

**Benenden Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee Meeting**  
**held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017, 8:30am, at Benenden Village Hall**

Present : Cllrs Barker, Davies and Henning.

In attendance : Caroline Levett, Clerk; 3 members of the public were present

1. Apologies : Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Thomas.
2. Declarations of Interest: No declarations of interest.
3. Minutes of 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017: The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by Cllr Barker.
4. Planning Applications

Parishioners were present to express their concerns regarding application 17/01453, and the possible impact on Goddards Green, public footpath WC341 and a number of ancient trees.

Cllr Barker explained that a formal application would have to be made to Kent County Council to divert the path.

Parishioners were urged to make their views known to TWBC.

<b>Application</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Committee Recommendation</b>
17 01453 FULL	Martins Fruit Packers Goddards Green Road	Reduction in size and conversion of a redundant agricultural building with change of use to residential (C3)	Unanimously support but notes that a public footpath runs on land within the boundaries of the application on the north side. The Parish Council urges TWBC to make it a condition that this footpath is preserved unimpeded and the hedge between the property and the footpath retained.
17 01449 FULL	Moat Bungalow Cranbrook Road	Construction of single storey replacement dwelling	Unanimously support.
17 01598 FULL	White Cottage New Pond Road	Part change of use and conversion of detached garage/store ancillary building to create holiday let accommodation	Unanimously support.
17 01757 FULL	Waters End Farm Standen Street	Retrospective – change of use from storage of fish farm equipment to drilling equipment associated with geothermal waterwell and exploration drilling	Unanimously support.

5. Other Planning Matters :

A meeting was held on 25<sup>th</sup> May to discuss a Neighbourhood Plan for Benenden. Cllr Davies had also attended a KALC workshop, and will circulate details.

TWBC Local Plan was discussed at the most recent KALC Area meeting. It was felt that the Parish Council should

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comment, and will be further discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.

6. Highways Matters :

Cllr Barker has yet to find the sort of speed device that the Parish Council is looking for and will continue to look.

7. Correspondence : No other items of correspondence

8. Date of Next Meeting : The next scheduled meeting is Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017. Cllrs Barker and Davies are unable to attend. It was therefore agreed that the next meeting will take place on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Any planning applications requiring attention will be discussed via email, at the July Parish Council meeting, or extensions to the comment due by date sought.

The meeting closed at 9:15 am

Caroline Levett, Clerk to the Council, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017