

Findon Parish Council

**Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held
6 February 2025 at 7.30 pm at Nescote Hall**

Present: Cllrs Hellett (Chairman), Wilson, Gilbert, Peskett, Dean, and Kenna.

In Attendance: Clerk Fiona MacLeod.

Item No		<u>Action By</u>
P 25.11	To receive and note apologies for absence	
	Apologies were received and noted from Cllrs Smith and Whitby.	
P 25.12	Chairman’s announcements	
	Application SDNP/23/04993/FUL land at Elm Rise would be considered at the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) Planning Committee on 13 February 2025 and Cllr Smith would speak to object. It was noted that reference to the FPC strong objection response published in January 2025 was omitted from the SDNPA Officer report and that new documents had since appeared on the SDNPA Public Access System.	
P 25.13	To sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting 9/1/2025	
	It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2025 be signed as a correct record.	
P 25.14	Declarations of Interest	
	Cllrs Gilbert and Kenna declared a personal, non-prejudicial interest in Agenda item P 25.17 application SDNP/24/04096/FUL.	
P 25.15	Update on implementation of actions	
	The report was reviewed and noted.	
P 25.16	Public Question Time (PQT)	
	None.	
P 25.17	To consider the following applications (responses to applications considered by the Planning Committee will be available to view on the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) Public Access System. https://planningpublicaccess.southdowns.gov.uk/online-applications/)	
	<p>a) SDNP/24/04096/FUL – Land west of Findon Court, Findon Road, Findon.</p> <p>Change of use to glamping site, inclusion of 4 x habitable units and creation of access track to Findon Road.</p> <p>Councillors had reviewed the planning documents and site location, noted the WSCC Highways comments, and the Bio-Diversity report. Councillors also supported the concerns raised by the Hampshire County Council Ecology Team regarding reference to managed woodland, badger setts. and wildlife corridors and how they would meet SDNPA Local Plan Policies.</p> <p>It was felt that expert advice would be required from the SDPNA and the applicant to address such concerns before responding to the application.</p>	

Signed:

Dated:

	Resolved: that the Clerk informs the SDNPA of Findon Parish Council's comments.	FM
P 25.18	To consider the options to progress SDNP/24/03396/FUL North Verge bund	
	The report (as previously circulated) with background and options was considered. Resolved: that Option B be taken forward to invite the SDNPA to accept an extension of the planning application determination deadline to allow the West Sussex County Council (WSSC) Definitive Map Modification Order to run its course over several months. The Clerk would liaise with David Hutchison.	FM
P 25.19	Strategy and Policy	
	Neighbourhood Planning and Planning Reform – the Briefing Papers was noted and Cllr Hellett provided feedback on the SDNPA workshop held on 22 January 2025.	
P 25.20	Review of the SDNPA Planning Applications List	
	The List (as previously circulated) was reviewed and decisions noted.	
P 25.21	Items for discussion (and future ratification if appropriate) at a future meeting None. The meeting closed at 8.12pm. Date of next meeting – 6 March 2025.	