TENTERDEN TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM 10

5TH August 2019 DISCHARGE LIST NO. 013

APPLICATIONS FOR DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS.

To note that the following applications have been made for Discharge of Conditions:

Planning Applications:

14/00757/COAA/AS Land south west of Recreation Ground Road and north

and east of, Smallhythe Road.

Discharge of condition 20.

PERMIT.

16/01853/CONU/AS Land south west of Recreation Ground Road and north

and east of, Smallhythe Road.

Discharge of condition 20.

PERMIT.

19/00277/CONA/AS Old Barrack Farm, Reading Street.

Discharge condition 3
GRANT CONSENT

TENTERDEN TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM 11

5th August 2019 DECISIONS LIST NO. 581

DECISIONS OF ASHFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL'S PLANNING COMMITTEE.

The following decisions have been made:

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

15/01160/AM02/AS Danemore, Beachy Path.

Non-material minor amendment to provide a buffer strip around the boundary, resulting in 3 no. Jacquemonti not being installed on planning permission 15/01160/AS (Demolition of existing Sheltered Housing Scheme, four bungalows and former St.John's Ambulance building (vacant). Erection of Sheltered Housing Scheme consisting of 34 apartments, four chalet bungalows and associated landscaping and car parking).

AMENDED PLANS APPROVED.

16/01090/AM03/AS <u>Land west of Shrubcote and south west of, Appledore</u> Road.

Revision to planning permission reference 16/01090/AS (Erection of four detached dwellings, with associated landscaping) for the change of materials.

AMENDED PLANS APPROVED.

16/01090/AM04/AS <u>Land West of junction to Shrubcote Road and,</u> Southgate Road.

Non-material amendment to planning permission reference 16/01090/AS (Erection of four detached dwellings, with associated landscaping) for an additional window to first floor, north west elevation.

AMENDED PLANS APPROVED.

18/00928/AS Priory Lodge, Appledore Road.

Proposed single storey rear extension.

PERMIT.

18/00929/AS Priory Lodge, Appledore Road.

Proposed single storey rear extension with change to existing roof form. Removal and insertion of partition walls within existing kitchen area.

GRANT CONSENT.

18/00983/AS Mayfield, Smallhythe Road

Erection of timber storage building (retrospective).

APPEAL RECEIVED.

19/00473/AS Morghew Park House, Smallhythe Road.

Removal of restrictive time condition on planning permission 13/00900/AS to allow 24 hours per day 7 days per week operation for the gate at position A located to the south of

Morghew Park House.

PERMIT.

19/00555/AS

Waters Land, Grange Road.

Single storey rear linked extension to provide ancillary annexe accommodation (revision to planning permission 18/00787/AS).

REFUSE.

19/00556/AS

Waters Land, Grange Road.

Single storey rear linked extension to provide ancillary annexe accommodation (revision to planning permission 18/00787/AS).

REFUSE CONSENT.

19/00625/AS

The Vine Inn, 76 High Street.

Installation of 1 illuminated replacement hanging sign &; 3 illuminated and two non-illuminated replacement fascia signs.

GRANT CONSENT.

19/00657/AS

Herondon Lodge, Smallhythe Road.

Replacement Garage (revision to permission granted under 18/01786/AS)

PERMIT.

19/00659/AS

Pickhill Farm, Smallhythe Road.

Erection of new commercial building, comprised of three separate units, two single storey and one double storey.

PERMIT.

19/00669/AS

8 Kiln Field.

Lawful development certificate - Proposed - single storey rear

PROPOSED USE/DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE LAWFUL.

19/00710/AS

38 Knockwood Road.

Lawful development certificate - proposed - Replacement of window with door and new window to replace a door.

PROPOSED USE/DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE LAWFUL.

19/00722/AS

68 Chalk Avenue.

Proposed single storey side and rear extensions.

PERMIT.

19/00746/AS

Goodshill Farmhouse, Cranbrook Road.

Erection of a timber summerhouse/outbuilding; extension of driveway to provide additional parking; alteration to fenestration on annexe; conversion of garage space to habitable accommodation.

PERMIT.

19/00785/AS

Woolpack Hotel, 26 High Street.

External alterations in connection with upgrading of Barn space to rear of property including installation of 2 flues, 2

pairs boarded doors with glazed doors behind and existing window uncovered and overhauled.

PERMIT.

19/00786/AS

Woolpack Hotel, 26 High Street.

