

# To the Members of the Planning & Highways Committee

(Specific councillors on Committee are to be confirmed by Full Council at its Annual Meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021.)

A meeting of the **Planning & Highways Committee** will be held at **Seaford Baptist Church**, **Belgrave Road, Seaford, BN25 3EE** on <u>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021</u> at **7.00pm**, which you are summoned to attend.

Adam Chugg

Town Clerk 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021

# PLEASE NOTE:

- Public attendance at this meeting will be limited to 14 people.
- The meeting will also be livestreamed to enable to public to watch this remotely.
- See the end of the agenda for further details of public access and participation.
- This meeting will be livestreamed and recorded to the Town Council's YouTube channel.
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# AGENDA

# 1. Apologies for Absence

To consider apologies for absence.

# 2. Disclosure of Interests

To deal with any disclosure by Members of any disclosable pecuniary interests and interests other than pecuniary interests, as defined under the Seaford Town Council Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011, in relation to matters on the agenda.

# 3. Public Participation

To deal with any questions, or brief representations, from members of the public in accordance with relevant legislation and Seaford Town Council Policy.

In accordance with Town Council policy, members of the public wishing to speak on individual planning applications may do so immediately before each planning application.

# 4. Planning Applications

### a) <u>South Downs National Park Applications</u>

### SDNP/21/02342/FUL – Exceat Bridge, Eastbourne Road, Exceat

Application by East Sussex County Council for realignment and replacement of an existing single lane bridge at the A259 over the river Cuckmere, with a new two-way, two lane bridge with a footpath, including reprofiling of the river and road embankments. Proposed provision of traffic calming measures between the Seven Sisters Country Park and Seaford. Alterations to access and provision of shared surface to east of Cuckmere Inn. Provision of a habitat creation area to restore agricultural land back into wetland on the east bank of Cuckmere Valley. The application is supported by an Environmental Statement.

See attached report on this application, report 19/21 (pages 9 to 12).

### SDNP/20/05259/LIS - Eadric House, Gratton Lane, Bishopstone Village

Listed Building Consent application for repairs to existing 4no chimney stacks. The work will include some replacement of the Caan stone with exactly the same stone and repointing with suitable lime mortar for Mr S Taylor.

#### b) LDC Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 3rd May 2021

#### LW/21/0275 - 35 Carlton Road

Part single and part double-storey side extension for D Au.

# c) LDC Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 10th May 2021

# LW/21/0261 - 3 Hawth Close

Removal of front porch, creation of two storey side and rear extension with gable end, render to each elevation of property for Mr Y Horent.

# LW/21/0187 - 127 North Way

Retrospective variation of condition 1 (plans) of application LW/19/0607 for the following changes: additional window to north elevation, replacement of windows/doors on east elevation of host dwelling with sliding patio doors, change of doors on east elevation of

extension to 1no. sliding door and raise extension height by 200mm, addition of overhang to dormer roof for Mr C Parker.

# LW/21/0190 – Pear Tree House 77 Firle Road

Two storey front extension, installation of rooflights to front plane of roof, Increase of ridge height, first floor extension above existing garage on north east elevation. Installation of 3 No. Dormers to rear including balcony for Mr J Woodman.

#### LW/21/0349 – 14 Sandgate Close

Single storey rear and side extension for Mr P Hatherley.

#### LW/21/0199 – 13 Mason Road

Replacement of single storey conservatory with single storey Orangery for Mr P March.

#### LW/21/0218 – 31 Clementine Avenue

Creation of a single storey rear extension and internal alterations for Mr & Mrs Geoghegan.

#### d) <u>Tree Applications</u>

#### TW/21/0024 - 10 Chalvington Close

T1 - Ash - fell - infected with Ash dieback. T2 - Sycamore - fell - poor specimen. T3 -Sycamore - fell - poor specimen.T4 - Ash - fell - infected with Ash dieback. T5 - Sycamore fell - tall and drawn. T6 - Holm Oak - remove deadwood and lightly shape crown by up to 2.5 metres - to maintain shape. T7 - Elm - crown lift to 4 metres, remove deadwood and crown thin by up to 15% - to allow access under tree and allow wind through crown. T8 -Sycamore - crown lift to 4 metres , remove deadwood and crown thin by up to 15% - to allow access under tree and allow wind through crown. T9 - Sycamore - crown lift to 4 metres, remove deadwood and crown thin by up to 15% - to allow wind through crown for Mr and Mrs Thompson.

