

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BALCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL (BPC) HELD REMOTELY
ON WEDNESDAY 26 AUGUST 2020 AT 8.00 PM USING ZOOM**

Present: Malcolm Kenward (MK), Sue Taylor (ST), Simon Greenwood (SG), Jon Millbank (JM) [Chair], Charles Metcalfe (CM) [Late] and Helen Caudrey (HC)
In attendance Jemma McCarthy (JsM) Clerk to the Council.

00152. Declarations of personal or pecuniary interest

Cllr SG declared a prejudicial interest in Item 4 (Planning – Last adj to Nostel Cottages DM/20/2593 and DM/20/2722) and a personal interest in Item 4 (Planning - DM/20/2193).

00153. Apologies for Absence

Lloyd Thompsett (LT), Henry Le Fleming (HLF), Alison Stevenson (AS), Jackie Emery (JE), Nicky Gould (NG)

00154. Planning – applications considered

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| DM/20/2464 Demolition of existing redundant farm buildings and temporary accommodation and their replacement with a single dwelling with associated landscaping. Forest Farm Paddockhurst Lane Balcombe Haywards Heath West Sussex RH17 6QZ |
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| <i>BPC Response: The Balcombe Parish Council has no objections to this application. However, Balcombe Parish Council would appreciate if the applicant could give consideration to the installation of a charging point for an electric car and consideration of conformation to the lifetime home standards.</i> |
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| DM/20/2646 T1 Oak - reduce branch closest to neighbouring property back to fork (2nd upright secondary branch. Reduce branch closest to house (lowest secondary branch) back to forlk. Reduce lower crown by up to 3m. Woodstock Oldlands Avenue Balcombe Haywards Heath West Sussex RH17 6LW |
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| <i>BPC Response: Balcombe Parish Council defer to the tree officer on this application.</i> |
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At this point Cllr SG was placed into the Zoom waiting room to avoid any conflict of interest during the discussion of the following applications:

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| DM/20/2722 T1 Oak - crown reduction to a maximum of 2 metres and removal of epicormic growth and side branches from the main trunk up to the base of the crown. Land Adj To 3-4 Nostel Priory Cottages Haywards Heath Road |
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| <i>BPC Response: Balcombe Parish Council object to this application to reduce the oak. The Council notes that this tree is a significant feature to the lane and feel that the scope of reduction to the tree as proposed in the application would have an adverse impact to the outlook of the lane.</i> |
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| DM/20/2593 T1 Oak - fell. Land Adj To 3-4 Nostel Priory Cottages Haywards Heath Road: |
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| <i>BPC Response: Balcombe Parish Council object to this application to fell the oak. The Council notes that this tree is a significant feature to the lane and feel that the removal of the tree as proposed in the application would be a significant loss.</i> |
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Cllr SG was invited back into the zoom meeting.

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| DM/20/2193 Demolition of the existing barn. Erection of a 3 bedroom residential dwelling, detached garage and walkway New Barns Brantridge Lane Balcombe Haywards Heath West Sussex RH17 6JP |
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| <i>BPC Response: The Balcombe Parish Council has no objections to this application.</i> |
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However, Balcombe Parish Council would appreciate if the applicant could give consideration to the installation of a charging point for an electric car and consideration of conformation to the lifetime home standards.

00155. Update on Village Centre Enhancements

Traffic working group have received an updated scheme from The Project Centre that addresses issues raised following the first RSA report.

The Project Centre is now requesting approval to invoice for this works far – resolved to put the costing proposal and request for payment on the agenda for September 9th.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

**THE NEXT REGULAR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY
9 September 2020 AT 8.00 PM HELD AT AN APPROPRIATE VENUE (TBD)**

Signed..... Date: 9 September 2020