

**REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 4th SEPTEMBER 2007 AT OLD MILL HALL, GROVE**

Present: Cllr J M Stock (Chairman)
Cllr A Harker (part meeting)
Cllr W R Ackers
Cllr S K Dexter
Cllr W Evans
Cllr D M Hadcroft (part meeting)
Cllr P L Hadcroft
Cllr F D Parnell
Cllr H Webb
Cllr I Woodbridge

In attendance: Mr M Gilbert - Development Control Manager VWHDC – item 3

Clerk: Mrs C J Parry

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M Mellersh.

2 Declarations of Personal or Personal and Prejudicial Interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting

Cllr Dexter declared an interest in GRO/20249 and Cllr Woodbridge declared an interest in GRO/20265.

Cllr Harker arrived

3 Presentation on planning issues and procedures by Mr M Gilbert

The chairman welcomed to the meeting Mr Mike Gilbert, Development Control Manager at the Vale. He passed around handouts of his presentation and proceeded to explain planning procedures and issues and answer questions posed by members.

The chairman thanked Mr Gilbert for his informative and useful presentation.

Clerk The clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks to Mr Gilbert.

4 Report of committee meeting held on 14th August 2007

It was **MOVED** the chairman and **RESOLVED** unanimously.....

“...that the report be signed as a true record of the meeting.”

5 Matters arising from previous meeting

There were no matters arising.

6 Planning applications considered

GRO/19143/2 **5A KINGFISHERS**
(*Re-submission*) Erection of a new dwelling on land at 5A Kingfishers

It was noted that a previous application for development on this site had been dismissed on appeal and members expressed their disappointment that the applicant appeared to have taken little notice of the appeal's outcome.

Comment: We object on the grounds of over-development of the eastern end of Kingfishers.

The proposed house would be closer to the road than any other property in the immediate vicinity and as such would become an over dominant feature and harm the open appearance and character of Main Street.

With no off-street parking provided in the proposals, this could lead to increased pressure on parking in what, at peak times, is a very crowded road.

Following recent flooding in some parts of Kingfishers it was generally felt that any additional development in the area could increase the risk of further flooding.

GRO/19923/1
(Re-submission)

24 CHURCHWARD CLOSE

Erection of a rear double storey extension, including building above existing conservatory and single storey extension to rear of garage

Comment: No objection.

GRO/20193

RAFTERS, CANE LANE

Extensions and alterations to bungalow to include ground and first floor extensions. Extension to carport to form storage area in place of existing shed

Comment: No objection.

GRO/20249

24 WICK GREEN

Erection of one detached two-storey residential dwelling with garaging

Comment: No objection.

***Clerk's note:** Since the Design and Access statement attached to the application stated "the garden will allow sufficient car standing/turning space for vehicles to be able to leave in a forward facing direction via the existing access", I have omitted the concerns regarding access, which were expressed at the meeting, from our observations.*

Cllr D Hadcroft left the meeting

GRO/20265

37 NORTH DRIVE

Proposed first floor extension over existing flat roof extension

Comment: No objection.

7 Decision notices

Permitted: GRO/716/6, GRO/3429/10, GRO/5570/2, GRO/5922/9, GRO/5922/10-LB, GRO/20159.

Clerk

The clerk was asked to check the Vale's web site as and when applications were referred to the Development Control Committee for consideration, to ensure that the parish council's comments were recorded accurately on the agenda.

8 Communications

There were no communications.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Confirmed 25th September 2007

Chairman