



Seaford Town Council

Planning & Highways Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the **Planning & Highways Committee** held via **Zoom** on **Thursday 25th March 2021** commencing at 7.00pm.

Present:

Councillors L Wallraven (Chair), R Honeyman (Vice Chair), D Argent, L Boorman, J Edson, M Everden, J Lord and J Meek.

Geoff Johnson, Planning Officer (meeting clerk)

Georgia Raeburn, Executive Support Officer (technical host)

There were four members of the public present.

P76/03/20 Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Substitute Members

There were no apologies for absence.

P77/03/20 Disclosure of Interests

Councillor Wallraven declared a non-pecuniary interest as a personal friend of one of the neighbours of application LW/21/0093 82 Hurdis Road and that she would hand over Chair to the Vice Chair for that item.

P78/03/20 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

P79/03/20 Planning Applications

Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 1st March 2021

LW/21/0047 - 89 Clementine Avenue - Erection of single storey family room in rear garden (part retrospective).

Resident A

Provided some background regarding the family moving to the property in 2015. Explained the reasons for the application being part retrospective as they had thought dimensions they had planned fell under permitted development, especially as there are several outbuilding/summerhouses along their road. Ran through timeline of works to date and reasonings behind the need for the summerhouse. Explained the extra steps that had been taken to reduce impact of building on neighbouring properties, including reducing ground levels and planting a row of trees often used for screening. Aimed to address the concerns raised about badgers and explained that they have no knowledge of badgers in their area and have heard no mention of this previously. Talked about the Committee looking at the way in which households now use their homes.

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

(7.23pm – A resident exited the meeting.)

LW/21/0028 – 9 Carlton Road – s.73A retrospective application for rear balcony.

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application with the inclusion of a condition requiring an obscure glass screen on the party boundary with the adjoining semi-detached dwelling to protect the privacy of the occupiers of that property.

LW/21/0059 – 20 Hill Rise -Proposed erection of single storey rear extension. Installation of Velux rooflights to existing first floor and erection of rear dormer to allow installation of internal lift shaft.

Resident B *Explained their family history with property, originating with the house being built by the family and staying within it. Explained that the house had not been updated since being built and was being designed with the family's future living requirements in mind, including wheelchair accessibility required due to a degenerative illness. Talked about their communications with neighbours and support received for proposals.*

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

(7.31pm – Councillor Honeyman as Vice Chair took over Chairing the meeting.)

(7.32pm – A resident exited the meeting.)

LW/21/0093 – 82 Hurdis Road Bishopstone - Prior approval under Schedule 2, Part 20, Class A of the Town and Country Planning (Permitted Development and Miscellaneous Amendments) (England)(Coronavirus) Regulations 2020 for the erection for a first-floor extension to domestic dwelling.

It was **RESOLVED** to **REQUEST** the District Council to require the submission of a full application within the statutory 56-day deadline on the grounds that the proposal to add a storey to the property would be an overdevelopment of the site and would be out of scale and character with the surrounding area which was predominantly bungalows.

(7.38pm – Councillor Wallraven returned as Chair.)

Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 8th March 2021

LW21/0086 – 2A North Way - Single storey side extension to replace existing garage located on North elevation of host dwelling, erection of outbuilding and erection of close boarded fence as border treatment.

Resident C *Explained the plans that were being proposed to their property, including the extension to the rear of the garage that will allow a newly formed open plan kitchen area to link to the existing kitchen. Explained that the garage is currently too small for the family car but they do have driveway parking space for two cars. Confirmed that the existing hedge was unsightly and had a shared drain running through it. Removing it would avoid any root damage to*

the drain. The hedge also poses safety issues for their grandchildren and dogs. Explained that the intention is to plant vegetation along street side of the fence and talked through the proposals with the fence. Confirmed that immediate neighbours have been spoken to and are happy with the proposals.

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

(7.43pm – Two residents exited the meeting.)

LW/21/0126 – 1 Alces Place Firle Road - Creation of a first floor extension above an existing single storey already part of the property, along with internal alterations and a single storey rear orangery extension.

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

LW/21/0052 – 3 Homefield Road - Creation of a lower ground floor, ground floor and first floor side extension –

It was reported that this application had been withdrawn after the publication of the Agenda

Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 15th March 2021

No applications were received.

South Downs National Park Application

SDNP/21/00011/CND - Land adjacent to 2 New Cottages The Street Bishopstone Village - Variation of condition 2, approved plans, relating to planning approval SDNP/17/03324/FUL for a reduction in the size of the entrance door and erection of a small extension.

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

Tree Works Applications

TW/21/0015 – 9 Chalvington Close – Proposals : T1 Leyland Cyprus - Fell Dying. T2,T3 and T4 Fell ash trees infected with Ash Dieback T6 Elm Remove major deadwood and thin crown by 20% to allow wind to blow through crown.

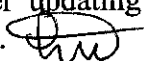
It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application.

P80/03/20 Lewes District Parking Review – Formal Consultation

The Committee considered report 160/20 of the Planning Officer informing the Committee of proposed new parking restrictions and seek any comments.

It was **RESOLVED** to **AGREE** that no objections be raised to any of the proposals.

P81/03/20 Planning Enforcement – 10 Blatchington Hill and 3 Sherwood Road

The Committee considered report 161/20 of the Planning Officer updating the Committee on enforcement problems at 10 Blatchington Hill and 3 Sherwood Road. 

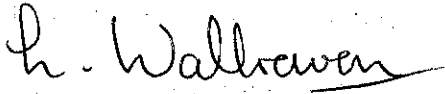
It was **RESOLVED** to notify the District Council of the Town Council's concern at these long-standing enforcement problems and their impact on neighbouring residents and to confirm the Council's full support for the action being taken to deal with the outstanding contraventions.

P82/03/20 Update Report

The Committee report 162/20 of the Planning Officer on recent decisions made by Lewes District Council on applications previously considered by this Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the contents of the report.

The meeting closed at 8.09pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Wallraven', with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Councillor Linda Wallraven
Chair