

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF SEDLSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 9 MAY 2006 IN COMMITTEE ROOM 2, 21:15 TO 21:30**

PRESENT: Cllr P Martin, Cllrs W Cameron, N Foord, Cllr Mrs V Wright (Chairman of the Council), Cllr A Rand (Vice-Chairman of the Council). Clerk/RFO – Mrs P Raymond

- P06/07.1 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE.** It was moved by Cllr Mrs Wright, seconded by Cllr Rand and **RESOLVED: That Cllr P Martin be Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.**
- P06/07.2 **APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE** was received from Cllr Mrs Mitchell (ill).
- P06/07.3 **MINUTES.** The Chairman was authorised to sign the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 18/04/06.
- P06/07.4 **INTERESTS.** Members were reminded to declare interests as they arose.
- P06/07.5 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST COMMITTEE MEETING**
- 5.1 **RR/2006/824/P 19 Gorselands, Sedlescombe.** Proposed loft conversion including new dormers and rooflight. Objections were posted to the Rother Planning website after this application had been considered and supported by the Parish Council Committee. In summary, the objections were 1) that the extension would be “ugly and inappropriate” and would spoil a natural footpath walk; 2) a very big shed has been put up in the garden; 3) that the “ugly trailer means they run a business from the property also”; 4) they have regular bonfires making walks unpleasant and damaging surrounding trees and hedges; 5) unreasonable impact of the “imposing south facing dormer window” on a neighbouring property – suggest a skylight window instead.
- 5.2 **Proposed development at the Pestalozzi International Village.** As expected, Mr Richard Maidment, Trustee of the Pestalozzi International Village Trust and chair of its Regeneration Committee, had spoken at the 2006 Parish Assembly regarding the proposed development. The full content of his speech has been posted on the Sedlescombe community website. He reported that Tim Ronalds Architects had been chosen and a Campaign Director to lead a major capital fund-raising campaign had been appointed. He assured the Assembly that the Regeneration Committee would be liaising with residents, particularly through the Parish Council, as the plans take shape. Since then, Cllr Mrs Wright had agreed with Mr Maidment that consultation with the Parish Council should be through the Planning Committee and that the Committee would like to see a detailed masterplan showing location of buildings, building design with models, photo impressions etc. It is expected that the Planning Committee will call a public meeting in September, about six weeks before the plan is expected to be submitted to Rother. Pestalozzi will also consult with the Planning Committee at other times on any issues that might be contentious. The Clerk has agreed with Pestalozzi that Planning Committee Meetings will be arranged as necessary.
- 5.3 **RR/2006/1018/P Glendale, Churchland Lane, Sedlescombe.** Erection of rear extension to form additional bedroom. An objection to this application from a near neighbour had been posted to the Rother Planning website after this application had been considered and supported by the Parish Council Committee. The objector considers that the development of Glendale to be totally out of character with its neighbours and more akin to an urban plot to building ratio. She therefore objects to the proposal to enlarge the new bungalow which has not yet been occupied and is she says “substantially bigger than the original dwelling”.
- 5.4 **Development at Cartref, The Street.** On 08/05/06, Rother issued a stop notice alleging a breach of planning control.

The Clerk reported that, on several occasions recently, there had been applications where the Planning Officer did not agree with the parish comments. However, the Clerk had not heard from District Councillor Wilson as expected. With the objections raised on the above-mentioned applications, these might also appear on the “D” list notified only to District Councillors.

P06/07.6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 6.1 RR/2006/1095/FA Hurst House, Hurst Lane, Sedlescombe. Erection of steel frame hay and equipment barn. **RESOLVED: That the Parish Council supports approval.**
- 6.2 RR/2006/1108/P Merry Tales, Chapel Hill, Sedlescombe. Addition of first floor extension and alterations including rooflights. Cllr Mrs Wright reported on her inspection. **RESOLVED: That the Parish Council supports approval.**
- 6.3 RR/2006/1138/TN Swift-Lite Charcoal Company, Marley Lane, Sedlescombe. Removal of one communications dish, 600mm in diameter, from the existing mast, and addition of one 300mm dish. This notification is for information only.
- 6.4 RR/2006/1192/P Catkins (previously Delmonden), Meadow Lane, Sedlescombe. Demolition of existing dwelling and car port and erection of replacement dwelling with detached double garage. Cllr Cameron reported on his inspection. **RESOLVED: That the Parish Council supports approval.**

P06/07.7 PLANNING RESULTS

RR/2005/2847/P Swift-Lite Charcoal Works, Marley Lane, Sedlescombe	New industrial buildings including for reprovision of building areas lost to fire and incorporation of existing outbuilding floor areas and associated external works	Parish Council supports approval BUT with various recommendations APPROVED BY ROTHER DISTRICT COUNCIL ON 19/04/06
RR/2006/608/L & RR/2006/628/P Queen's Head, Brede Lane, Sedlescombe	Cellar Cooler Unit to be fixed by the rear external wall of external WC	Parish Council shares neighbouring property owners' concerns that the cooler fan may be noisy and intrusive if it is on 24 hours a day. LISTED BUILDING PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT.

The Clerk reported that she had written to Rother concerning the following applications which have been outstanding for a long time:

RR/2005/475/P 4 Compass Cottages, Compasses Lane <i>Answer from Planning Officer – result expected soon</i>	Retrospective application for a green garden fence	Parish Council – no comment
RR/2005/223/P (Com) Waydown Wood Farm, New England Lane, Sedlescombe <i>Answer from Planning Officer – with Solicitors concerning 106 Agreement.</i>	Horticultural Worker's Dwelling	Parish Council supports approval. ROTHER PLANNING COMMITTEE VOTED IN FAVOUR BUT Referred to GOSE who have decided to leave it to Rother to decide.
RR/2006/67/A, A21 – land at, Sedlescombe. <i>No answer from Planning Officer</i>	Erection of 2 non-illuminated signs for Brickwall Hotel (retrospective application)	Parish Council objects to the proposal as believes the signs should be replaced with brown tourist signs mentioning all village amenities

Chairman.....

Date.....