

FLETCHING PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF FLETCHING PARISH COUNCIL - Friday 20th

August 2021, 6.30pm Fletching Parish Church.

Members of the Public in Attendance: 0

Questions RECEIVED from the Public: None

Members in Attendance: Cllrs Rothery (Chair), Greenish (Vice-Chair), Collum, Hannay, Minch, Borton Lorna Thwaites, Clerk and RFO. This meeting was recorded.

296. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence as reported at the meeting:
Cllrs Constantinou, Shaw and Kerwood and District Cllr Galley.

297. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of items on the Agenda, as required by the Members Code of Conduct: Cllr Rothery declared that his daughter has a temporary summer job working at Denniker Farm Shop and would not discuss or vote on the application. The Council RESOLVED that Cllr Rothery did not need to leave the meeting room and would Chair the meeting but not vote or comment on the application.

298. COUNCIL MEMBERS RESOLVED TO SUPPORT THE PLANNING APPLICATION FOR DENNIKER FARM SHOP AND THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS WERE AGREED FOR SUBMISSION TO WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL:

i. WD/2021/1409/F DENNIKER FARM SHOP, RUSTON BRIDGE ROAD, FLETCHING, TN22 3SH (Expiry date comments: 25 Aug 2021) PROPOSED SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION TO EXISTING FARM SHOP AND ERECTION OF BUILDING TO BE USED AS A COVERED EXTERNAL SEATING AREA

Comments AGREED by FPC:

There are concerns over the extension of the development site by the construction of a substantial open barn as a covered external seating area in the adjoining green field paddock. Fletching Parish Council (FPC) would prefer this to be kept within the existing curtilage. It is noted that there has been no assessment of the impact of potential for increased traffic through Fletching Village in consequence of the development. Fletching High Street is at times highly congested. FPC would prefer a traffic assessment is carried out. If Wealden District Council is minded to grant consent, FPC would like to see conditions imposed (i) to maintain the shop/café as a single unit (ii) to restrict uses within Class E (iii) to restrict site opening hours to normal opening hours (8am to 6pm).

299. THE MEETING CLOSED at 19.14