# 5. <u>Talland Parade - Update Report</u>

To consider report 175/20 of the Planning Officer deferred from previous meetings providing the Committee with an update on the abandoned construction site at Talland Parade (pages 13 to 17).

# 6. <u>Crouch Lane - Request for Provision of One-way System</u>

To consider report 20/21 of the Planning Officer presenting details of a request to have Crouch Lane road made in to a one-way system (pages 18 to 19).

# 7. <u>Proposed Street Closure- Kedale Road Street Party- Saturday 11<sup>th</sup></u> September

To consider report 21/21 of the Planning Officer on this road closure application (pages 20 to 21).

**N.B** As no decisions have been notified to the Town Council since the last meeting either by Lewes District Council or the South Downs National Park Authority, there is no Update Report required for this meeting.

# AGENDA NOTES

# For further information about items on this Agenda please contact:

Adam Chugg, Town Clerk, 37 Church Street, Seaford, East Sussex, BN25 1HG Email: admin@seafordtowncouncil.gov.uk

Telephone: 01323 894 870 (please note that due to working from home, this phone line is not currently manned, so please leave a voice message and this will be picked up and forwarded to the relevant member of staff to deal with)

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OR

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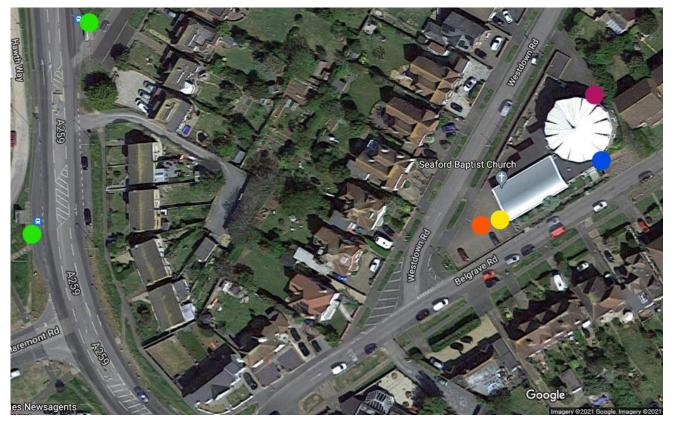
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- 2. Join a virtual Zoom meeting that will be visible to the meeting participants and will allow you to make your statement verbally to those present in the meeting, or;
- 3. If attending the meeting in person, by making a verbal statement at the meeting during the public participation section of the meeting.

Your statement should be regarding business on the agenda for that meeting.

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- 5. If there are any concerns about the nature of your submissions, officers will raise this with you in advance of the meeting where possible but the right is reserved to not read aloud all of submissions where there is a justified reason for this officers will inform you where this is the case.

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- 3. This point is usually included on the meeting agenda as 'Public Participation' although in Planning & Highways Committee meetings members of the public are also invited to speak immediately before each planning application, if they wish to.
- 4. If you are unsure of when best to speak, either query this with an officer/councillor ahead of the meeting or raise your hand during the public participation item of the meeting and ask the Chair – they will always be happy to advise.
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Zoom Meeting Link:

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Zoom Meeting ID: 972 5377 4556

Zoom Meeting Passcode: please email <u>georgia.raeburn@seafordtowncouncil.gov.uk</u> at least 24 hours before the meeting to request the passcode

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Report No:	19/21
Agenda Item No:	4a
Committee:	Planning & Highways
Date:	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
Title:	SDNP/21/02342/FUL – Exceat Bridge, Eastbourne
	Road, Exceat
By:	Geoff Johnson, Planning Officer
Purpose of Report:	To present the South Downs National Park Authority
	application for a new two-lane bridge on the A259 at
	Exceat.

The Committee is recommended:

1. To consider the application and forward a response to the South Downs National Park Authority.

# 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The planning application for the construction of the new two-lane bridge across the Cuckmere at Exceat was submitted to the South Downs National Park Authority on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021.
- The applicant is East Sussex Highways. The consultation period runs to Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.
- **1.3** The application submission lists 74 weighty documents and in view of the complexity of the application and the short time given for consultation I am setting out the main features of the scheme in plain terms below.

# 2. The Proposed Scheme

**2.1** The new two- lane bridge will cut across the river from the existing bus stop on the western side of the A259 to an equivalent distance from the current bridge on the eastern side.

