

Seaford Town Council

Planning & Highways Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee held at the Council Chamber, 37 Church Street, Seaford, on Thursday, 17 May 2012, at 7 pm.

Present:

Councillor R E Allen (Chairman)

Councillors A Campbell, P Franklin, T Goodman, B Groves, A Latham, S McStravick and R Scarfe.

Mr S Cooper and Miss D Thompson 8 members of the public.

P&H001 Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Substitute members

Councillors L Wallraven, A White and I J White gave apologies for absence. Councillor T Goodman substituted for Councillor L Wallraven, Councillor P Franklin substituted for A White.

P&H002 **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 April 2012 were AGREED as a correct record and authorised to be signed by the Chairman.

P&H003 Disclosure by Members of Personal Interests

Councillor S McStravick declared a personal interest in LW/12/0440 as the applicant has provided assistance in respect of her medical impairment. Councillor S McStravick declared a prejudicial interest in item 6 of the agenda due to assisting the organisers with this Jubilee event.

P&H004 **Public Participation**

Congratulations to Councillor Latham, a new member Mr Gower

on the Planning and Highways Committee. Also has the Committee received a planning application for Threshers in Claremont Road where bollards and an

ATM have appeared?

The Chairman responded that he was not aware that such an application had been received at Seaford

Town Council or at district level.

East Sussex County Council Passenger Transport Mr Slatter

> informed Seaford Town Council at the beginning of 2012 that there would no changes in the Monday to

Friday 119 bus service, despite this there is now a 7

minute gap over the lunchtime period. This information is only relayed on a Brighton & Hove timetable received in March. Seaford Town Council have not been provided with this information. Passenger Transport have advised funding is limited, but why is there such a big difference in our town compared to somewhere like Hastings.

The Chairman responded that he would take this up with ESCC Passenger Transport.

P&H005 Planning Applications

Planning Applications week ending 20 April 2012

Seaford

152 Princess Drive

LW/12/0437

Planning Application - Convert part of garage into dining room for

Miss L Filby

Decision

No objection

Planning Applications week ending 27th April 2012

Seaford

Land Rear Of Grosvenor Lodge Wilmington Road

LW/12/0433

Planning Application - Erection of two bedroom chalet bungalow with off road parking for two cars & additional vehicular access to Grosvenor

Lodge providing parking for two cars for Mr A Partridge

Public Participation

Derek Thorne – this is a re-application from a house to a chalet bungalow, thus only a reduction of 1 m in height which brings the same objections as previously regarding overlooking and over-shadowing to neighbouring properties. Neighbours will be staring into the property's windows and vice versa. This is garden grabbing from the applicant who tried to purchase part of the garden at the end of 16 Grosvenor Road, adjacent to the proposed plot. Also there are concerns regarding the driveway for Grosvenor Lodge onto Grosvenor Road which is very close to the busy crossroads and nursing home and nursery nearby.

Decision

Recommend refusal on the grounds of overlooking, out of character, overshadowing and unneighbourly.

Seaford

Surrey Cottage Surrey Road

LW/12/0438

Planning Application - Change garage roof from a flat roof to a pitched

roof for Mr R Furner

Decision

No objection

Councillor S McStravick left the room

Seaford

24 Clinton Place

LW/12/0440

Advertisement Consent Application - Installation of one non-illuminated

2 km

fascia and one non-illuminated projecting sign for Scope

Decision

No objection

Councillor S McStravick returned to the meeting

Seaford

6 Sea Cottages 28 Steyne Road

LW/12/0444

Planning Application - Garage conversion for Mr M Hughes

Decision

No objection

Seaford

Shalom 10A Sutton Avenue

LW/12/0450

Planning Application - Creation of a new vehicular access and erection of

a boundary fence and wall for Sisters of Providence

Decision

No objection

Seaford

2 Hawth Way

LW/12/0449

Planning Application - Erection of single storey extension at rear and

front for Mr W Marshall

Decision

No objection

Planning Applications within the South Downs National Park Authority

Seaford

5 Manor Farm Buildings, Manor Yard, Bishopstone Village

SDNP/12/00

Alterations and additions to convert garage and erect link to dwelling for

29/HOUS

Mr S Gaul

Decision

No objection

Planning Applications week ending 4 May 2012

Seaford

The Pound 12 Firle Road

LW/12/0452

Planning Application - Creation of driveway and gated access for Mr A

Webb

Decision

No objection

Seaford

12 Belgrave Road

LW/12/0473

Planning Application - Changing flat roof to pitched roof at side for Mr

& Mrs Grundy

Decision

No objection

Seaford

Bowden House School Firle Road

LW/12/0477

Planning Application - Amendment to planning application LW/10/0053

to add three access ladders to the teaching building roof, widen the pedestrian/cycle path adjacent to the main entrance from 3m to 3.25m and add an area of grass re-inforcement adjacent to the site entrance for a delivery vehicle waiting area for London Borough of Tower Hamlets

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Public Participation Tony Luckin – the installation of ladders and steps make this addition unsightly and ugly. This is a false planning application; the proposed grass re-inforcement area is a parking bay for 3 cars. London Borough of Tower Hamlets have been dishonest and are deceiving the town and district councils.

Standing Order 32 was suspended to allow Mr Weinberg to speak

Alan Weinberg — these works have happened already. This is based on false information. The cycle path has increased from 3 m to 3.5 m. There was no cycle path on the original application, it was a footpath. The footpath connected to the Firle Road kerb was originally planned with a width of 1.75 m, it is actually been made to a width of 3.25 m, as a result 3 lamposts have moved 2 m closer to 112 Firle Road and 5 Bowden Rise.

Planners have asked that the footpath be amended, but neither changes to the footpath or the gate have been applied for. The grass reinforcement area has no grass, the true use of this area is for 3 cars to park. According to National Transport Policy (PPG13) restricts the parking spaces of a new development in order to reduce the need to travel by car, the allowed parking spaces is 28, however London Borough of Tower Hamlets applied for and received permission for 40 spaces. This area of established character is now a total disaster.

Elizabeth Weinberg – agrees with what Mr Luckin and Mr Weinberg have said but wishes to reinforce an objection that the position of the main entrance is too close to 112 Firle Road and is dangerous. Why is there an addition of a cycle path when there is no cycle path up Firle Road. Concerned that the East Blatchington area will lose its character.

Standing Order 32 was reinstated

Decision

Strong objection on the grounds of much work having already been carried out and should be treated as a retrospective application. The visual appearance is different to the original plan.

Seaford

25 South Way

LW/12/0480

Planning Application - Erection of a rear extension and loft conversion with installation of two front dormers for Mr G Thomas

Decision

No objection

Councillor S McStravick left the room

P&H006 Road Closure Request - Seafield Close

Members considered report 15/12.

Members raised NO OBJECTION to this request.

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Councillor S McStravick returned to the meeting

P&H007

Road Closure Request - Cycling Festival

Members considered report 16/12.

Members raised NO OBJECTION to this request.

P&H008

Road Closure Request - Olympic Event

Members considered report 17/12.

h. Wallraven 7/6/12.

Members raised NO OBJECTION to this request.

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm

Councillor R E Allen

Chairman

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