Internal and external alterations in connection with refurbishment of existing premises to improve kitchen facilities, rearrangement of the bar counter, fitting out of the storage area and upgrading of Barn to rear of property.

GRANT CONSENT.

19/00787/AS

9 St Michaels Terrace, Grange Road.

Replacement of three windows to the front elevation; replacement of front door.

GRANT CONSENT.

TREE APPLICATIONS:

19/00074/TP

Cherry Tree House, Woodchurch Road.

3no. Hornbeam. Crown lift to 3m all limbs up to 75mm diameter; Prune away from dwelling by 2m; Crown reduce by 2m from top of crown and 1-1.5m at sides leaving a natural crown profile; Works to BS3998:2010 standards. (Superseded specification T1, T2, T3 Hornbeam- Reduce by 15 metres approx. (50%) due to blocking of light into house).

GRANT CONSENT.

19/00084/TP

East Weald, East Weald Drive.

Oak (T1) - To reduce tree in the rear on the right hand side by 3-4m leaving inner growth. Oak (T2) - To remove the two lower limbs from the tree on the neighbour's side of the rear garden overhanging the pergola.

TREE APPLICATION NOT VALID.

19/00118/TC

3 Golden Square.

Eucalyptus T 1. Reduce height from 18m to 9m. Lift lower branches to 3.5m. Excessive shading to houses and neighbouring property.

RAISE NO OBJECTION.

19/00122/TC

Woolpack Hotel, 26 High Street

Ash (T1) Removal and stump ground; Conifer (T2) removal &; stump ground; Holly (T3) removal &; stump ground; Hawthorn (T4 &; T5) removal &; stump ground

RAISE NO OBJECTION

Tenterden Town Council Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee

Meeting 25th June 2019

Present:

Apologies:

Clir. John Crawford Clir. Kate Walder Barrie Arch Irene Dibben Richard Masefield Siggi Nepp

Sue Quinton Graham Smith Helen Whitehead

Cllr. John Crawford Cllr Jean Curteis Cllr. Kate Walder Adam Cooper Barrie Arch Joseph Franklin

- 1 Minutes of the Meeting 30 May 2019 were accepted.
- 2 Matters Arising; The Secretary confirmed the situation regarding GDPR. ACTION: Members who haven't yet signed the TC Code of Conduct please do so.

3 Co-Option of Stephen Sidebottom

The Committee unanimously agreed the co-option of Stephen Sidebottom onto the Committee as an unofficial member and as group leader of Walking, Cycling and Riding.

4 Cinema Focus Group

John reported that as the cost of the requested elevation view was significant it can await planning application stage.

ACTION: The Committee will monitor the progress of the Cinema Project and may request further information as it proceeds.

5 Grassland Overview/Study

Richard reported on the overview assessment of 11 sites around and in close proximity to the town by Kate Ryland of Dolphin Ecological Surveys. Some sites were identified as especially important. The assessment underlined the importance of engagement with Landowners plus the special nature of Tenterden.

ACTION: Report from Ms Ryland for presentation to the Committee.

6 Strategy for the Neighbourhood Plan

John presented 3 documents to the Committee: a flow-chart for the project, guidance notes for assessing potential local green sites and a storyboard outlining the target audience and required contents.

ACTION: Feedback from Committee members.

Richard produced a resource folder compiled from information gathered over the past 18 months, for general use as a reference.

Further discussion involved layout and presentation of the final NP document. ACTION: Richard to approach Paul Anderson of Gravity Global graphic design for initial guidance, and to report back to the Committee.

7 Working Group Reports

- a) Green Space in Town: Graham outlined the approach of this group. A large number of sites have been identified initially, to be reduced to what he referred to as the long list. This will be further refined according to defined criteria to enable the group to focus on the most important sites. The process and criteria have yet to be defined.
- b) Landscape and Character: Siggi presented a chart outlining the approach. The stages of analysis are desk top research, physical research and fieldwork. The group will be divided into smaller groups to work on the different sections
- c) Walking Cycling and Riding Group: Kate read Stephen's report to the effect that the group will align with the Ashford Strategy. At the next meeting the group will focus on revising and finalising the draft work programme.
- d) Biodiversity and Wildlife: Richard reported on the approach to be adopted at the next meeting of this group, which will be to record and cross-check species findings for separate areas and habitats in the parish, including photographic evidence. Also planned is a hedgerow-dating study using the 'Hooper formula'.
- e) Communications and Engagement: Kate presented a report including a review of social media responses. The importance of a website was stressed. Adam is to submit a project plan. Kate mentioned that the Group needs more members. Possible names were discussed.

