Holmwood and new Parish Clerk Helen Simpson-Wells

1. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS:** held on June 17<sup>th</sup> and July 15<sup>th</sup> were agreed and signed.
2. **MATTERS ARISING:** None.
3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Apologies received from Cllrs Graham Terry, Cllr Norman Buck WDC and Cllr Ken Ogden WDC.
4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Michael Lunn has an interest in Coopers Farm, however this was discussed before he arrived at the meeting.

5. **APPLICATIONS:**

**WD/2008/2019/F Coopers Farm, Five Chimneys Lane:** Erection of a temporary agricultural dwelling to support local “entrant” organic agricultural and sustainable enterprise. Site visit has been held. *The Parish Council have carried out a site visit and have spoken to near neighbours. We support the application fully. We are very pleased that farming is to take place on this land and that old features such as the ponds are being brought back into existence. Also a sustainable woodland has been planted, hedgerows replaced and the land brought back into productive and sustainable agriculture. We hope that the applicant is able to make a viable business here and demonstrate the possibilities to others both of the farming and of the carbon neutral/carbon positive status of the building.*

*We are very pleased to see a comprehensive planning application and that a lot of time and effort has been put into this and shows how serious the applicant is about this project.*

*We would add one condition which is that the consent is personal to the applicant and cannot be passed on..*

**WD/2008/2239/LB - Huggetts Furnace Farmhouse, Hastingford Lane** - weatherboard cladding to north, east & west elevations, alterations to fenestration including replacement and reinstatement of windows and conversion of 2 ground floor window openings to French doors. Remove modern porch to north elevation. *The Parish Council is unable to support the application, we feel the changes proposed to this historic listed building are unsympathetic to a building that has evolved over several hundred years. The building has several different features within its facades and this shows the evolution of the property during its many alterations, extensions and renovations. We feel that the house should be left as it is to show the different periods of its history.*

**Michael Lunn arrived 7:40pm**

**WD/2008/1845/F - Hope Farm, Brick Kiln Lane** - change of use from agricultural use to equestrian use - menage arena 40m x 20m fenced enclosure, additional plans received showing site levels. *The Parish Council have no objections to this application and found the additional information dated 26<sup>th</sup> August 08 very helpful.*

**WD/2008/2244/F - Scocus Farm, Five Ashes** - Conversion of Barns for use as a nursery school (D1) and office (B1) including retention of new access and drive and closure of existing access (previously approved under WD/2007/0464). *The Parish Council commend this application for approval however they would like the cladding to be stained black to maintain the historical architecture of traditional buildings. We feel the applicant should be commended for work carried out on the office block and laying of the hedge boundary to the A267.*

6. **GRANTED PLANNING PERMISSION**

**WD/2008/1825/LB – Loudwell Farm, Tinkers Lane** – removal of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century extensions including conservatory and erection of two storey extensions and internal alterations, (listed building consent).

**WD/2008/1759/F – Brook House, Tinkers Lane** – two-storey extension with porch to detached dwelling plus internal alterations.

**WD/2008/1426/F - Coopers Farm, Five Chimneys Lane** – alterations to existing pole barn and access way, including the erection of a small tool shed

**WD/2008/1433/LB – Loudwell Farm, Tinkers Lane** – alterations to existing converted granary, (listed building consent).

**WD/2008/1437/F – Loudwell Farm, Tinkers Lane** – removal of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century extensions including conservatory and erection of two storey extensions and internal alterations

**7. REFUSED PLANNING PERMISSION**

None received

**8. OTHER PLANNING MATTERS**

Have advised Graham Kean that in relation to proposed footpath diversion at Granary Cottage, Huggetts Furnace, the Parish Council stand by their previous comments sent to him on 13<sup>th</sup> August.

Cllr. Michael Lunn gave Councillors information on the East Sussex and Brighton and Hove Structure Plan 1991-2011 policies and local plan policies and interim plan.

**Meeting closed at 8:15pm**

Signed ..... Date .....