- **2.2** The stretch of the A259 from the western approach to the new bridge to the foot of the hill on the eastern side of the valley close to the easternmost building of the Seven Sisters Country Park will be 30 mph limited because of the no, of pedestrians likely to be on that stretch of the road and the fact that otherwise the widening of the carriageway would inevitably lead to faster speeds.
- **2.3** New foot/cycling paths will be provided along both sides of new carriageway with observation platforms for pedestrians and cyclists to stop and take in the view up and down the valley.
- **2.4** A site compound for parking and storage of plant etc will be provided at the top of the hill just to the east of the Chyngton Road North.
- **2.5** The building scheme will be independent of the old bridge so a simple switch is possible once the new bridge is completed.
- **2.6** The new bridge will cut down pollution from queuing cars by keeping traffic flowing.
- 2.7 The current structure is beyond reasonable repair.
- 2.8 The options considered included :-
  - (a) OPTION 1-Three-way traffic lights Rejected as the existing bridge would need extensive work and continuing maintenance and the provision of lights would not resolve traffic flow and pollution problems.
  - (b) OPTION 2- A new structure close to and parallel to the existing bridge - Rejected as it would require extensive excavation on the western side to provide turning space for buses and HGVs which would in turn require a long and high retaining wall and alter the frontage of the pub.
  - (c) OPTION 2 HYBRID A new structure to the north of the existing bridge on a near-parallel alignment with the existing bridge – Accepted as it would limit land taken for turning space and the need for a large retaining wall and would also retain the current character of the area by closely matching the alignment of the existing crossing.
  - (d) OPTION 3 A new structure to the north at a more skewed angle to the existing crossing with no additional turning space /retaining wall required – Rejected as it would not be recognisable as a river crossing and offers least resemblance to the layout of the current crossing which has become a 'landmark feature'.

- 2.9 The conservation /mitigation measures include the provision of a habitat creation to restore the existing agricultural land to its natural state of wetland and provide net biodiversity gain through both protecting existing species and enhancing the habitat.
- **2.10** Most of the current hedgerows will be retained and the natural riverbanks reinstated.
- **2.11** The new bridge will be painted mid-grey.

# 3. General Information

- **3.1** There was a positive response to the pre-application consultation carried out by ESCC. 79 % of 1,008 replies were favourable but conservation issues were emphasised by those responding.
- **3.2** Bus-stop laybys are excluded from the scheme. Buses stopping on the carriageway are preferred as this acts as a traffic calming measure and buses often find it difficult to emerge from laybys due to a lack of breaks in the traffic and selfish drivers not giving way as required in the Highway Code.
- **3.3** There will be no formal zebra or pelican crossings provided for pedestrians. Instead there will simply be two new uncontrolled pedestrian crossings, with 'tactile paving, dropped kerbs and good visibility'.

# 4. Conclusion

- **4.1** There any many other interesting aspects of the application referred to in the 74 documents but it is impossible to give a comprehensive assessment of the whole complex scheme.
- **4.2** If members have any specific queries which require a response, I would be happy to contact the Case Officer at the SDNPA. If there are a number of significant queries and members consider that they cannot give a proper response to the application at this meeting it may be possible to extend the consultation period to allow further discussion at the meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> June. Currently however the consultation deadline is Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

# 5. Financial Appraisal

**5.1** There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report.

# 6. Contact Officer

Planning Officer	GJAMM
Town Clerk	AMA



Report No:	175/20
Agenda Item No:	5
Committee:	Planning & Highways
Date:	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
Title:	Talland Parade Update Report May 2021
By:	Geoff Johnson, Planning Officer
Purpose of Report:	To provide the Committee with an update on the development and scaffolding at Talland Parade, Seaford

The Committee is recommended:

- 1. To note the report and adopt it as the Town Council's position statement.
- 2. To agree to request a meeting with Lewes District Council to discuss a possible joint approach to securing a permanent solution to the problem.

# 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The condition of the development site at Talland Parade and the scaffolding in particular is still causing numerous complaints from residents and is still blighting this area of the Town Centre. It is now ten years since consent was granted under LW/11/1321 for the construction of an additional floor and the provision of 10 one-bed flats above the ground floor shops.
- 1.2 In 2018 the Town Council persuaded Lewes District Council (Lewes DC) to take formal action against the site owners under s.215 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 requiring the site to be tidied and for the scaffolding to be removed as it appeared at that time that work on the site had ceased.
- **1.3** The owners countered by resuming the construction work thus justifying the retention of the scaffolding.

