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Chairman:

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Minutes of Horam Parish Council's Planning and Highways Committee held in the Horam Centre on WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2025 at 6.45 PM until 7.25PM

In Attendance: Councillors Andy Billings, Graham Knight, Sue Lane, Virginia Roberts, Daniel Johnston and Ann Sadler

Also in Attendance: 3 members of the public
The Clerk

PUBLIC SESSION

One member of the public spoke regarding ITEM 8 Coxlow Screening Update. He confirmed that some of the land shown on the screening application belonged to him and it was not for sale. His land was used for commercial woodland and grassland. He also owned 50% of the access track. He also believed to the best of his knowledge that the neighbouring farmer also owned land included in the screening application which was also not for sale. He agreed to provide more details of the parameters and acreage of his land which amounted to approximately 50 acres.

421/09/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
None.

422/09/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
None.

423/09/25 MINUTES

RESOLVED the minutes of the meeting held on 20TH August 2025 were confirmed and signed as a true record.

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424/0925 PLANNING APPLICATION(S) FROM WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL

WD/2025/1867/F

2 WYSTERIA COTTAGES, NETTLESWORTH LANE, VINES CROSS ROAD. HORAM TN21 9AT-Proposed two storey side extension and off-road parking

The application was unanimously recommended for **APPROVAL**.

The Council's observations in respect of this application are as follows: -

The parish council support the application. It is in line with the Neighbourhood Plan. The proposed extension is set back, well designed, the roof has a lower pitch, and it enables cars to be parked off the road.

Members noted that there is a tree close to the extent of the proposed extension, the impact on which should be considered.

WD/2025/7039/AD

FOLLY OAST, MARLE GREEN, HORAM, TN21 9HN

Portacabin with a covered veranda, Polytunnel and farm track

The application was unanimously recommended for **APPROVAL**.

The Council's observations in respect of this application are as follows: -

It was noted that more information should be provided regarding services that would be required for the portacabin. e.g. foul drainage and surface water drainage.

425/09/25 EAST SUSSEX CONSULTATION REGARDING NEW SITE ACCESS ROAD JUNCTION AND FOOTWAY ON THE SOUTHEAST SIDE OF CHIDDINGLY ROAD

(<https://what3words.com/vipers.pupils.piper>).

These highway works are associated with proposed residential development granted planning permission in December 2022 (WD/2020/2667)

Members reviewed the information provided by ESCC and **AGREED** that they had no comments to make.

426/09/25 PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED BY THE WDC MAJORS PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR NOTING

Noted.

427/09/25 TPO APPLICATION APPROVAL

Tree Preservation Order 2025/0002 (Horam)

Trees on land at Two Oaks, Chiddingly Road, Horam, East Sussex, TN21 0JJ
Confirmed 21.8.2025

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3 Common Oak Trees – grid ref: TQ57301645

Noted.

428/09/25 COXLOW SCREENING UPDATE

Members noted that a meeting had taken place with WDC regarding the parish council's Landscape Sensitivity Report. WDC had a copy of the report and would be contacting HPC in the future to discuss the findings. WDC had decided that an EIA would now be a requirement for the site which meant that there was an acknowledgment that there could be a significant impact from the new housing development. The developer now needed to carry out the EIA. Members noted that they may have access problems.

429/09/25 TO REVIEW THE DRAFT LETTER TO CENTRAL GOVERNMENT REGARDING INFRASTRUCTURE

Members reviewed the draft letter which had been previously circulated. The letter would be sent to central government with a copy to WDC. Members noted the impossibility of maintaining the character of settlements if the size is doubled. The importance of listening to local residents' concerns and taking some action in the form of a letter was noted.

Any further amendments to the draft would be sent to the Clerk by the 12th September.

430/09/25 PLANNING APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL

WD/2025/1458/MFA Land East of Rosemead, Horebeech Lane, Horam, TN21 9EA
VARIATION OF CONDITION 12 OF WD/2022/1694/MAO (APPEAL REF.
APP/C1435/W/23/3334439)

(OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION FOR THE ERECTION OF UP TO 46
RESIDENTIAL

DWELLINGS INCLUDING 35% AFFORDABLE HOUSING. ALL MATTERS ARE
RESERVED EXCEPT FOR ACCESS.) TO AMEND THE TRIGGER FOR APPROVAL
OF DETAILS FOR FOUL DRAINAGE FROM 'PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT' TO
'BEFORE PREPARATION OF GROUND LEVELS'.

Members **AGREED** that the Clerk would contact WDC and both district councillors for more details and clarification regarding the above decision. Previous correspondence sent by the Clerk remained unanswered and would be resent with the new enquiry. A draft response would be circulated to Members for their comments.

431/09/25 PLANNING APPLICATIONS REFUSED OR WITHDRAWN BY WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL – NONE

Noted.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Signed:

Chairman:

Planning Committee – Monday 22 September – 6.30 pm
Planning Committee – Wednesday 8th October – 6.45 pm
Full Council - Wednesday 8th October – 7.30 pm

TO: MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE: Councillors Billings, Knight, Roberts, Sadler, Lane, Johnston and David Marlow (non-voting member)

REMAINING MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL (for information): Councillors Brockhurst, Howells, Webb, Poole and Trott

DISTRICT WARD MEMBERS: COLLINS & GOULD