

MOUNTFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Mountfield Parish Council Meeting (Planning)
held on 9th April 2019

Present

Councillors S. Rickman-Smith (Chairman), J. Ray (Vice-Chairman),
M. Hardy, C. Hollamby, S. O'Sullivan, J. Snuggs, S. Taylor
Mrs. I. Marchant (Parish Clerk/RFO)
Members of the public

1. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS
None declared.
2. DISPENSATIONS
None requested.
3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
None.
4. OPEN FORUM
4.1 Public Question Time – no questions raised.
5. PLANNING
5.1. Planning application for consideration
[RR/2019/704/P](#) – Acorn Farm, Mountfield Lane
Proposed farmhouse.
AGREED – to object to this application.
The grounds for this are on page 2 of these minutes.
- 5.2. No other planning matters for discussion.
6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING(S)
14.05.19 – First Council Meeting (first meeting after election)
At 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

MOUNTFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING APPLICATION RR/2019/704/P – ACORN FARM

Mountfield Parish Council object to this application on the following grounds

1. We do not believe the acreage is large enough to support a farm that would need a live-in farm manager.
2. The expansion proposed is so small that it does not meet increased functional needs.
3. Temporary accommodation was built in 2013, but to our knowledge nobody has ever spent a night there.
4. There is no business plan and it does not appear to be a viable business.
5. The actual land is agriculturally poor and wet, should the applicant decide to sell the land in the future – the only real asset will be the proposed farmhouse.

Our views on this application have not changed since our objection to the previous planning application – RR/2017/7225/P.

We ask that Rother District Council refuse this application.

15th April 2019