

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING
COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25th MAY 2005 AT EASTRY VILLAGE
HALL AT 6.15pm**

Present: Councillors Sam Shevde (Committee Chairman)
Sheila Smith
Sandra Hooper

Iris Mollart
Margaret Pemble

Sarah Wells Clerk to the Parish Council

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Cllr Hooper and seconded by Cllr Mollart that Cllr Shevde remains as Chairman. There being no other nominations this was put to the vote, all agreed.

2. APOLOGIES

Cllrs Jones & Carr

3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) DOV/05/00238

Proposal: Retrospective application for change of use of land to domestic garden, and erection of shed, propane gas tank and double garage

Location: Walton Lea, Sandwich Road, Eastry

The Committee wished to object to this application on the following grounds:

i)The change of use of adjoining land to land for use as a private garden would extend domestic activities into the country side to the detriment of its rural character and appearance. This is contrary to Policy CO1 of the Dover District Local Plan and Policies RS1, RS5 and ENV1 of the Kent Structure plan.

The Committee also pointed out that the access that was refused planning permission as part of application DOV/04/00756 is still in constant use.

b) Pre-Application consultation with Eastry Parish Council

Re Proposed HG3 base station at: Redlands, Thornton Lane, Eastry Kent CT13 0EU

After a lengthy debate the committee agreed to object to this application on the following grounds.

i) There are already two mobile phone masts on this site. One of which is clearly visible about the tree line on a site that is on the boundary of a Special Landscape area. The proposal is that this new mast will be even higher this will have an adverse effect on the visual impact of this area.

ii) The perceived health risk of one mobile phone mast are bad enough, this application will increase this perception three fold. Regardless of the assurances that this will produce low level

emissions, public perception will be that 3 time low level emissions must be high level emissions.

c) DOV/05/00550

Proposal: Erection of single story detached building to provide home office and double garage

Location: Crossways Cottage, Dover Road, Eastry

The committee wished to strongly support this application, they feel this development will improve the visual impact of the area and will not have a detrimental effect on the neighbouring properties or area. The committee did not feel that the loss of one Holm Oak in this highly wooded area would have a detrimental effect on the area, especially as the applicant has agreed to plant a new tree in a more suitable location.

d) DOV/03/01529A

Proposal: Amendments to scheme to erect a side extension to the existing building separated by 6.09 meters

Location: Part of Poison Cross Nursery, Eastry

The committee agreed to positively support this amendment.

e) DOV/04/01520

Proposal: Siting of a mobile home for use as a agricultural dwelling and parking and turning area (amendments to access)

Location: Site opposite Ham Manor, Ham

The committee agreed to support this amendment, it was felt the new entrance would greatly improve the site lines for traffic leaving the site.

f) DOV/05/00567

Proposal: Erection of pitched roof over existing flat roof building

Location: The Cross, High Street, Eastry

The committee agreed to positively support this application. It was felt the new design was far more in keeping with the surrounding area than the existing.

3. PLANNING DECISIONS

None

4. PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

None

The meeting closed at 6.45pm