(For detailed working group reports see Dropbox Minutes folder)

8 Communication & Dropbox

The Committee discussed a more efficient method of email communication. The working groups may act without constant reference to the Steering Committee, with monthly reports supplemented by face to face or telephone contact as required. A protocol on access to Dropbox was agreed.

9 Safe Storage of Documents

Richard noted that a locked cupboard in the Councillors' Room was available for safe storage of documents.

ACTION: John to check on fire risk and/or possible room in the TC safe.

10 For Information

The situation on insurance cover was noted. The Committee considered that the FAQs should be published on the website when it was created

11 Treasurer's Report.

Barrie asked Group Leaders to estimate their likely expenditure for the remainder of the financial year, as it is important to apply for Locality grant funding (of up to £9,000) on a timely basis. Of the £11,000 granted by the Town Council, £1,600 was spent to the end of May 2019. The fee for the grassland overview and Jim Boot's expenses for the training days are outstanding.

ACTION: Working Group Leaders to identify potential expenditure

12 **AOB**

The issue of green spaces within existing new developments was raised.

ACTION: to be added to the Agenda for July.
Siggi reported earlier in the meeting on the loss of the BMX ramps in the Dandara wood. Agreed this was beyond the remit of this Committee

Next Meeting, Tuesday 30 July at 4pm; location to be the Mayor's Parlour unless otherwise notified

Email sent to Mark Davies, Planning Officer at Ashford Borough Council, on 22nd July 2019.

Dear Mr Davies,

I am writing to you as chair of Tenterden Town Council Planning Committee.

We have an active Neighbourhood Planning committee for the parish of Tenterden. They have requested that their opinion on above EIA application, which sets out their rationale for an EIA, be forwarded to you.

Normally, this would be discussed at the Tenterden Town Council Planning Committee, but due to your closing date being before our next schedule committee meeting, this is not possible.

May I ask you to log this opinion letter on the Ashford application portal.

Thank you and kind regards,

John Crawford

Tenterden Town Councillor www.tenterdentowncouncil.gov.uk

Phil Burgess
Tenterden Town Council
Town Hall
24 High Street
Tenterden
Kent TN30 6AJ

20th July 2019

Dear Phil

In response to the request to Ashford Borough Council by Judith Ashton Associates on behalf of Wates for an opinion as to whether an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is required in advance of an application to build 250 houses on the site between the Appledore and Woodchurch Roads, known locally as 'Limes Land', I represent the considered view of the Tenterden Neighbourhood Plan steering committee currently employed in studying green spaces in proximity to the town, in strongly recommending an EIA.

The site is designated as a Local Character Area within the adopted Ashford Local Plan, is immediately bounded to the east by the AONB, to the south west by the Tenterden Conservation Area with listed buildings abutting it, and to the north by ancient woodland designated as a Local Wildlife Site.

In considering the numbered assertions in the Judith Ashton Associates covering letter to their application form:

- 1.1/1.2 The aim of an EIA is to ensure that a local planning authority considers applications for development in the full knowledge of their likely effects on the environment. We would argue that that the proposed development would have a significant effect upon the environment by reason of its nature, size and location within the High Weald Landscape Area; with an EIA providing the necessary opportunity for investigating and understanding the nature of the pristine landscape and undisturbed ecosystem which has existed on this site over a period of hundreds of years.
- 1.6/1.15 The nearby committed development of 100 dwellings on the ecologically sensitive site known as Tilden Gill on the other side of Appledore Road, and the four houses under construction in the onetime orchard immediately to the South at Hales Place, added to the Wates proposal for a further 250 dwellings, must inevitably disrupt the nesting and foraging activities of species moving from one site to another, with a cumulatively negative impact on the environment to be taken into account.
- 2.1.1 The description of the site as consisting in the main of 'low grade agricultural fields' obscures its true status as an increasing rare survival of a medieval Wealden field system, with the wide variety of grass and herb species one would expect from such a special environment and hedgerows dated by the Hooper formula to 700 years old.
- 2.4.4 The land is of historic and cultural importance, subject to KCC heritage designation as the site of the town gallows for a period of more than 300 years (HER83SE309) and a post-medieval ridge and furrow field survival (TQ83SE313).
- 3.2.1 We refute the claim that the level of domestic waste from 250 dwellings could be minimal.

