

BARKHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Planning Committee

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Minutes of meeting of the Barkham Parish Council Planning Committee held on 14th April 2009 in Barkham Village Hall at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Mr. F.A. Scott, (in the Chair), Mr. S. Goldring and the Clerk.

Apologies: Mr. L. Heath (on holiday)

09/266 **Minutes** of meeting held on 24th March 2009 were approved and signed as a true record.

09/267 Planning

F/2009/0488	50 Bearwood Road Proposed erection of single storey shop unit with two storey three bedroom dwelling plus detached four bed dwelling and garage, with creation of new access from The Lilacs and demolition of existing house and shop.	Delegated
To be discussed at the full Council Meeting.		
F/2009/0638	35 Valon Road, Arborfield Proposed single storey extension to dwelling to create a link to existing outbuilding.	Delegated No Comment
F/2009/0575	Meadowcroft, Wood Lane, Barkham Proposed change of use of barn to stables and variation of agricultural occupancy condition (Condition 3 of planning Permission 97/65655/F) to include equestrian use.	Delegated Opposed

Clerk to write to WBC opposing this application and to bring this application to the full Council. The site of Meadowcroft originally housed a mobile home which was replaced with a large house when the applicant wished to keep ostriches, this business soon proved not to be viable. At the time of that application, BPC questioned the viability of the enterprise and drew WBC's attention to the disparity between the size of the proposed house and the scale of the proposed business and it opposed that application on those grounds. Now the applicant wishes to keep liveries. BPC sees this as a continuation of the creeping development and is opposed to it on these grounds too.

On examining the plans an email from the Planning Officer at WBC to the agent was noted which states "I can confirm that the planning authority would be happy to amend the occupancy condition to equestrian". It would appear from this email that WBC have in effect given approval before any consultation has been concluded. The Planning Committee to seek the advice of Mrs Stubbs as Borough Councillor.

F/2009/0104	Meadowcroft, Wood Lane Proposed change of use of barn to stables.	Withdrawn
F/2008/1658	Land North of Barkham Manor, Hayes Lane Proposed erection of manege with enclosed post and rail fencing for private use only.	Appeal Lodged With Planning Inspectorate
F/2009/0003	Land North of Barkham Manor, Barkham Road Proposed erection of manege.	Appeal Lodged With Planning Inspectorate

Clerk to write to the Inspector opposing both of these applications as before and endorsing WBC comments for refusal.

F/2009/0199	Pickwick, School Road Proposed erection of detached garage to rear of dwelling.	Approved
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Meeting closed at 7.30 p.m.