

**MINUTES OF FUNTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL (Virtual) PLANNING MEETING
07 March 2022**

PRESENT: Jean Simmonds (JS) Richard Littler (RL)
Bob Mousley (BM)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

1. **Apologies:** None
 2. **Minutes of the last meeting:** Meeting held on 07 February 2022, Proposed, Seconded and **AGREED**
 3. **Declaration of interest:** None
 4. **Public Questions:** None
 5. **Planning Applications / Decisions**
 - i. **Week 6**
None
 - ii. **Week 7**
 - a. **CDC Application**
Case No: FU/21/01876/FUL
Case Officer: Jane Thatcher
Applicant: Mr John Connors
Location: Land South Of Tower View Nursery, West Ashling Road, Hambrook, Funtington
Proposal: Retrospective change of use of land to use as residential gypsy caravan site, including the stationing of 16 no. caravans, of which no more than 12 no. shall be static caravans/mobile homes.
- JS to contact Enforcement regarding the caravans placed on the site in the last 2 weeks.

FPC strongly object to this application:

- An application for 12 caravans was refused in December 2019 and an appeal was not applied for
- This application conflicts with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) which emphasises a presumption in favour of sustainable development. However, this is not an unconditional presumption and it is made clear that any proposals for development within the countryside must be determined in accordance with the development plan.
- The site is located within an existing cluster of Gypsy and Traveller pitches and the introduction of additional Gypsy and Traveller caravans in the area would result in further over dominance of the settled community in West Ashling (Paragraph 14 Planning Policy for Traveller Sites (PPTS)). The settled community of West Ashling comprises 192 households and there are approximately 90 Gypsy and Traveller pitches spread around the village.
- The site is located half a mile away from the village of West Ashling which has no shops or medical services but does have a pub. The nearest bus stop is in Funtington approx 2 miles away which has a limited service to Chichester in one direction and Petersfield in the other. There is a primary school in the village but it is hazardous walk along narrow country roads with no lighting. Secondary schools are in Chichester (6 miles away) or Southbourne (3 miles away). Therefore, the use of land for the purpose of Gypsy and Traveller accommodation cannot be considered sustainable. (PPTS Paragraph 13).
- Paragraph 16 (PPTS) states that inappropriate development is harmful to the Green Belt and should

not be approved.

- The site lies outside the designated Settlement Policy Area. The only development should be strictly controlled in the countryside unless there is a proven need (NPPF).

b. SDNP Application

Case No: SDNP/22/00133/FUL

Type: Full Application

Case Officer: John Saunders

Applicant: C/O Agent

Location: Land North Of Pumping Station, Woodend, Funtington, PO18 9DJ

Proposal: Ground mounted solar installation.

- Discussion regarding visibility as the location is quite elevated, however plans for screening are in place.

Funtington Parish Council have no objection to this application

c. SDNP Application

Case No: SDNP/22/00656/OHL

Type: Overhead Electricity Lines

Case Officer: Alex Ransom

Applicant: Mr Richard Ward

Location: Land South East of 18 Haresfoot Close, Funtington, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 9LP

Proposal: Install fixed line broadband electronic communications apparatus 10m light telegraph pole.

- FPC fully supports the connectivity of the broadband project associated with this application.
- FPC would like to query the position in the middle of a green area, could the pole not be placed more discreetly next to a hedgerow or replacing existing poles.

d. SDNP Application

Case No: SDNP/22/00684/BBPN

Type: Broadband Prior Notification

Case Officer: Alex Ransom

Applicant: Mr Richard Ward

Location: Land adjacent to Watery Lodge, Watery Lane Toward West Ashling, Funtington, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 9LF

Proposal: Regulation 5 notification for the installation of 1 no. 10m light wooden telegraph pole (ref: QCO_2_24/01/22 480365,108174)

Funtington Parish Council have no objection to this application

e. SDNP Application

Case No: SDNP/22/00695/BBPN

Type: Broadband Prior Notification

Case Officer: Alex Ransom

Applicant: Mr Richard Ward

Location: Opposite Watery Lane Junction, Common Road, Watery Lodge, Watery Lane, Funtington, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 9LF,

Proposal: Regulation 5 notification for the installation of 1 no. 10M Light wooden telegraph pole (ref: QCO_1_24/01/22 480187,108412)

Funtington Parish Council have no objection to this application

f. SDNP Application

Case No: SDNP/22/00687/BBPN

Type: Broadband Prior Notification

Case Officer: Alex Ransom

Applicant: Mr Richard Ward

Location: Land at Watery Lane, Funtington, West Sussex,

Proposal: 10m light metal hollow telegraph pole.

