

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Doddinghurst Parish Council Planning Committee held on the 7<sup>th</sup> May 2009 in the Parish Office at 9.30am

**Present:** Cllrs D Dicker (Chair), G Bateson, Colin Enderby

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr. Mrs. D. Carroll.
2. **Minutes of the meeting dated 15<sup>th</sup> April 2009:** Approved and Signed.
3. **Declaration of Interests relating to items on this agenda:** None declared.
4. **Planning applications received.**

**BRW/252/2009** Location: Granary Cottage, Frog Street, Doddinghurst, CM15 0JJ  
**Development:** First floor extension at rear.  
**Comment:** The council objects to the application on the following grounds:  
The property is in Green Belt and was originally three small cottages that has been converted into one dwelling and has been the subject of refused planning applications BRW/125/2006 and BRW/914/2006. This development shows a reduction of habitable space on the ground floor to permit the building of a new first floor extension.  
The proposed new upper floor extension will form a disproportionate addition to the building creating a significant and dominant roof line resulting in an over-scaled dwelling for the area, contrary to policy GB6. The practicalities of effectively and permanently reducing habitable accommodation on the ground floor is questionable and no information has been supplied to show how 1.8 square metres can be removed from the conservatory or when the breakfast diner would be demolished.  
Concern was also expressed at the enclosure of Frog Lane within the curtilage of the property on the plans. Frog Lane is a public highway as determined in the case CH 85 B 6493 between Brentwood Borough Council and Ian Gerald Enifer in February 1992 which states "My conclusion in the action is that the Council has satisfied me that Frog lane is a public carriageway." and therefore free public access across Frog Lane should be maintained.

**BRW/245/2009** Location: Larchwood, Doddinghurst Road, Doddinghurst, CM15 0RE.  
**Development:** Dropped Kerb (to Doddinghurst Road).  
**Comment:** No objection.

**A/BRW/14/2009** Location: The Willow Public House, Church Lane, Doddinghurst CM15 0NG.  
**Development:** Display of Various externally illuminated and non-illuminated advertisements and external lighting.  
**Comment:** The application applies to the former Moat Public House.  
The Parish Council has no objection to the non illuminated signs.  
The Parish Council has no objection to the illuminated post sign or the illuminated wall sign (Items 1 & 2 on the plan).  
The Parish Council has no objection to illumination needed for safety or the security of the customers of the premises.  
The Parish Council is concerned about the 6 floodlights and other lights planned (whose locations and technical specifications e.g. power/lux levels and light colour, are not provided on the plans supplied), because:  
(a) The Village is, in principle, an "unlit" village with few streetlights.  
(b) There are residential houses opposite that may suffer unnecessary glare and light pollution at night.  
(c) There is no indication that the flood lights will be turned off during the night.  
(d) The locations of the Wilmslow lanterns and Regent lanterns are not specified on the plan supplied.

## 5. Officers Decisions/ Decisions Awaited.

**BRW/12/2009(+Revised)** Location: Honeycroft, Solid Lane, Doddinghurst  
**Development:** Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of three bedroom chalet dwelling house together with garage and covered way at the side. **Approved**

**BRW/192/2009** Location: 84, Lime Grove, Doddinghurst.  
**Development:** Single storey side/ rear extension & pitched roof to existing flat roof garage and porch at front. **Decision Awaited**

**BRW/1/2009** Location: Timberland Farm, Solid Lane  
**Development:** Retention of 6m high wind turbine at side/rear **Decision Awaited**

**BRW/86/2008** Location: Land to the rear of Ashwells Lodge Blackmore Road, Doddinghurst  
**Development:** Change of use for the stationing of a wind turbine. **Decision Awaited**

**S191/BRW/12/2008** Location: Lorro Park, Church Lane, Doddinghurst.  
**Development:** Application: for Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use as a Contractor's Yard. **Decision Awaited**

## 6. Planning Appeals and Enforcement:

- ENF/BRW/137/2006 – Ask Wine 88 Church Lane, Doddinghurst. Enforcement letter re Roller Shutters – letter issued.
- ENF/BRW/398/2008 – Water Works Spring: Breach of condition 2 of planning permission BRW 716/2001 – continued stationing of a residentially occupied mobile home

## 7. Planning Matters

- Matters raised by members – None received

Signed

Dated

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