

## 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 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017.

#### Present:

Councillor R Honeyman (Vice-Chair in the Chair)
Councillors D Argent, P Boorman, D Burchett, T Goodman, A Latham and P Lower.
Geoff Johnson- Planning Officer
5 members of the public present

# P 83/02/17 Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Substitute Members

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A McLean, L Wallraven and L Worcester.

### P 84/02/17 Disclosure of Interests

Councillor P Boorman declared a pecuniary interest in application LW/786/CM and did not speak or vote on the application. He left the room shortly after the commencement of the debate.

Councillor P Boorman also declared non pecuniary interests in LW/17/0062 and LW/17/0094. He did not vote on these applications.

Councillor P Lower declared an interest in LW/786/CM and did not vote on the Application.

Councillor R Honeyman (Chair) as an employee of East Sussex County Council did not speak or vote on LW/786/CM.

# P 85/02/17 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

# P 86/02/17 Planning Applications

As there were several members of the public present to address the Committee on the following application it was **RESOLVED** that Standing Orders be **SUSPENDED** to allow it to be brought forward for debate and to allow free discussion on the application between members and the interested parties

It was reported that the application had been referred back to the Committee from the meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017 in view of the confusion and conflicting statements at that meeting, from various sources, regarding the height of the proposed building.

Seaford LW/0786/CM **Unit 3 Cradle Hill Industrial Estate** 

County Matter Application- Demolition and replacement of existing waste transfer building to enable continued use of the site as a waste transfer station

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Mr Green (accompanied by Mr Paul)

He was the joint owner of James Waste Management. He explained that the new purpose-built building would be constructed 1.5m into the ground to accommodate vehicles inside the building. All operations would be contained inside to improve amenity and help to control noise and odour problems. It would have only one entry point which would have a roller shutter door to help control noise of the operations inside. The new building would mean that there would be no ancillary uses on site and lorries would be parked at Newhaven overnight. Complications with the Waste Licensing system meant that it was difficult to move to another location. This was an established Industrial Estate. The machinery operated would be electrical rather than diesel and therefore quieter. The building would be 2.5m higher but the appearance would be vastly improved

Lynn Lawson of Gerald Road Seaford (on behalf of Madge Murdoch of 17 Kammond Avenue)

Her mother had lived at the property at Kammond Avenue for 60 years. Her bungalow is very close to the building. It will be 2.5m higher than the existing structure. It will be more intrusive due to its height and bulk. Concerned that there is minimal reference to any soundproofing of the new building in the plans. The new building will enable the business to expand but there is no consideration to the control of noise. The roller shutter door will be constantly moving up and down so will not be effective in controlling the noise of operations. Her mother had never complained about the business before but didn't deserve to have a building adjoining her garden which was 2.5 m higher.

Standing Orders were reinstated prior to the Committee considering its response to ESCC.

It was RESOLVED to SUPPORT the application on the grounds:-

- 1. That the proposed larger purpose-built building would lead to amenity improvements in the operation of the site and enable greater control of noise and odour.
- 2. That the improved appearance of the building compared to the current basic and outdated structure would help to mitigate any adverse impact on neighbouring land and property arising from the increase in height.

The County Council was also requested that, should consent be granted, priority should be given to a condition requiring the planting of fast growing trees or shrubs to assist in screening the new building from the Town Cemetery and the properties in Kammond Avenue.

Planning Applications for week ending 27th January 2017

Seaford

6 Maurice Road

LW/17/0027

Planning Application - Erection of a single storey front extension and Conversion of garage to habitable space for Mr J McCarthy.

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

Seaford

18 Kedale Road

LW/17/0050

Planning Application - Replace existing side window with fully glazed

single door and glass Juliet balcony for Mr J Klus.

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

Planning Applications for week ending 3rd February 2017

Seaford

1 Bishops Close

LW/17/0046

Planning Application - Erection of a single storey extension for Mr.I

Tridgell.

It was **RESOLVED** that due to the lack of clarity in the plans the Committee was unable to make any informed comment on the

proposed development at this stage.

Seaford

27 Bishopstone Road Bishopstone

LW/17/0059

Planning Application - Installation of raised decking at the front of the

property for Mr F Donaldson.

It was RESOLVED to SUPPORT the application.

Seaford

4 Meads Road

LW/17/0061

Planning Application - Erection of side extension at first floor level with

front dormer for Mr and Mrs Barber.

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

Seaford

Garages, Chichester Close

LW/17/0062

Planning Application - Demolition of garages and erection of two

semi-detached dwellings for Mr S Wiley.

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

Seaford

44 Kingsmead

LW/17/0070

Planning Application - Erection of two storey rear extension for

Mrs D Pallen.

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

Seaford

6 Willow Drive

LW/17/0071

Planning Application - Demolish existing porch and rebuild by

extending it by a further 1.215m for Mr and Mrs P Cole.

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

Planning Applications received week ending 10th February 2017

Seaford

35 Upper Belgrave Road

LW/17/0067

Planning Application- Erection of two storey extension for Mr J Usher.

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

Seaford

19 Pelham Road

LW/17/0093

Planning Application - Loft conversion to create one bedroom flat for JPP Ltd.

It was RESOLVED to SUPPORT the application

Seaford

5 Vale Road

LW/17/0094

Planning Application - Erection of two-bedroom dwelling with two offstreet parking places and associated landscaping for Mr S Powney.

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

- 1. That the proposed form of development was cramped and out of character with the street scene and the surrounding area;
- 2. That the proposed dwelling would have an unacceptable impact on the amenities of neighbouring properties;
- 3. That the issues in the reasons for refusal of application ref LW/15/0692 had not been resolved and;
- 4. That the proposed development was thereby contrary to policy ST3 of Local Plan.

Seaford

4 Seagrove Way

LW/17/0101

Planning Application - Garage Conversion and relocation of garage door for Mr J Green.

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

#### Reconsultation

Seaford

31 Micklefield Way

LW/16/1013

Planning Application - AMENDED PLANS - Change from first floor extension to single storey front and rear extensions (Previously considered at the meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017).

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

#### **Tree Works Applications**

Seaford

36 Blatchington Hill

TW/17/0018/TCA Remove 3 metres from the top of a group of trees (1 x Elm 6 x Bay Tree, 1 x Cherry, 6 x Leylandii) for Barbara Withers.

It was **RESOLVED** that in view of the lack of detailed information In the plan the Committee was happy for the decision to be made by the District Council's Arboricultural Officer.

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### P 87/02/17 Consultation Responses on Planning Applications

Members considered report 119/16 on guidance published by Lewes District Council on responses to consultations on planning applications.

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the report and to **ADOPT** the District's Council's guidance in the consideration of responses to future planning application.

### P 88/02/17 Update Report

Members considered report 118/16 informing the Committee of Lewes District Council decisions on previous planning applications.

It was  $\boldsymbol{RESOLVED}$  that the report be  $\boldsymbol{NOTED}.$ 

The meeting closed at 8.12pm.

Councillor R Honeyman

Chairman

