

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

Held on Thursday 21st June 2018 in Ringmer Village Hall

In attendance: Cllr Richard Booth (Chairman), Cllr Mandy Brown, Cllr Margaret Crompton, Cllr Johnny Denis, Cllr Jenny Hill, Cllr John Kay, Cllr Julie Terry, Cllr Richard Turner, Cllr Ron Wilcox.

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

Members of the public – 2

Minutes

1. APOLOGIES

1.1 Apologies were received from, Cllr D Terry, Cllr Sutherland and Cllr Whitlock.

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 or make any comment.

3. MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 24TH MAY 2018

3.1 One Member of the Council made comment to the notes of the informal meeting with Bovis Homes. It was requested that the Member send any suggested alterations to the Clerk.

3.2 After a couple of amendments, it was **resolved** to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Cllr Booth made the amendments to the minutes and signed them in his capacity as the Chairman.

3.3 The Clerk reminded Members that they receive the minutes in a timely fashion and requested as she has done in the past, that any suggested alterations be sent to her in a timely manner for her consideration. The Clerk reminded Members that the minutes of meetings are the Clerks.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

4.1 At 7.40pm the Chairman invited the Meeting to suspend Standing Orders and asked for questions or comments from members of the public present.

4.2 One member of the public, who is also a District Councillor (Peter Gardiner). Provided a report about train arrangements for Bonfire Night in Lewes.

4.3 Cllr Gardiner referred to correspondence he had sent to the Clerk and other Members of the Council regarding the application at the Land North of Chapters at Bishops Lane. He informed Members about the current position and that the Planning Applications Committee will be considering the application on 27th June. Cllr Gardiner advised Members of his objections to the application.

4.4 Another Member of the Public clarified the position of one of the people who attended the informal meeting on 24th May representing Bovis Homes and advised that he supports the objections raised by Cllr Gardiner he then expressed the views of North Ringmer Residents

Groups objections.

- 4.5 Orders were reinstated at 7.45pm.
- 4.6 The Clerk requested that she comment to Council which was duly granted. The Clerk advised that she has not received any correspondence to enable her to book representation for the Parish Council when the application will be considered by the Planning Applications Committee on 27th June. Usually the information is received in a timely matter. The Clerk advised that a consultation document requesting the Council make comment on the addition documents which are shown on the website has not been received. If the District Council had requested further comments, it would have course been an agenda item. The Clerk advised that under item 6 that this could be considered, given the importance.

5. **ACTION POINTS - UPDATES AND PROGRESS**

- 5.1 a) East Sussex County Council – Waste and Minerals Consultation

5.2 This action is on-going.

- 5.3 b) Quiet Lane Status – Letter of response from Maria Caulfield MP

5.4 Members noted the letter of correspondence.

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 Members referred to the item of correspondence received by Cllr Gardiner. After a short discussion it was agreed for Cllr Kay to make representation at the Planning Applications Committee.

6.3 All Members noted the lack of correspondence from Lewes District Council advising the Council that the application which is of a large scale is being considered on 27th June which may have led to the Council not being able to comment further.

6.4 At this juncture of the meeting. Members of the Council agreed to remain after the meeting discuss the objections needed to be made at the Planning Applications Committee.

6.5 Correspondence receive after the agenda regarding a Community Infrastructure Survey and the South Downs National Park formulating a Local Heritage List, were discussed. It was agreed that no response or action needed to be taken.

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/18/0354 30 Anchor Field Ringmer East Sussex BN8 5QN – Additional documents**

Locking Display Board to provide information to patients

- 7.2 **Comments and observations**

Ringmer Parish Council have no further comments regarding this application but seek assurance that the notice board will be a subdued colour.

- 7.3 **LW/18/0441 22 Delves Close Ringmer East Sussex BN8 5JW**

Proposed loft conversion and internal alterations

7.4 **Comments and observations**

Ringmer Parish Council consider the proposed loft conversion to be overbearing and not in keeping with the street-scene. Members of the Council feel that the proposed Dormer window a very dominant feature

7.5 **LW/18/0326 Wellingham Corner Cottage Uckfield Road Ringmer East Sussex BN8 5RX**

Proposed Conversion of Garage to Granny Annex

7.6 **Comments and observations**

Ringmer Parish Council have no objections to this application. However, Ringmer Parish Council recommends a condition be imposed ensuring the annex remains for ancillary purposes.

7.7

LW/18/0399 47 Springett Avenue Ringmer East Sussex BN8 5QT

Replacement conservatory

7.8 **Comments and observations**

Ringmer Parish Council in principle have no objections to the replacement conservatory. Members would request that due consideration be given to the side wall and not allow any fenestration and also if approved and then erected ensure there is no trespassing or any encroachment to the neighbouring property

7.9 **Road Closure Consultation - Harrisons Lane Ringmer Street Party 2nd September 2018**

7.10 Members of Ringmer Parish Council have no objections to the above Road Closure.

7.11 8.15pm Cllr J Terry left the meeting.

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

8.1 LW/18/0147 Wellingham House Wellingham Lane Wellingham Ringmer – **Permission granted**

8.2 Members noted the Planning consent made by Lewes District Council.

9. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN DEVELOPMENT**

9.1 a) To consider issues, options as discussion or for decision or for referral to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

9.2 It was agreed to arrange for a Steering Group meeting in due course. Members also noted the previous decision to remain after the Planning Committee Meeting.

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

10.1 Reports were received with regard to;

- A recent Community Infrastructure Course where attendees were advised that there is further CIL funding may be available through the District Council's pot of CIL;
- Dissemination of minutes and corrections. One Member raised concerns about the type of amendments requested and the fact that some comments sent to staff which they had sight of, deeming to be too critical. The Member informed Members that if they wish to comment to minutes or make other comments, not to use the reply to all feature but reply to the Officers in order to reduce the staff and Chairs who approve the minutes seeing comments which may be derogatory;
- The possible movement of the Skate Park at Anchor Field and any clawback of funding;

- One Member attending South East Water Environment Plan Meeting, of which the plan has now been submitted. The Member of the Council advised Members of the preferred options;
- Lewes District Council stating they do not have a 5-year housing land supply. The impact and the figures for housing were explained to all.
- An item on the local news, regarding water samples being taken from the river at Piddinghoe. The purpose of the testing being for Microplastics.

11. ITEMS FOR REFERRAL TO NEXT AGENDA OR APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE

- 11.1 1) Community Infrastructure Funding and projects for application(s)
- 11.2 2) Relocation of Skate Park at Anchor Field and consider any impact to the Parish Council

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.37pm. Date of the next Planning Committee Meeting. Thursday 26th July 7.30pm, St Mary's Room, Ringmer Village Hall.