

Minutes of the Special Planning Meeting of Brightling Parish Council held on
Wednesday 30th September 2020 at 7.30 p.m. via Zoom video conference

Parish Councillors present: Cllrs Caroline Croft, Daniel Lambert-Gorwyn, Dianne Mower,
Andrew Wedmore (Chair), Jane Oxenford, Judy Petty

Parish Councillors absent: Cllr Wrenn

In attendance: Gilly Lowe, Clerk to the Council and 1 Member of the public

1. Apologies for absence
None
2. Declarations of interest
Cllr Mower declared a private interest as she looks onto the property in question.
3. Planning Application Ref: RR/2020/1532/P located at Coldharbour Farm, Battle Road,
Brightling TN21 9LQ was discussed. Adrian Moore, representing the applicant, stated that
the variations in the application were borderline minor amendments, but they had
decided to make a new application after discussion with the Rother Planning
representative in order to allow for public comment. Cllr Wedmore as chairman asked
for individual comments from councillors present and the overwhelming concern was
about light escaping from the newly proposed roof lights, whilst understanding the
requirement, in order to provide natural light within.

Cllr Wedmore proposed the motion to support the application with the following
conditions:

a) all the existing conditions to be maintained and enforced

*(b) Brightling Parish Council would like there to be no external lighting in accordance with
Brightling's "Dark skies" policy. However if Rother are minded to allow some lighting, then we
would want all lights to be off outside the allowed operating hours, and there to be no movement-
triggered lighting or similar (if they need security, there are much less intrusive ways of achieving
it). Also the allowable lighting levels should be specified in lumens (the true measure of light
intensity) not watts (with LED lighting a very bright light can be achieved from very few watts).*

*(c) that the proposed roof lights are equipped with blinds and there must be a condition that the
blinds are actually always used after dark to prevent light escaping.*

Cllr Lambert-Gorwyn seconded this proposal and the motion was carried unanimously.

The Clerk was asked to submit the comments online.

4. The meeting was closed.

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Signed (Chairman)

Date