



**MINUTES OF PLANNING MEETING
HELD ON 31ST JULY, 2010 IN THE VILLAGE HALL,
PLUMPTON GREEN**

PRESENT:

Mrs B Watson
Mrs S Angel
Mrs S Akers
Mr T Thompsett
Mrs K Wride

1. APOLOGIES

Mrs C Eastwood, Mr R Taylor, Mr R Stone

2. MINUTES:

None to sign

The following applications had been granted:

LW/10/0568 Fyndings, Station Road, Plumpton Green.
LW?10/0676 School House, Station Road, Plumpton Green.

Letter regarding retrospective planning at Heath Farm,
Plumpton Green.

**3. PLANNING
APPLICATIONS**

The following application was discussed:

LW/10/0874 Half Moon, Plumpton. Change of use of shop
serving former petrol filling station to A1 retail unit and
associated access arrangements for Mr Short.

PC believe it is a good idea for the dilapidated building to be
repaired and improved.

They believe there are several issues which should be given
consideration.

Highways: The building is situated on a very dangerous part of
the B2116 where there have been many accidents. PC has
been in consultation with Highways for many years to have
additional signage and a traffic calming system, but this has
been denied. They have concerns about the junction,
particularly drivers suddenly coming across a shop they may
want to use, and not being able to access it safely, after the
dangerous bend.

PC has concerns about where customers may park even
though it is noted that there is provision. They do not believe
that parking in the pub car park will be enforceable; it would be
prudent to have signage, but PC do not think A boards are
suitable, they are temporary and could blow over. There is also
the question of unloading and loading and it is unrealistic to
think that vehicles involved would always use the pub car park.

The posts that have been erected outside the building by Highways have been knocked down several times and Highways have said they will not be replacing them. It is hoped that Planning will consult Highways on this application.

Ownership: It is understood that this is not relevant to any planning on the building. However, the PC have spent over a year trying to ascertain current ownership to no avail, having consulted the Land Registry, LDC Legal and a Lewes Solicitor who dealt with the affairs of previous owners who are deceased. PC consulted LDC planning in 2009 to ask if the building could be tidied up, but this was not allowed by Cabinet. It is understood that there is a £60,000 charge on the property to PACE Petroleum.

PC think that the condition to tie the shop to the pub is important, particularly if there is a future change in ownership. It is hoped that the owners of the pub would manage and run the proposed shop.

CHAIRMAN

THESE MINUTES ARE IN DRAFT FORM AND WILL BE RATIFIED AT A MEETING ON 14th SEPTEMBER, 2010.

