TENTERDEN TOWN COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT TENTERDEN TOWN HALL ON 9TH OCTOBER 2017

- **Councillors Present**: M. Carter, Mrs. C. Curteis, H. Edwards (Vice-Chairman), Miss N. Gooch, R. Isworth, Dr. L. Lovelidge, K. Mulholland and J. Nelson.
- **Officers Present**: Town Clerk Mr. P. Burgess, Deputy Town Clerk Mrs. C. Gilbert and Administrative Assistant Ms. S. Ratcliffe.
- **Others Present**: Cllrs. M. Hickmott, C. Knowles and Mrs. P. Smith (not members of this Committee) and 8 members of the public.
- 6686 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**. Cllr. R. Lusty (Chairman).
- 6687 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**. Cllr. Nelson declared an interest in Application No. 17/01346/AS and would leave the room when discussed.
- 6688 **MINUTES**. The minutes and report of the meeting held on 18th September 2017 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.
- 6689 MATTERS ARISING. None.
- 6690 **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**. Cllr. Carter requested that the Town Clerk contacts Mr. S. Cole at Ashford Borough Council regarding the Town Council's response to the Local Plan 2030, specifically whether the additional 50 houses on Tent1b were being removed from the plan.
- 6691 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**. The Committee considered the following planning applications. It was **RESOLVED** that its recommendations would be submitted.
 - 17/01047/AS <u>Tenterden Car Wash, Recreation Ground Road</u>.

Erection of a three-storey mixed use building with 6 no. flats and a retail unit on the ground floor and associated parking. **AMENDED RED LINE**

WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT.

17/01336/AS <u>56 Henley Meadows</u>.

Single storey front and rear extensions; conversion of garage to habitable accommodation. **SUPPORT**.

Clir. Nelson left the room.

17/01346/AS <u>Tanyard Oast, Plummer Lane</u>.

Erection of a new dwelling.

SUPPORT.

Cllr. Nelson returned to the room.

17/01365/AS Ramsden Oast, Reading Street.

Erection of single storey orangery extension; replacement windows and addition of roof light (retrospective).

Mrs. H. Whitehead of Price Whitehead presented the application on behalf of her client. Mrs. Whitehead outlined the issues around information given to her client regarding permitted development rights and highlighted that although the property was in a conservation area, the extension could not be seen on the landscape. **SUPPORT**.

Harbourne Oast, Harbourne Lane.

Erection of double garage.

SUPPORT.

17/01382/AS 39 Wayside Avenue.

Erection of timber decking (retrospective).

SUPPORT.

17/01392/AS Heronden Old House, Smallhythe Road.

Revised deign for extension to facilitate Principal Estate House (replacing an Extant Permission 10/01587/AS). Mrs. H. Whitehead of Price Whitehead presented the application on behalf of her client. The extension would be built to a very high standard and there would be no detrimental impact as it would be contained in the grounds.

SUPPORT.

- 6692 ASHFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL DECISIONS. List No. 556 was NOTED.
- 6693 **SUB-COMMITTEE & WORKING GROUP REPORTS**. Cllr. Nelson reported that the Strategic Planning document was nearly ready and would be circulated to the Working Group once complete.

6694 ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

17/01375/AS

(a) Cllr. Edwards made a personal statement regarding a remark that he thought he heard at the Special Town Council meeting held on 29th August 2017 where the response to ABC's Local Plan was discussed. Cllr. Edwards had misheard the word 'contact' as 'contract' which then led to wild speculation by members of the public who then openly attacked Cllr. Carter on social media. Cllr. Edwards apologised and reiterated that although 'contact' can happen between Councillors and applicants, all Councillors should adhere to the Declarations of Interest.

The meeting opened at 7.03pm and closed at 7.34pm

The foregoing Minutes and Report were confirmed and signed at a meeting of the Planning Committee on the 30th day of October 2017.

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