Funtington Parish Council have no objection to this application

g. SDNP Decision

Case No: SDNP/21/04726/LIS

Case Officer: Piotr Kulik

Applicant: Andrew Austin & Dan York-Smith

Location: Cobdens, Sandy Lane, East Ashling, PO18 9AT

Proposal: Replacement of conservatory glazing, removal of internal partition and the proposal to alter the soffits and the line of the thatch roof to allow secondary fire escape.

Decision: APPROVED

iii. Week 8

a. SDNP Application

Case No: SDNP/21/06372/FUL

Type: Full Application

Case Officer: Lauren Cripps

Applicant: Charlotte Egerton

Location: Birchwood, Lye Lane, East Ashling, PO18 9BB

Proposal: Conversion of the stable for ancillary residential accommodation for disabled mother.

- It is a redundant building within the curtilage of Birchwood.

Funtington Parish Council have no objection to this application

b. SDNP Application

Case No: SDNP/22/00772/TCA

Type: Tree in a Conservation Area

Case Officer: Henry Whitby

Applicant: Mr Rupert Maxwell-Brown

Location: Richmond House, 1 Dukes Meadow, Funtington, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 9LU

Proposal: Notification of intention to fell 1 no. Cherry tree (T3).

Funtington Parish Council have no objection to this application

iv. Week 9

a. SDNP Application

Case No: SDNP/22/00576/HOUS

Type: Householder

Case Officer: Lauren Cripps

Applicant: Mr and Doctor Stephen and Victoria Cathie

Location: Removal of existing lean-to, car port and 2 no. garden sheds. Construction of a single storey side extension, addition of 5 no. dormer windows including roof alterations, and detached double garage.

Proposal: The Bungalow, School Dell, Funtington, West Sussex, PO18 8EB

Funtington Parish Council has no objection to the application but wished to add some Design Advice:

- **FPC would like to see reused materials in keeping with the surrounding architecture.**

b. SDNP Decision

Case No: SDNP/21/04706/FUL

Case Officer: Piotr Kulik

Applicant: St Mary's PCC

Location: St Marys Church , Church Lane, Funtington, PO18 9LH

Proposal: Re-roofing including installation of photovoltaic array.

Decision: **APPROVED**

- These were the resubmitted plans supported by FPC

c. SDNP Decision

Case No: SDNP/21/05234/HOUS

Case Officer: Piotr Kulik

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Wergan

Location: The Glebe, Church Lane, Funtington, PO18 9LH

Proposal: Two storey extensions to the North and South of the dwelling, single storey extension to the east, adjacent to a proposed pool. Existing garage to be redeveloped in line with proposed works, and a proposed carport to sit adjacent to a redeveloped access route.

Decision: **APPROVED**

d. SDNP Decision

Case No: SDNP/21/05620/FUL

Case Officer: Charlotte Cranmer

Applicant: Mrs Nikki Miller

Location: Southbrook Lodge , Southbrook Road, West Ashling, PO18 8DN

Proposal: 1 no. dwelling.

Decision: **APPLICATION WITHDRAWN**

e. SDNP Decision

Case No: SDNP/21/05879/FUL

Case Officer: Piotr Kulik

Applicant: Mr and Dr Boniface

Location: 2 (Laburnum Cottage) and 3 School Dell, Funtington, PO18 8EB

Proposal: Two storey rear extension on top of existing single storey extension with associated roof works.

Decision: **APPROVED**

Funtington Parish Council have no objection to this application

6. Enforcements – No Discussion
7. Telegraph Poles – See above week 7
8. Date of Next Meeting – 6.00pm Monday 11 April 2022