- **1.4** Following the resumption of work applications were submitted by the owners for minor amendments to the approved plans giving the impression of a genuine intention to complete the scheme. However early in 2019 work ceased and the case was again taken up by Lewes DC.
- **1.5** Since that time there have been continuous efforts by Lewes DC to seek information from the owners, to monitor work on the site and seek formal solutions to the problem.
- **1.6** Lewes DC Planning and Housing officers held meetings with the site owner's agent in 2019. Various solutions were explored including a negotiated purchase of the site. The agent subsequently produced a schedule giving details of the sub-contractors engaged to work on the site and a timescale leading towards completion of the work later in 2020.
- 1.7 An update report was considered at the Planning and Highways Committee meeting on 30th January 2020 when it was reported and noted that work was progressing and that Lewes DC was monitoring the site
- **1.8** Work was halted by the March 2020 lockdown and no work has been carried out since.

# 2. Recent Actions

- 2.1 It is clear that Lewes DC has been actively pursuing a solution to the impasse. It had already been confirmed that planning legislation did not provide a practical remedy to require a developer to complete a partially implemented scheme. Even the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) had accepted that the Completion Notice procedure under s.94- 96 of the 1990 Act was 'not fit for purpose'. All the notice does is to remove the benefit of planning consent from the uncompleted part of the scheme and leave the Lewes DC open to a claim for compensation. It doesn't force a developer to complete the development.
- 2.2 At the Lewes DC Full Council meeting on 23rd November 2020 Seaford Ward Councillors submitted a formal request to the Council regarding Talland Parade requesting that :-

- The Council writes to the developer in the strongest possible terms expressing the anger and frustration of Seaford residents.
- 2.4 2. It be noted that Lewes District Council Officers are engaging with the developer to understand the current stage they are at with the building works and the likely end date, including when the scaffolding will be taken down.
- **2.5** 3. It be noted that Officers can only work within current legislation and any information supplied by the developer in relation to these points cannot be binding and prosecution for non-adherence is not possible.
- 2.6 4. Lewes District Council write to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government requesting urgent attention to this area of the Law to enable Planning Enforcement Officers to require developers to carry out work within agreed timescales on behalf of local communities.
- 2.7 The response of the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regeneration was that Officers would continue to work to address the issues on site, including the actions requested in relation to writing to the developer. Officers had given assurances that the site was subject to regular inspections and was up to date with building control safety standards. However, she confirmed she would write to the Government to request the additional powers required for councils to take enforcement action in these circumstances, and advised that the Chief Executive would report back to a future Cabinet meeting on the actions taken.
- **2.8** The local MP has also been involved in representations to the MHCLG.
- 2.9 The Cabinet Member reported back to Cabinet on 4th February 2021 that:-
- **2.10** Officers have corresponded with the developer outlining the desire for redevelopment/conversion works to be completed as soon as is practicable to do so and more importantly that the scaffolding be taken down at the earliest opportunity. In addition, officers have requested an update from the developer following the Christmas break, a response is expected although not yet received. A response has been sent to the Secretary of State requesting changes to the current legislation that could enable Councils to take more appropriate action.

**2.11** I have spoken recently to the Cabinet Member and she has confirmed that negotiations with the developers and the MHCLG are on-going.

# 3. Other Remedies

- **3.1** It is accepted that the Completion Notice procedure is not worth considering so the only two realistic options, pending a change in the law or a resumption of work, are purchase by agreement or Compulsory Purchase.
- **3.2** It is unlikely that the owners would agree to a sale at a reasonable price so a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) has to be considered.
- **3.3** For a CPO to be successful, the acquiring authority must meet certain criteria. Also Human Rights legislation prohibits the compulsory confiscation of property 'except in the public interest' 'Public Interest' in this context has normally been taken to mean 'for the greater good' i.e the CPO should facilitate the implementation of a major scheme such as a Town Centre Regeneration or a major infrastructure project (such as Crossrail or HS2). It can however be interpreted more broadly.
- **3.4** If a CPO is challenged by the landowner there would have to be a Public Inquiry prior to any Order being confirmed.
- **3.5** In the case of Talland Parade the making of a CPO could also be resisted by the landowner on the grounds that the Completion Notice procedure referred to above provides a more appropriate remedy.
- **3.6** The Talland Parade case could possibly fit the criteria covering Compulsory Purchase under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (s.226) which relate to the improvement of social, economic or environmental well-being of an area. However, given the complexity of the CPO law and procedure a local authority would have to be sure of its ground before embarking on this course of action.
- **3.7** Finally, the scaffolding at the site has generated many complaints over the years. It is a major eyesore and a danger to pedestrians in Saxon Lane. The East Sussex County Council has the responsibility for the granting and renewing of permits for the scaffolding and has always maintained that the fact that no work is being carried out is not a valid legal reason for refusing a permit. ESCC is being requested to reconsider its position with regard to the scaffolding.

