

Planning and Highways Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee held at the Council Chambers, 37 Church Street, Seaford on Thursday 1st February 2018 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Present:

Councillors, L Wallraven (Chairman), D Argent, J Elton, L Freeman, N Freeman, T Goodman, R Honeyman and A Latham Geoff Johnson - Planning Officer 3 members of the public present

P 78/02/17 Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Substitute Members

Apologies were received from the Councillors P Boorman and P Lower.

P 79/02/17 Disclosure of Interests

Councillor L Wallraven declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of the Lewes District Council's Planning Applications Committee and did not speak or vote on any item.

P 80/02/17 Public Participation

Ernie Hill referred to the wooden close boarded gate and lattice recently erected to enclose the porch at the Age Concern Shop at 6 Church Street. He complained that the gate was out of character with the property and the Town Centre Conservation Area, The Planning Officer confirmed that the complaint would be reported to Lewes D.C.

P 81/02/17 Planning Applications

Planning Applications week ending 5th January 2018

Seaford

20 Edinburgh Road

LW/17/0977

Planning Application - Construction of porch on front of house

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford

St Hilary Sutton Drove

LW/17/1054

Planning Application - Conversion of property into two dwellings, addition of second storey and internal and external alterations

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford

20 Churchill Road

LW/17/1059

Planning Application - Single storey outbuilding to house a swim-spa

and changing area

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application. The Committee commended the design of the building and considered that it's height would not have any adverse impact on the neighbouring property.

Seaford

LW/17/1061

28 Headland Avenue

Planning Application - Demolish existing conservatory and pergola and replace with a single storey rear extension with associated hard/soft landscaping

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application. The Committee considered that although it was a large extension it was situated on a large plot which could accommodate the extension without any adverse impact on the character of the property and the surrounding area

Seaford

LW/17/1062

57 Blatchington Road

Planning Application - Proposed change of use of ground floor from sui generis to residential to provide garaging and stores for existing flats including formation of new garage door

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford

LW/17/1075

15B Heathfield Road

Planning Application - Erection of self-contained dwelling

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to the application on the following grounds:-

That the grounds for refusal of the previous application (LW/17/0427) still applied.

The additional information on the likely traffic generation and noise levels did not alter the fact that the development would be unneighbourly and would cause an unacceptable level of general disturbance in the locality.

Also the amenities of the area were still adversely affected by the removal of the trees from the driveway. They should be replaced.

The proposals were still directly contrary to saved policy ST4 of the Local Plan and the granting of consent would make it more difficult for the District Council to resist similar schemes

Planning Applications week ending 12th January 2018

Seaford

LW/17/1064

14 Meads Road

Planning Application - Single storey rear extension for Ms Merritt

It was RESOLVED to SUPPORT the application

Seaford

LW/18/0002

3 Sherwood Road

Planning Application - Loft conversion including insertion of dormer

windows to side elevations for Miss V Casula

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford

LW/18/0003

14 Barn Close

Planning Application - Two storey side extension for Mr K Chinamano Planning Application - Two storey side extension

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to the application on the following grounds:-

The extension due to its scale and design would have an adverse impact on the character and appearance of the property and as the first major extension of a property in the Close it could lead to similar extensions being granted . This would have a significant adverse impact on the character of the whole Close

(The Lewes D.C website had confirmed that the application had been withdrawn on 29th January 2018 but the application was considered and comments forwarded for the District Council's information should the application be resubmitted.)

Planning Applications for 19th January 2018

Seaford

24 Stirling Avenue

LW/18/0025

Planning Application-Proposed single storey side extension and

garage conversion

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Reconsultation

Seaford

20 High Street

LW/17/0868

Listed Building Consent Application- Retention of repair works and alterations

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the Council's **SUPPORT** for the amended application. The Committee acknowledged that the flue would have some impact on the appearance of the building but that it was necessitated by the commercial kitchen at the premises

Tree Matters

Seaford

2 Hamsey Lane

TW/18/0010/TPO

Tree Works Application-Removal of Holm Oaks (T18 & T20). Holm Oak (T19) – Remove dead item and reduce canopy by 20%

It was **RESOLVED** to forward the following comments to Lewes D.C:-

The Committee noted that these were prominent trees in the locality and that the proposed works had been the subject of an objection from the neighbouring resident.

The Committee was concerned at the possibility that the condition of the two trees T18 and T20 did not justify their removal and trusted the District Council's Arboricultural Officer to give careful consideration to the application

P/82/02/17 Construction Site at Talland Parade

Members considered report 120/17 informing the Committee of the latest position with regard to the longstanding problems being caused to neighbouring residents and traders from the scaffolding enclosing this construction site and the failure to progress the development scheme approved in 2011.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED** and that the matter be placed on the agenda for the meeting on 22nd February 2018 when the Lewes District Council's Head of Planning would be attending.

P/83/02/17 Road Closure Report

Members considered report 117/17 regarding the proposed road closures to Facilitate the Italian Market taking place on Saturday 3rd March 2018

It was RESOLVED that NO OBJECTION be made to the proposed road closure

P 84/02/17 Update Report

Members considered report 113/17 informing the Committee of Lewes District Council Decisions on previous planning applications.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED** and that the Planning Officer contacts the Head of Planning at Lewes D.C to notify him of the Town Council's disappointment at the District Council's approval of the application LW/17/0929 for the change of use of the Avondale Hotel.

The meeting closed at 7.53 pm.

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Councillor L Wallraven

Chairman