



Seaford Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of Seaford Town Council's Planning & Highways Committee on Thursday, 13th January 2022.

Held in the Council Chambers, 37 Church Street, Seaford at 7.00pm.

Present:

Councillors L Wallraven (Chair) and L Boorman (Vice Chair).

Councillors D Argent J Edson, R Honeyman and B Payne.

Geoff Johnson, Planning Officer (meeting clerk)

There were four members of the public in attendance.

P74/01/21 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Everden, J Lord and J Meek.

P75/01/21 Disclosure of Interests

Councillor L Boorman declared that the neighbouring objector on the application reported at item 4 was close friend and that she would not speak or vote on that item.

Councillor R Honeyman declared that he was a friend of the applicants on LW/21/0901 – 51 Steyne Road and would not speak or vote on that application.

P76/01/21 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

P77/01/21 Planning Application LW/21/0967 – 83-89 Sutton Road

The Committee considered report 157/21 of the Planning Officer updating the Committee on the latest position with regards to this proposed development and explaining the reasons for the submission of this application, a duplicate of LW/21/0660

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the report and to confirm to Lewes District Council that the Council's previous objections to LW/21/0660 should also be applied to this duplicate application.

P78/01/21 Planning Applications

LDC Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 13th December 2021

LW/21/0922 – 8 Stafford Road - Single storey front extension, creation of additional front parking bay, glass balustrade to front, associated front landscaping, removal of existing lean-to structure and replacement open pergola.

The applicant explained the reasons behind the proposals. The garage was too small for modern cars and was used for storage. It would provide a useful modest increase in living space . Parking on the road was difficult so the driveway would be beneficial

During the debate Standing Orders were waived in order to allow the applicant to answer a point of detail regarding the plans. They were subsequently reinstated.

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to the application. Although the garage was now too small for car parking and the creation of the new driveway would free space on the street, the proposed front extension, by projecting in front of the building line of neighbouring properties, would detract from the character of the street scene and the appearance of the property. It would therefore be contrary to Local Plan policy DM 28 and GB05 of the Seaford Neighbourhood Plan Design Guidelines.

LW/21/0901 – St.Martins,51Steyne Road - Listed Building Consent for external alterations including replacement of existing gas boiler for air source heat pump and replacement of existing double rear doors with single door and infill with brick to match existing wall.

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

LW/21/0902 – 3 Roedean Close - Addition of first floor timber framed extension with pitched roof and no.3 windows at rear elevation and no2. windows at north elevation over existing single storey rear extension.

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application in principle but to raise a strong objection to the use of composite cement boarding rather than red brick for the extension. The boarding was considered to be out of keeping with the character of the area.

LW/21/0918 - 62 Sutton Avenue - Single storey ground floor extension & loft conversion with rear facing no.3 flat roof dormers and no.1 east facing rooflight for Mr S Curl.

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

LW/21/0979 -Seaford Community Fire Station Cradle Hill Road - Erection of Outbuilding to rear for ESFR.

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

LW/21/0972 – 15 Deal Avenue - Removal of existing extension and replacement single storey flat roof rear extension with 2no. lantern rooflights, Hip to gable side roof extension with side facing window, extension to existing rear dormer and rooflight to front.

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

LW/21/0966 – 27 Marine Drive - Two storey pitched gable end to flat roof extension with enlargement of balcony to rear elevation and alterations to windows and doors on all elevations.

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to the application. The Committee had taken into account the proposals which the applicant could implement under Permitted Development rights but considered that the application proposals, converting a modest chalet bungalow to a two-storey dwelling, were totally out of scale and character with the surrounding area and contrary to Local Plan policy DM 28 and GB04 of the Seaford Neighbourhood Plan Design Guidelines

LW/21/0953 – 57 East Street – Replacement single-storey rear extension

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

South Downs National Park Application

SDNP/21/06170/HOUS- Seaford Cottage Alfriston Road - Raising the ground level of the garden with stepped access, new fencing and works to the shared driveway

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

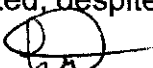
Tree Works Application

SDNP/21/06069/TCA | Bishopstone Village Green Dog Kennel Barn Bishopstone

Village - Aged Sycamore removal of deadwood and inspection of structural integrity, Ash to be felled as it is suffering ash die-back, Hawthornes (x2) to be reduced in height. Cherry tree to have a crown-lift. Other Sycamore trees (x6) to have lower limbs removed

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

P79/01/21 Update Report

The Committee considered report 156/21 of the Planning Officer and the schedule of recent decisions made by Lewes District Council on applications previously considered by this Committee. Reference was also made to the decisions made at Lewes District Council's Planning Applications Committee meeting on Wednesday 12th January 2022 when applications relating to 3 Homefield Road (LW/21/0705) and to 23 Fairways Road (LW/21/0615) had been granted, despite strong objections submitted by the Town Council and residents at the meeting. 

Standing Orders were waived to allow two of the objectors to the 3 Homefield Road application to address the Committee.

The two objectors expressed their shock and disappointment that consent had been granted. They were angry at the serious flaws in the processing of the application and in District Council's officer's Committee report; in particular the failure to fully disclose the advice given on the application by the Design and Conservation Officer. This had also been the subject of adverse comments from the Chair of the Planning Applications Committee prior to the passing of the resolution to grant consent

Standing Orders were reinstated.

It was **RESOLVED** :-

1. To **NOTE** the report and the decisions notified within.
2. That a report on the 3 Homefield Road application and decision be submitted to the Committee at the next meeting on Thursday 3rd February 2022 for further consideration.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

L Wallraven 26/01/2022

Councillor L Wallraven

Chair of Planning & Highways