

LINTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Cllr R.Lusty,
Chairman of the Planning Committee,
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Dear Cllr.Lusty,

Polytunnel Policy Planning Guidelines

The members of the Linton Parish Council are mindful of the recently deferred decision on the retrospective Planning Application for Polytunnels in West Farleigh and are aware of the possible development in Tunbridge and Malling at Mereworth. When the issue came up some time ago in Linton it was with some reluctance the Parish Council supported an application; there difficulty clearly being the lack of guidelines and advice on which to base any decision and ,of course, the possible commercial and employment consequences of refusal.

Parish Councillors in Linton therefore welcome the drawing up of guidelines which, it is felt, should not be just local but should have a wider/national remit in the first instance. It is important therefore that the KCC, as a matter of urgency, produce guide lines for the Boroughs on which local policy guidelines can be formulated. They also believe that Parishes should be consulted on any Guidelines before they are agreed and are prepared to contribute on an individual or collective basis to any consultation.

Please contact me should you feel I can be of any further help or you require any additional information,

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

M.D.Stevens
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