

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT TENTERDEN TOWN HALL ON 11TH DECEMBER 2017

- **Councillors Present**: M. Carter, Mrs. C. Curteis, H. Edwards (Vice-Chairman), Miss N. Gooch, R. Isworth, Cllr. R. Lusty (Chairman) and K. Mulholland.
- **Officers Present**: Town Clerk Mr. P. Burgess, Deputy Town Clerk Mrs. C. Gilbert, Accounts Clerk Mrs. J. McCollum and Administrative Assistant Ms. S. Ratcliffe.
- **Others Present**: Cllrs. Mrs. S. Ferguson and Mrs. P. Smith (not members of this Committee), Cllr. P. Clokie (ABC) and 5 members of the public.
- 6714 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**. Cllrs. Dr. L. Lovelidge and J. Nelson.
- 6715 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**. Cllr. Lusty declared that he would leave the room when Application no. 17/01203/AS was discussed and Vice-Chairman Cllr. Edwards would Chair the discussion.
- 6716 **MINUTES**. The minutes and report of the meeting held on 20th November 2017 were confirmed. Cllr. Miss. Gooch highlighted the omission regarding her leaving the room when Application no. 17/01633/AS was discussed. The amended minutes would be signed by the Chair once revised.
- 6717 MATTERS ARISING. None.
- 6718 **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**. Cllr. Carter requested clarification as to whether Mr. S. Cole from Ashford Borough Council had confirmed if the additional 50 houses on Tent1b were included in the Local Plan 2030. Cllr. P. Clokie (ABC) informed the Committee that the Local Plan 2030 goes to Ashford's full Council on 14th December 2017 in order for it to be declared sound. The Plan will then be on the internet approximately 10 days after the meeting. Cllr. Clokie advised that comments can be made direct to the Inspector.
- 6719 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**. The Committee considered the following planning applications. It was **RESOLVED** that its recommendations would be submitted.

Cllr. Lusty left the room.

17/01203/AS London Beach Golf Club, Ashford Road.

Erection of 7 no. two bedroom flats and 4 no. three bedroom houses for active retired people including associated parking, parking for the hotel and landscaping.

Ms. C. Luke, Manager at Little Silver Country Hotel, addressed the Committee on behalf of Mr. O. Johnston the owner. Ms. Luke thanked the Committee for conducting a site visit at Little Silver. The amended plan still remained over intensification and will impact on the Hotel. The Hotel employs 30 local staff, currently hosts 80 weddings per year and uses local produce. Any complaints regarding noise from weddings would impact severely on the business.

OBJECT for the following reasons:

- (i) over development;
- (ii) urbanisation of the approach to St. Michaels;
- (iii) loss of rural character of area;
- (iv) the impact on the neighbouring local business;
- (v) the idea of a shuttle bus was commended, but this would not be enough to address an increase in traffic problems.

Cllr. Carter abstained from voting and Cllr. Edwards reserved his vote.

Cllr. Lusty returned to the room.

17/01688/AS <u>40 Henley Meadows</u>.

Single storey pitched roof front extension to form porch and family room. Part garage conversion into office space at rear.

SUPPORT.

17/01702/AS Mayfield, Smallhythe Road.

Removal of existing conservatory, utility, boot room, WC and detached prefabricated garage and replace with single-storey rear extension and two storey side extension (revision to materials used on extension permitted under permission 17/01164/AS from tiles/brickwork to tiles/cream render to also include render on existing elevations). **SUPPORT**.

17/01738/AS <u>Woodacre, Ingleden Park Road</u>.

Demolition of existing garage and construction of a new 3-bedroom dwelling.

OBJECT on the grounds that the Committee were concerned at the citing of the property as it affects neighbours both front and side.

- 17/01745/AS <u>39B Golden Square</u>. Single storey rear extension. SUPPORT.
- 17/01770/AS Homewood School & Sixth Form Centre, Ashford Road.

Refurbishment of an external Redgra sports pitch into a new 3G surfaced Artificial Turf Pitch (ATP) with new fencing, new floodlighting and a storage container.

SUPPORT with a comment that the Committee would like to note that potential light pollution to the residents of Silver Hill should be taken into consideration.

- 6721 **TENT1B**. The request from the Land agents for a meeting with the Council was **NOTED**. The Town Clerk will notify members of the procedure.
- 6722 **ROLVENDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**. It was **NOTED** that the plan proposals were available to view at various locations within Rolvenden during December and January.
- 6723 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**. Cllr. Lusty thanked the Committee for their help this year and Cllr. Edwards for stepping in as Chair when required and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

The meeting opened at 7.53pm and closed at 8.35pm

The foregoing Minutes and Report were confirmed and signed at a meeting of the Planning Committee on the 8th day of January 2018.

Chairman _____ (08.01.2018)