

**HUNTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING**  
**HELD ON MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2016 AT 7:30PM**  
**AT HUNTON VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT:** Cllr G Thomas in the Chair, Cllrs R Sawtell, D Heaton and A Trought and Mrs S Goodwin, Clerk.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Nine members of the public were in attendance until Item 3.

**OPEN SESSION:**

In the open session, prior to the start of the meeting, a number of parishioners raised their concerns about the planning application to be discussed in Item 5.1, including:

- The application is similar to others refused previously.
- The application refers to the appeal decision of November 1995 which has since been superseded by the July 2014 appeal decision, so the application is irrelevant.
- Nothing has changed since either appeal.
- It was clear on appeal that the permission should be for the applicant and her grandson only, not unrestricted occupancy.
- The application has been submitted within two years of the last application.
- The applicants have not complied with previous permission conditions.
- The site was put up for sale in December 2014 as a development plot, so there is no accommodation need as the applicant was willing to move elsewhere.
- The applicant does not lead a nomadic lifestyle.

The Chairman noted that the site was not in the MBC Call for Sites as MBC wanted it to be for named persons only and not a permanent site. The site is not in the Draft Local Plan.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs R Porter and S Wyles. Borough Cllr B Mortimer had also sent apologies.

**2. FILMING AND RECORDING**

No members of the public expressed a wish to present to film, record or photograph the meeting.

**3. COUNCILLOR DECLARATIONS**

**3.1 Declaration of Interests**

Cllr Sawtell declared that he would not speak on Items 5.2 and 5.3 as he is a neighbour to the applicant.

**3.2 Dispensations**

There were no requests for dispensations.

**4. MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING HELD ON 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY 2016**

The minutes of the meeting had been previously distributed and were agreed to be an accurate record. The Chairman signed the official copy of the minutes.

**5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following applications were considered and recommendations made:

**5.1 Little Clock House, George Street - 16/503625/FULL**

Removal of conditions 1 and 2 of APP/U2235/A/14/2211144 (An application to remove conditions 1 and 2 and vary conditions 3 and 4 of appeal decision dated 29<sup>th</sup> November 1995 in order to allow permanent unrestricted occupancy by gypsies and travellers and allow the stationing of five caravans (including one tourer) and the parking of four commercial vehicles.) In order to make permission permanent and limiting occupation to Gypsies and Travellers.

Parish Council recommendation: Refuse and request the application is reported to the Planning Committee.

**5.2 1 Bishops House, Bishops Lane – 16/503543/FULL**

Erection of an oak framed garden room to rear elevation.

Parish Council recommendation: Approve.

**5.3 1 Bishops House, Bishops Lane – 16/503544/LBC**

Listed Building Consent for erection of an oak framed garden room to rear elevation.

Parish Council recommendation: Approve.

**6. REPORTED PLANNING DECISIONS**

The following decisions received from Maidstone Borough Council were **Noted**:

**6.1 The Chances, Lughorse Lane - 15/506338/FULL**

Permanent siting of one static and one touring caravan for residential use by Romany gypsies.

Parish Council recommendation: Refuse and request the application is reported to the Planning Committee.

Maidstone Borough Council recommendation: Granted planning permission.

**6.2 Wilsons Yard, George Street - 15/509819/FULL**

Demolition of existing commercial buildings on the site and the construction of 3 pairs of semi-detached dwellings alongside associated parking, access and landscaping works on the land at Wilsons Yard, Hunton.

Parish Council recommendation: Refuse and request the application is reported to the Planning Committee.

Maidstone Borough Council recommendation: Application withdrawn.

**6.4 Smithfield House, West Street - 16/500859/FULL**

Minor material amendment to application MA/12/2207 for erection of a replacement dwelling, detached garage and creation of new access – showing reduction to the footprint of the proposed development. Including annex removed leaving a small utility area; layout amended as extra space is no longer needed; entrance portico simplified to show cantilevered canopy and parapet feature to gable ends omitted.

Parish Council recommendation: No objection.

Maidstone Borough Council recommendation: Granted planning permission.

**6.5 Land at South end of Water Lane – 16/501603/FULL**

Erection of outdoor manege.

Parish Council recommendation: No objection, subject to avoiding the footpath.

Maidstone Borough Council recommendation: Granted planning permission.

**There being no further planning matters to be discussed, the meeting closed at 8:40pm.**