

SHEET PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Ron Dark

CLERK: Jenny Hollington

Minutes of a Meeting of Sheet Parish Council held on Monday, 14th December 2015 at 6.00 p.m. at Sheet Village Hall

Present: Cllrs. Ron Dark (in the Chair) Tony Clear Will Glancy
 Brian Bird Gail Martin Robin Forrest
 Alan Biddlecombe

In Attendance: Jenny Hollington, Clerk

There were 6 members of the public in attendance.

15/274 **Apologies** – Apologies had been received from Cllr. Clarke

15/275 **Declarations of Interests** – None declared

15/276 **Public Comment** – Comments were received with regard to planning application SDNP/15/06052/APNB – Prior Notification – Agricultural barn for hay storage – Land south of School Lane, Sheet.

The following concerns were raised by residents of Town Lane:

- This land, once a meadow, is now a small holding or “hobby farm” – in order to qualify for an agricultural prior notification, any development should be shown to be necessary for the purposes of the holding. As the hay is to be imported and sold off site, the building is not considered necessary for the purposes of agriculture on Broadlands Meadow.
- The applicant proposes to bring in hay from other sites for selling on to third parties. This will increase the amount of traffic and have a detrimental effect on Town Lane, an unclassified road. In particular, there is no turning circle and the access is unsuitable for large vehicles designed to carry hay. The junction of Town Lane from Inmans Lane is often reduced to single file traffic, because of parking associated with the small businesses on the corner.
- The size of the barn is disproportionate for the size of the proposed business and will be highly visible from the road. It is over development of a small site and will have a damaging effect on the landscape.
- It was queried whether planning permission would be required, as opposed to an APN, as this is proposed development on land which is not currently used in connection with a retail unit?
- If approval is given for the barn, it will further erode the Petersfield/Sheet Gap
- There are TPOs on trees across the land. Any further development on the site would damage root zones of protected trees and needs to be taken into consideration.

15/277 **Planning** – Current planning applications were discussed:

SDNP/15/06052 /APNB	Prior Notification – Agricultural barn for hay storage	Land south of School Lane, Sheet	Objection (see comments below).
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Following discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council would object to the above prior notification on the following grounds – size and appearance of the barn, highways issues, history of the site, and concerns that this would constitute a change of use of the land.

15/278 **Date of next Meeting** – The next Meeting of the Parish Council will now be held on Wednesday, 30th December at 7.30 p.m. to discuss a recently received planning application for 23 Pulens Lane.

The meeting closed at 6.22 p.m.