

FERNHURST PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Planning Applications Committee took place at Fernhurst Village Hall on Monday 29th July 2013 at 6.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mrs. H. Bicknell (Acting Chairman)
Mr. R. Chapman
Mr. A. Moncreiff
Mrs. M. Timms
Mr. G. Walls

APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE:

Mrs. N. Braithwaite

SDNP/13/02668/LDE - The Barn, Surney Fish Farm, Hatch Lane, Kingsley Green, Fernhurst. Use of part of The Barn, Surney Fish Farm, Fernhurst as a residential dwelling.

It was proposed by Mr. Moncreiff and seconded by Mr. Chapman that the Parish Council responds as follows:

Retrospective application for Lawful Development certificate for the alteration of an agricultural building into residential accommodation.

Fernhurst Parish Council Planning Committee objects to this application which is end culmination of years of misbehaviour on the part of the previous owner of the barn and fish farm adjacent, Mr Mugridge. We understand from Chichester District Council that as the applicant, Mr Bruno, has been in sole residence of the barn for over 4 years he has achieved Lawful Development and nothing can be done about it but on principle we would like to register our strong objection.

The applicant, Mr Isnardi Bruno, purchased the land in question to the east of Surney Fish Farm in June 2008 from Mr Stephen Mugridge, the owner of Surney Fish Farm. Mr Bruno states that he had been renting ponds at the Fish Farm from 2004 to 2006 and moved into the house at the Fish Farm to be closer to the business, renting it from Mr Mugridge.

In 2008, Mr Bruno purchased of the land in question, together with the footings for an agricultural building (which had received Planning Permission in 2001). Mr Bruno completed the construction of the barn by October 2008 and as Mr Mugridge requested him to vacate the house at the Fish Farm, Mr Bruno adapted part of the barn for habitable occupation, completing these works in 2009. He has occupied the barn ever since as his sole residential dwelling.

Research has revealed that Mr Mugridge obtained permission for his house at the Fish Farm solely on the understanding that it was to have agricultural restrictions related to his need to oversee his Fish Farm. Fernhurst PC objected to the application but was over ruled by CDC. Mr Mugridge has since sublet his house to Mr Bruno which we believe contravenes the original restriction. Carried.

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SDNP/13/02710/HOUS - 111, Midhurst Road, Fernhurst, Haslemere. Retrospective application for bin/log store at front of house in driveway.

It was proposed by Mr. Walls and seconded by Mrs. Timms that the Parish Council has no objection to the application. Carried.