

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

Held on Thursday 25th January 2018 in Ringmer Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllr Richard Booth (Chairman), Cllr Mandy Brown, Cllr Margaret Crompton, Cllr Johnny Denis, Cllr Jenny Hill, Cllr John Kay, Cllr David Matthews, Cllr Roy Sutherland, Cllr D Terry, Cllr J Terry, Cllr Richard Turner, Cllr Ron Wilcox and Cllr Martin Whitlock

Also in attendance: Karen Crowhurst – Clerk/RFO
Corinna Goward – Assistant Clerk

Members of the public – 0

- | Item No | MINUTES |
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| 1. | APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Denis and Cllr Matthews. |
| 2. | DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS |
| 2.1 | Cllr Turner advised that as a Member of Lewes District Council's Planning Applications Committee if it is likely that an application will be called in, he will refrain from having a view. |
| 3. | MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 23RD NOVEMBER AND 14TH DECEMBER 2017 |
| 3.1 | It was resolved to accept the minutes of the meetings held on 23 rd November and 14 th December 2017, as a true and accurate record of those meetings. The minutes were then signed by the Planning Committee Chairman, Cllr Booth. |
| 4. | PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA |
| 4.1 | At 7.33pm the Chairman invited the Meeting to suspend Standing Orders, and asked for questions or comments from members of the public present. |
| 4.2 | Mr Cooper shared his thoughts and made comments on or about: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Clarification regarding the Local Plan, which the Chairman responded to– Queried item 11 on the agenda– Possibility of amending the Neighbourhood Plan |
| 4.3 | Orders were reinstated at 7.39pm |
| 5. | ACTION POINTS - UPDATES AND PROGRESS |
| 5.1 | There are currently no outstanding actions |
| 6. | CORRESPONDENCE – FOR NOTING OR ACTION |
| 6.1 | a) To consider any correspondence for noting or action, after this agenda has been published |

6.2 There was no correspondence for noting or action.

7. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

To consider Planning applications including those received after this agenda has been published– Appendix 1 (note – consult notice board and/or Clerk for further information):

7.1 **LW/18/0027 Wellingham Folly Wellingham Lane Wellingham Ringmer East Sussex BN8 5SW**
Replacement windows

7.2 **Comments and observations**

No objections, subject to the agreement of the Design and Conservation Officer as the dwelling is a listed building.

9. **PLANNING CONSENTS, REFUSALS & APPEALS RECEIVED** – further information regarding consents, refusals & appeals recorded in appendix 2

9.1 TW/17/0099/TCA Lynchetts Lewes Road Ringmer – **Consent granted**

LW/17/0573 27 Springett Avenue – **Permission granted**

LW/17/0901 6 Mill Gardens Ringmer Ringmer – **Permission granted**

LW/17/0402 Tree Tops Annexe Merlins Uckfield Road Ringmer – **Permission granted**

LW/17/0889 Oak Side Farm Green Lane Ringmer – **Permission granted**

9.2 Members noted the decisions made by Lewes District Council and highlighted and referred to tree work application TW/17/0099/TCA as the decision was to **approve** the application not refuse it as recorded on the agenda.

10. **HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING SITE CONSULTATION**

10.1 a) To agree whether to take part in the consultation

10.2 b) If in agreement to agree a response for submission by the deadline of 1st May 2018

<https://democracy.eastsussex.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cid=133&Mid=2974&Ver=4>
<https://consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk/>

10.3 Both a & b were discussed together. It was agreed that Ringmer Parish Council should respond to the consultation, especially as Lewes District Council have rolled out their new bin collection scheme. It was further agreed that Cllr Booth draft a response on behalf of the Council for the Clerk to submit by the deadline of 1st May 2018.

11. **RESPONSE TO LOCAL PLAN PART 2 CONSULTATION**

11.1 Members commended and thanked Cllr Kay for his hard work in creating a response to the Local Plan Part 2 consultation. The Clerk advised that the response has been submitted on behalf of the Parish Council and has received confirmation of safe receipt.

12. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN DEVELOPMENT**

12.1 a) Meeting regarding Bridge Farm Proposal – to agree any actions

12.2 Cllr Booth apprised Members about the meeting held with Mr Stroude which he and other Members felt had been very informative. It was reiterated as part of the discussion that the Parish Council had not made any decisions at the meeting. Advice was given as the proposed scheme is outside of the Neighbourhood Plan.

- 12.3 b) To consider issues, options as discussion or for decision or for referral to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
- 12.4 Members discussed regulations for amendments to Neighbourhood Plans in light of the content in the link <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/38/regulation/3/made>
- 12.5 Members came to the conclusion that it would be of benefit to hold a meeting with the Neighbourhood Planning Officer for Lewes District Council who could offer guidance about amending Neighbourhood Plans, and to also meet with the key Officer responsible for the Local Plan part 2. **Action – The Clerk**
- 12.6 Cllr Whitlock informed Members that he will be proposing that Lewes District Association of Local Councils hold some type of event with relevant Planning Officers to receive guidance of what is permitted and acceptable when changing a Neighbourhood Plan.

13. **ANY REPORTS (BY LEAVE) ON PLANNING MATTERS**

- 13.1
- It was confirmed that tree application TW/17/0099/TCA Lynchetts Lewes Road Ringmer was recorded as an error
 - The protection of the Ashdown Forest having an impact on housing and other development in the future. It was advised that a resolution is being sought
 - The time frame for a new pedestrian crossing
 - Attendance of one Member at a meeting with the South Downs National Park Authority to talk about their plan

14. **ITEMS FOR REFERRAL TO NEXT AGENDA OR APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE**

- 14.1 There were no times for referral.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.10pm. Date of next meeting, Thursday 22nd February, 7.30pm in St Mary's Room, Ringmer Village Hall.