

# HADLOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Planning & Environment Committee duly convened and held on  
Tuesday 24 August 2021 at 7.30pm

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**Present:** Cllrs M Harvey (Chairperson), E Bright, D Carey, N Collins, J Massy, J Newman, S Richardson

**Also in attendance:** M Stepkowski (Parish Clerk – Minute Taker)

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**3562 To receive apologies, reasons, and approval of absences**

Apologies approved: Councillor R Morley,

**3563 To receive declarations of interests**

No declarations.

**3564 To receive an update on progress of resolutions from the last meeting 30 March not on the current agenda.**

None.

**3565 New applications, amended applications and plans for comment (List 'B's)**

- **TM/21/01659/LDP** – Conversion of garage to form part of kitchen. 18 Sherenden Park, Golden Green, TN11 0LQ  
<https://publicaccess2.tmbc.gov.uk/online-applications/PLAN/21/01659/LDP>

**HPC Agreed.**

- **TM/21/01848/LRD** – Details of condition 2 (windows and doors) submitted pursuant to Listed Building Consent submitted pursuant to planning permission TM/19/01689/LB (replace 1980s single pane soft wood window and entrance door).  
North Frith Farm Oast, Ashes Lane, Hadlow, TN11 9QU  
<https://publicaccess2.tmbc.gov.uk/online-applications/PLAN/21/01848/LRD>

**HPC Agreed.**

- **TM/21/01863/PDVRB** – Prior Notification: Change of use of a building and land within its curtilage from an agricultural use to a flexible use (Class R.3(b) over 150 square metres) for use as B8 for the storage of marques and associated furniture and fittings  
Land and Buildings known as Goldhill Farm, Hartlake Road, Golden Green  
<https://publicaccess2.tmbc.gov.uk/online-applications/PLAN/21/01863/PDVRB>

**HPC Agreed.**

- **TM/21/01976/OA** – Outline app: erection of two four bedroom dwellings – Plot 1  
Land adjacent Maidstone Road, Hadlow  
<https://publicaccess2.tmbc.gov.uk/online-applications/PLAN/21/01976/OA>

**HPC strongly object for reasons detailed below:**

- **Inappropriate development in Green Belt**
- **Access too close to Junction A26 (Maidstone Road)**
- **Harmful to the openness of the countryside**

- **TM/21/01977/OA** - Outline app: erection of two four bedroom dwellings – Plot 3  
Land adjacent Maidstone Road, Hadlow  
<https://publicaccess2.tmbc.gov.uk/online-applications/PLAN/21/01977/OA>

**HPC strongly object for reasons detailed below:**

- **Inappropriate development in Green Belt**
- **Access too close to Junction A26 (Maidstone Road)**
- **Harmful to the openness of the countryside**

**3566 Planning applications: results (List D's), out of area/comment & planning enforcements**

Clerk asked to write to Enforcement detailing Committee's concerns over some of the recent developments on the seven plots located at Common Road (land adjacent to Maidstone Road).

List D's noted.

**3567 TMBC & KCC matters:**

No matters discussed.

**3568 Non-planning issues:**

a) **National Resilience Strategy – NALC (National Association of Local Councils) request for Parishes to respond to specific questions.**

<https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:da4d9a83-2f2a-489f-b882-0f98fff15d5d> (deadline 10/9/21)

Cllr Collins to respond to the consultation on behalf of Council. Proposed Cllr Harvey, seconded Cllr E Bright and carried unanimously.

At the next Parish Emergency Plan consideration would be given to additional emergencies highlighted in the National Resilience Strategy.

b) **Fly-Tipping** – Survey for Councils (*see meeting papers attached for more information, exclude question 3*)

Committee not well enough informed on such matters to respond.

c) **Kent Buccaneers** – After a majority of members had viewed the proposed site for Youth Baseball Pitch it was agreed in principle to move forward with the project. If full Council agree the installation then the small goal posts would need to be removed and possibly relocated. The suggested position of the youth pitch enabled other ball sports to still take place at the far end of the grounds. It was also noted that the Kent Bucs had part funds for the project and would continue to source grants in addition to fund raising at tournaments and games.

Kent Bucs would need to sign an amended agreement with Council if and when a youth pitch were to go ahead.

Safety fencing would be considered under the S106 plan.

d) **Council Facilities**

- Maintenance: repairs completed (Hy-Arts toilet, HOS carpark drainage, fire extinguishers).

Clerk notified members of all repairs completed

- Facility proposed and on-going projects/maintenance

Members noted the proposed and on going projects/maintenance which would also be addressed by F&GP to ensure projects remained within budget or could be planned for future years.

Clerk asked to see whether Hadlow Library was continuing with computer buddy training and if not, whether a similar project could be run from the Old School Hall if wifi improvements allow.

Cllr Richardson asked Clerk to investigate whether conversion of building lights to LED could be done free of charge using a Utility Comparison company such as Utility Warehouse.

- Allotments

All are currently in use and Parish Office due to inspect. It was noted that the vegetation along the fence line with A26 was just starting to encroach upon the pavement and was scheduled for cutting.

- Play areas – repairs and maintenance

Repairs to the big slide were yet again required as the rope climb bolt was broken. Facilities Administrator had the matter in hand.

- Hy-Arts: future youth activities (EMBER & other youth programmes)

EMBER has started a free youth programme at the Hy-Arts Centre on a Monday evening between 4-8pm. Insurance and DBS evidence has been provided to the Parish Clerk. The group is relaxed in structure but will offer homework help, group games and activities using the hall and field. Individual aspects such as arts and crafts, board games and an opportunity for young people to be able to talk freely and openly with the youth workers. They may offer a cooked meal in time depending upon interest and numbers. They will work with outside groups to deliver sessions that they are unable to, such as boxing or other specialised sports or particular sessions that are wanted. It will be mostly led by the young people in that they will try to facilitate what the youth want from the group. They will run a little pocket money tuck shop but otherwise the sessions will be free and supported through funding streams. EMBER also hope to be able to provide the young people with the chance to learn life skills such as cooking, building, sewing etc. This is especially useful for those who are struggling academically or with school placements. Their main emphasis is on youthwork improving overall mental, physical and emotional well being. There will be no charge for the use of the Hy-Arts Centre.

YMCA had been notified there was a new youth group and both parties agreed to liaise and work together to enhance youth opportunities.

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.30 hours.

**Date of next meeting: Tuesday 28 September 2021 at 7.30pm**

**Signed**

**Date**