



FULKING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Fulking Parish Council

Planning Meeting

Held in the Village Hall, Fulking

On Wednesday

21st September 2016 at 6.30pm

Present: Miles Firth (Chairman), Councillors Michael Trist, Linda Dyos, Kate Watson, Mark Hind and Clerk to the Council, Derek Blackhall

4 members of the public were present

Apologies for Absence: None

Declaration of interest: None

Meeting opened at 6.30 pm

The minutes of the planning meeting held on 31st August 2016 having been previously circulated, were **AGREED** and **SIGNED**.

Prior to the meeting, there were no requests by a member of the public to speak.

The following matter was discussed:-

SDNP/16/04196/FUL

Location: Shepherd and Dog Inn The Street Fulking BN5 9LU

Proposal: Construction of new oak barn courtyard infill extension with demolition of 1.8m of single skin brick courtyard wall with installation of opening partition to allow opening of entertaining space.

The Chairman introduced the application, pointing out it is a retrospective application, that the main issue is the roof which is currently plastic and MSDC require it to be glass. There has been a site visit and the owner is happy to change it to glass.

The following points were made in discussion:

There are draughty gaps and drainage issues.

Some guttering work is required.

The retrospection arises from a misunderstanding as the owner had been wrongly advised that as it had previously been a temporary structure, planning permission was not required, but MSDC disagreed.

It was noted the garden closes very soon, and more use will therefore be made of the courtyard.

There was a suspicion aired by a resident that this application feels rather stealthy, and that there would be more functions resulting in further traffic congestion.

It was noted this was a second retrospective application.

The village needs a successful pub, and this application would not be as intrusive as current summer outdoor functions.

This expansion should be supported if the pub is struggling financially now.

The resulting vote was a unanimous support for this application, including the glass roof as shown in the plans; but that MSDC be asked to note this was not the first retrospective application from the owner. **Action: clerk**

Meeting closed at 7pm

Signed

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