Haighton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4th October 2021. The meeting had to be held by phone and e-mail owing to the high rates of Covid infections (one in 70 people in England), the declining protection of the vaccinations and the fact that we cannot ensure social distancing at our current venue.

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- Best Kept Village Competition: Haighton did well in the first round of judging, but did not go further than the second round.
- CPRE: news of the success of their recent campaign (which HPC supported)- the Government have abandoned their proposal to deregulate the Planning System, so local communities will continue to be consulted on planning applications.

Planning:

Applications:

- 06/2021/1044: Outline permission for 5 dwellings seeking approval for access and layout, Sumners Farm, Cow Hill. Following consultation of all members, there was unanimous objection to this proposal. The situation was made more difficult because of PCC's approval of the 3 dwellings in open countryside at Whinfield Cottage. However, HPC's response cited the refusal for 3 dwellings at Haighton Cottage and the verdict of the Planning Inspector when the applicant appealed the refusal. The Inspector said that the Policies in the Local Plan, especially Open Countryside should 'not be set aside lightly' and dismissed the Appeal. We await the decision which is important because approval would encourage other landowners to expect to gain permission for future greenfield developments.
- 06/2021/1061: Variation in condition 2 of planning permission 06/2021/0238 for 2 dwellings to include changes to fenestration and addition of a chimney stack, solar panels, etc, to the two dwellings which have gained approval at The Paddock, Whinfield House. Owing to the relatively trivial nature of this proposal, the Clerk did not consult the members, and did not respond to PCC.
- 06/2021/1137: As for 06/2021/1061, above, for the third dwelling at The Paddock, Whinfield House.
- 06/2021/1250: Addition of a leisure wing to be linked to the house to provide a pool and a gym with other functions ancillary to the main house, Haighton House, Cow Hill. There were objections to this proposal. Owing to its low-profile design it should not detract from the appearance of Haighton House, nor affect any neighbouring properties, eg Gerard Hall.
- 06/2021/1251: Listed Building Consent for the above proposal at Haighton House. The plans indicated that the existing building would not be significantly affected by the proposed leisure wing.

Approvals:

- 06/2021/0370: Extension to Agricultural building (revised proposal), Park House Farm.
- 06/2021/0631: Listed Building Consent for refurbishment works at Haighton Hall.
- 06/2021/0638: 1 new dwelling at land adjacent to The Paddock, Whinfield Cottage.
- 06/2021/0817: Outbuilding to rear at Cow Hill Barn.
- 06/2021/0893: Renewed application after expiry of permission for 2 storey dwelling at Haighton Barn.

Refusals: None

Withdrawals: 06/2021/1044: Outline permission for 5 dwellings seeking approval for acccess and layout, Sumners Farm, Cow Hill. Appeals: None.

Meetings: None

Accounts: Nothing to report.

AOB: No issues were raised by any councillor, nor any member of the public.