



## Seaford Town Council

### Minutes of a meeting of Seaford Town Council's Planning & Highways on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023

Held at the Council Chambers, 37 Church Street, Seaford, BN25 1HG on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 at 7.00pm.

#### Present:

Councillors L Wallraven (Chair), L Boorman (Vice Chair), R Buchanan, R Clay, O Honeyman, R Honeyman and S Markwell.

Adam Chugg, Town Clerk

Melanie Nicholls, HR & Governance Officer

Councillor C Bristow and 4 members of the public in attendance.

#### P01/06/23 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

#### P02/06/23 Disclosure of Interests

No interests were declared.

#### P03/06/23 Public Participation

Speaker	Statement
Resident A	Urged the committee to support the Tree Preservation Order application – Crouch Gardens. Stated Seaford Town Football Club had long term plans to level the ground and install a 4G pitch which could damage the trees.
Town Council Response	Thanked the resident for their contribution.
Resident B	Urged the committee to support the Tree Preservation Order application – Crouch Gardens. Gave several examples of why, contrary to the statement in report P05/06/23, STC should not be regarded as good guardians of The Crouch.
Town Council Response	Thanked the resident for their contribution.

Cllr C Bristow from the public gallery	Urged the committee to support the Tree Preservation Order application for Crouch Gardens, due to their concerns around the potential for significant changes of use of The Crouch in the future. Confirmed that whilst Tree Preservation Orders did not prevent development, they did ensure that trees were properly considered when considering any development plan and that this aligned with Seaford Town Council's strategic goals.
Town Council Response	Thanked Councillor Bristow for their contribution.
Town Clerk Response	In response to all the public comments the Town Clerk explained that the primary objection of Seaford Town Council to the Tree Preservation Order was to rebut an incorrect statement in the order.

In view of the fact that Councillor Bristow and members of the public were attending the meeting for Item 5 on the agenda, 'Tree Preservation Order- Crouch Gardens', it was **AGREED** to deal with this item before Item 4 – 'Planning Applications'

### **P04/06/23 Tree Preservation Order – Crouch Gardens**

The committee considered report 12/23 advising committee members on a Tree Preservation Order that has been served by Lewes District Council.

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to the order in its present form due to the reason stated being invalid but to **SUPPORT** the service of an Order with appropriately amended wording as soon as reasonably possible.

### **P05/06/23 Planning Applications**

LDC Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 24th April 2023

**LW/23/0237** - 1 Grosvenor Mews Grosvenor Road - Demolition of side conservatory and erection of single storey side extension.

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

**LW/23/0238** - 65 Upper Belgrave Road - Erection of dormer to the rear elevation with 2no. juliet balconies.

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to the application on the grounds that the proposed rear dormer, taking into account its bulk and width would be over-dominant and constitute overdevelopment of the property.

It would also have a detrimental effect on the amenities of properties to the rear.

It would therefore be contrary to Para GB04 of the Seaford Design Guidelines attached the Seaford Neighbourhood Plan which requires dormers to be subservient to the host property and contrary to policy DM25 of the Lewes Local Plan Part 2.

**LW/23/0245** - 90 Claremont Road - Replacement single-storey rear extension to comprise 2no. 1-bedroom flats (Class C3) to be used for emergency housing with provision of refuse storage and 2no.cycle storage units.

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application subject to the attachment of a condition requiring a Construction Management Plan and confirmation that neighbouring residents have been adequately advised of the proposals.

**LW/23/0236** -1 Shepway Parade Broad Street - Installation of replacement mechanical plant, new palisade fence and gates to plant area at rear elevation and replace 7no. timber windows at first floor level with new UPVC windows at side elevation.

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

LDC Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 1st May 2023

**LW/23/0269** - Wykeham Hawth Hill - Extension of existing dormer, 3no. rooflights to side elevation and 1no. rooflight to rear elevation.

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application subject to a condition that the rooflights proposed for the side elevation are obscure glazed to protect the privacy of adjacent properties in Station Road.

**LW/23/0261** - Unit 24 Cradle Hill Industrial Estate Cradle Hill Road - Proposed first floor extension.

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

**LW/23/0178** -13 Rodmell Road - Demolition of side garage and erection of two storey side and single storey rear extensions with fenestration alterations.

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

LDC Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 8th May 2023

No notifications received.

LDC Planning Applications received in week commencing Monday 15th May 2023

**LW/23/0240** – 37 Southdown Road – Demolition of existing two storey dwelling and construction of a new two storey dwelling house.

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application subject to the District Council being satisfied that the proposed height of the new dwelling would be in scale and character with neighbouring properties.

County Council Applications

**LW/3478/CC** - Seaford Head Lower School, Steyne Road, BN25 1AL - Temporary installation of 1no mobile classroom for a period of 5 years.

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

Tree Works Applications

**TW/23/0038/TPO** - High Wood 51 Firle Road - T1 - Monterey Cypress - Dismantle and remove T2 - Poplar - Dismantle and remove T3 - Sycamore - Dismantle and remove T4 - Poplar - Re-pollard back to previous points.

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

**TW/23/0035/TPO** – 35 St Peters Road - Ash - Completely remove to ground level and stump ground out for safety reasons to eliminate chances of future damage to the house.

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** the application pending confirmation of the presence of ash die-back by the District Council. The Committee wanted to ensure that the tree was not being removed for cosmetic reasons.

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**P06/06/23 Update Report**

Committee members considered report 11/23 reporting on decisions taken by Lewes District Council since the last meeting on applications previously considered by the Committee.

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

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

*Councillor L Wallraven*

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