# 4. Conclusion

- **4.1** Understandably it is rare for a development to be left unimplemented for such a long period of time. Even if a developer runs out of funds during construction the site or cannot complete the scheme for any other reason it would normally be sold on to another party to complete.
- **4.2** Because it is such an unusual problem the law does not provide a local authority with a direct remedy and , in this case, the lack of cooperation of the current owners adds to the difficulties.
- **4.3** Lewes DC's efforts to find a solution should be fully supported by the Town Council but lobbying the DHCLG for a change in the law is unlikely to lead to a speedy resolution.
- **4.4** Lewes DC may understandably be wary of the Compulsory Purchase procedure both on the public interest issue and the fact that it is complex and potentially expensive. However it does appear to be the only remedy available which will deal effectively with the problem.
- **4.5** The Town Council should therefore seek a meeting with the District Council's officers for further discussions and the possibility of a joint approach to getting the scheme completed.

# 5. Financial Appraisal

**5.1** There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report.

# 6. Contact Officer

Planning Officer	GJOMM
Town Clerk	AMA



Report No:	20/21
Agenda Item No:	6
Committee:	Planning & Highways
Date:	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
Title:	Crouch Lane – Request for Provision of One-way
	System
By:	Geoff Johnson, Planning Officer
Purpose of Report:	To present details of a request to have Crouch Lane
	road made in to a one-way system

The Committee is recommended:

 To consider the highway safety issues raised by the local resident and decide whether his request to East Sussex Highways for Crouch Lane to be made one-way should be supported.

# 1. Introduction

**1.1** The Town Council has been notified of a detailed request from a resident of Crouch Lane for the road to be made one-way on highway safety grounds

# 2. The Request

- **2.1** The resident is a full-time wheelchair user with quadriplegic cerebral palsy.
- 2.2 His complaints are firstly that the road is in a poor condition, full of pot holes and rough gutter areas which damage the tyres of his wheelchair. The second complaint is that he has no visibility up Crouch Lane when driving out of his allocated parking bay and every manoeuvre he has to make is therefore unsafe.
- **2.3** East Sussex Highways has investigated the complaint and has decided that the potholes and the road surface are not dangerous and that the road is safe; the resident argues that it may be 'safe' for the general public but it is

not safe for him. He also points to the fact that residents of the Supported Accommodation at Seaford House in Crouch Lane also have problems negotiating the Lane on their mobility scooters.

2.4 The resident has suggested that making Crouch Lane one-way in tandem with Saxon Lane would resolve the highway safety problems by reducing the level of heavy traffic in the Lane. He claims that various Council members who have visited Crouch Lane agree with this solution. He also claims though that East Sussex Highways have allegedly responded that 'There needs to be a fatality, before anything can be done'.

# 3. Conclusion

**3.1** Members are recommended to consider the resident's case and decide whether to make representation to East Sussex Highways in support of the request to make Crouch Lane one-way.

# 4. Financial Appraisal

**4.1** There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report.

# 5. Contact Officer

Planning Officer	GJOMM
Town Clerk	AMO



Report No:	21/21
Agenda Item No:	7
Committee:	Planning & Highways
Date:	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
Title:	Proposed Street Closure - Kedale Road Street Party
	- Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> September
By:	Geoff Johnson, Planning Officer
Purpose of Report:	To present details of a road closure application for
	Kedale Road on 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2021

The Committee is recommended:

1. To forward any comments on the application to Lewes District Council.

# 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Town Council has been notified by Lewes District Council of an application from residents of Kedale Road for a street closure to hold a street party on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2021.
- **1.2** The closure applied for is for the length of Kedale Road from the junction with Salisbury Road to the junction with Grosvenor Road as shown on the plan below. The two junctions will be kept open.
- **1.3** The closure required will run from 10.00 to 22.00.
- **1.4** Members are requested to consider the application and forward any comments to Lewes District Council.



# 2. Financial Appraisal

**2.1** There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report.

# 3. Contact Officer

Planning Officer	GJAMA
Town Clerk	AMC