



**MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING MEETING  
HELD 09 OCTOBER, 2018 AT PLUMPTON VILLAGE HALL**

**ATTENDED**

**Councillors**

Catherine Jackson (Chair)  
Gail Murphy  
Nick Satchel  
Paul Stevens

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**NOTES OF MEETING / ADVISORY NOTES TO LDC**

**Reference:** LW/18/0700

**Location:** The Southern Stables, Ashurst lane, Plumpton Green

**Proposal:** Proposed residential conversion and extension of redundant former stable blocks to provide a single residential dwelling with ancillary annexe.

**There were no declarations of interest.**

**Decision:** Council supported this proposal with no comments.

**Reference:** LW/18/0472 (as revised)

**Location:** Land at Western End of Riddens Lane Plumpton East Sussex

**Proposal:** Outline planning application for up to 20 dwellings (including 40% affordable), access, landscaping, footpath diversion and associated infrastructure (Amended route for Public Footpath)

**Declarations of interest:** Cllr Nick Satchell declared an interest.

**Decision:** Council ratified the response to the amended proposal as detailed below.

With respect to the concerns outlined in our response to the initial application, the revised plans completely ignore our main objection to the proposed development: that it increases the number of housing units from 16 to 20, which conflicts with the Plumpton Parish Neighbourhood Plan.

We consider this a material consideration:

- It is not sustainable for LDC to ignore a NP plan that has been assessed as sustainable and adopted by due legislative process
- It sets a precedent for all developers to increase their housing units beyond the constraints imposed by the Plan
- This is already a very unpopular site - residents are concerned about traffic and highway safety issues, due both to the single-lane access and its intersection at an already very busy junction with Station Road, where visibility is frequently limited by vehicles of people either delivering to or using the shop and post office. Any increase in traffic to and from the site materially increases the risks associated with those issues.
- the SHLAA assessment was for 15 dwellings\_
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We are pleased that the developers have decided to reroute the footpath so it is not within the highest-risk Flood Zone 3. However, we ask who will own the small patch of land that is below the footpath and who will be responsible for its maintenance?

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We also regret the failure to address the lay-out of the site, which deliberately separates the 'affordable' homes from the larger, more expensive units. We regard this as against the spirit of the requirement to include a number of 'affordable homes' within developments to ensure rural communities maintain a mixed population as to age, class and income.

### **ABBREVIATIONS USED**

LDC = Lewes District Council

PPC = Plumpton Parish Council

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