

LOWER BEEDING PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Members of Lower Beeding Parish Council attended a meeting of the Planning Committee on Tuesday 15th October 2025. The meeting was held in the Church Rooms at Holy Trinity Church, Lower Beeding.

Present: Cllrs Bamford (Chair), Claridge, Allen, Keen. Dunckley.

Also present: The Clerk and Cllr Livingstone, there were no members of the public present.

MINUTES

The Chair started the meeting at 19:00 hrs.

118/25 Apologies for absence: Cllrs Smith & Fitzpatrick

119/25 Declaration of interests from members in respect to any items on the agenda.

There were no declarations.

120/25 Planning Applications:

DC/25/1146 Leonardslee Gardens Brighton Road Lower Beeding West Sussex RH13 6PP

Extension to the visitor entrance building to house a new ticket sales area and café; Infilling roof to the former generator block courtyard, re-roofing of the Alpine House and in-ternal/external reconfigurations and link extension; Single storey winter garden conservatory to the Stable Block; Terrace extension to the east and internal/ external reconfigurations; Change of use from redundant staff offices and staff accommodation within the stable block to guest accommodation including extension to Honey Cottage; Change of use to the partial first floor of the Red House to staff accommodation; Small WC extension, reinstated chimney stack, and roof alterations to the Engine House; Lightweight wedding pavilion to the lawn, south of Leonardslee House.

Landscaping changes including to the forecourt of Leonardslee House.

The LBPC made the following comments:

In principle the changes proposed to the visitor entrance and other ancillary buildings were supported however the PC voiced their concerns on the proposals to increase the accommodation in house and the scheme to increase onsite weddings. This will bring more noise and light pollution and will affect the local residents. In a recent meeting the residents were informed that there would be no further weddings to be held in-situ. Therefore, the PC voted against this planning application unless there were severe restrictions placed on the wedding venue.

i.e timing / noise and light.

Comments were also made regarding the hazards associated with the entrance and exit onto the A281 Brighton Road. The PC requested that the entrance/exit be reversed reducing the risks.

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121/25 Chair's announcements

The Chair brought up the current delay with the Stonehouse Farm Planning Application. Cllr Livingstone said he would follow up on the status and report back to the PC.

Date of the next meetings:

122/25 Planning Meeting –Tuesday 11th November 2025 at 7:00 pm to be held in the Church Rooms Holy Trinity Church, Lower Beeding.

Please note that Planning Meetings will only take place if there are any applications to review.

123/25 Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 25th November 2025 at 7:00 pm to be held in the Church Rooms Holy Trinity Church, Lower Beeding.

The meeting concluded at 19:45 hrs

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