



**Notes of the Feering Parish Council Planning Working Group
held virtually on Thursday 26 September 2024 at 10.00 am
via Teams**

**In
Attendance:**

Cllr Katherine Evans

Cllr Pam Carlaw

Cllr Bob Palmer

Cllr Paul Lees

Cllr Nathaniel

Cathy Stewart – Acting Clerk

Guest James Walker

Members of the Public: 0

1) **Sky Green Solar Farm- James Walker**

James Walker from renewable energies presented on the proposal for Skye Green Solar Farm, report available.

2) **DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS**

a) **24/01901/TPO – Annexe at Honor Point, 126 Feering Hill, Feering**

Comments by Councillors: Comments made by the Tree Warden- If all these trees have been pollarded before, I can see no reason why they shouldn't be done again this winter. So no specific advice.

Delegated response: Feering Parish Council note that the 22/02869/TPO application was for the pollarding of these sycamore & ash trees. As such, and following consultation with our Tree Warden, there appears to be no reason why the trees cannot be pollarded again.

b) **24/01988/TPOCON – Briars Cottages, The Street, Feering**

Comments by Councillors: Comments made by the Tree Warden-I can't see any issues with this application, though it's not specified how much will be taken off. Sycamores can take a fair amount of pruning and is best done in winter when the trees are dormant.

Delegated response: Following consultation with our Tree Warden, Feering Parish Council comment that sycamores can take pruning, preferably when dormant in the winter. However, the application does not specify how much the sycamores will be pruned by.

c) **24/01986/HH – 56 Sherwood Way, Feering**

Comments by Councillors: Feering Parish Council have noted BDC's refusal of the previous application 24/01606/HH. We continue to have no objection in principle to this application as the site can accommodate the extension. We have noted that the current provision is for 2 cars being able to be parked off road and we wish to see confirmation that 2 off road parking spaces will be retained.

Feering Parish Council have declared a climate emergency within the Parish and as this is a substantial proposed change to the current accommodation, we would like to see energy efficiency, energy conservation and environmental sustainability measures included, particularly within the new build area, to minimise the environmental impact on the community.

As also noted by the BDC Officer, the mature chestnut tree has been removed from the plot. Feering Parish Council would wish to see a replacement tree somewhere on the plot as part of our climate emergency declaration.

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3)

UPDATE ON APPLICATIONS APPROVED / REFUSED

Nothing to update

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be confirmed