- 3.4.8 We maintain that the proposed development would detract from an historic landscape setting in obscuring fine views of the St Mildred's church tower, not least from the public footpath. The scale of change to the view as a public visual amenity is relevant in this instance.
- 3.4.10 Despite the claim that the 'majority' of existing trees will be retained, it is established that numbers are also to be felled to the detriment of their ecological function as nesting sites and bat roosts. There is no justification for removing vital components of the ecosystem.
- 3.4.14 There are a large number of non-statutory designations omitted from Judith Ashton Associates' paper which are important to consider, including the designation of the site as a Character Landscape Area in Ashford's SPD. Parts of the site have Woodland Priority Habitat, Water Lower Spatial Priority and Flood Risk Lower Spatial Priority, while we consider that the increased population resulting from 250 dwellings in proximity to a public footpath leading directly to the nearby Ancient Woodland, Biodiversity Opportunity Area and Local Wildlife Site of Knock Wood would materially affect its ecological status.
- 3.4.16 The Judith Ashton Associates' description of the site as mainly consisting of 'semi-improved grassland' conflicts with the KCC Historic Environment Record Officer's record of it as unimproved grassland, and therefore as a DEFRA Priority Habitat. It is also notable that areas of acid grass, heath and neutral grassland (all present on the site) are increasingly rare in Kent, with only approximately 500 hectares remaining in the whole of the county.
- 3.4.17 Hedgerows described as 'over mature' are considered by the Bat Conservation Trust as ideal for providing bats with roosting, foraging and navigation routes.
- 3.4.18 There are considerably more than the 5 ancient ponds recorded on the site, linked by an established system of streams and ditches to preserve the nationally important populations of amphibians and invertebrates they continue to sustain.
- 3.4.20 The ecological value of the site is in its *combination* of natural features, which over hundreds of years have evolved into a priority habitat with no possibility of a major development of this scale enabling such a habitat to 'become more biodiverse', as suggested in 3.4.21.

Protected Species: 3.4.22 - 3.4.42

It is known that there are very significant breeding populations of protected great crested newts, slow worms and common lizards on the site. The EPR ecological surveys have recorded up to 7 species of bat without distinguishing between the more common or rarer myotis and long-eared species. The Noctule and Soprano Pipistrelle bats, recorded by Judith Ashton Associates as common, are in fact designated as Priority Species in the UK Biodiversity Action Plan. In addition to the 4 'Red-Listed Birds of Conservation Concern' mentioned, a further 11 red-listed species have been observed on the site by British Ornithological Trust recorders and registered with KMBRC, including the lapwing, lesser spotted woodpecker, willow tit, redwing and fieldfare, with the result that any major development would have a seriously detrimental effect on a minimum of 25 European Protected Species.

Notably absent from ecological data supplied by Judith Ashton Associates or from their assessment of the need for an Environmental Impact Survey is the detailed botanical survey one would expect for an area of unimproved grassland with acid and neutral soils present and an underlying geology of both sandstone and clay. Also absent is a survey of the insects and pollinators, now increasingly threatened, which are associated with such ancient sites. These are major and unexplained omissions.

- 3.4.45 We do not accept that water discharge from new roadways, pavements, drives and hard standings for 250 dwellings could be limited to that of the pre-development run-off.
- 3.4.47 There are a numerous documented problems with foul water disposal for houses bordering the site, resulting from an already overloaded local sewerage system.
- 3.4.52 There is no likelihood of the 'legibility of the medieval field boundaries' being preserved, in view of the number of houses to be built within and against those retained, with others reportedly to be 'removed where feasible'.

In consideration of the above, we believe an Environmental Impact Assessment to be entirely justified in advance of any building application being considered for the land in question; and on the assumption that an EIA will proceed, would request that Ashford Borough Council consult further with the KCC Environment office, the High Weald AONB and other environmental consultants such as the Council for the Protection of Rural England in defining the scope and nature of the assessment.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Masefield – on behalf of the Tenterden Neighbourhood Plan steering committee

From: melanie.mcneir@kent.gov.uk <melanie.mcneir@kent.gov.uk>

Sent: 09 July 2019 15:12

To: melanie.mcneir@kent.gov.uk

Subject: Proposed diversion of parts of Public Footpath AB36 at Tenterden

Dear consultee,

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (section 257): Proposed diversion of parts of Public Footpath AB36 at Tenterden

Kent County Council is now acting on behalf of the Ashford Borough Council in relation to Public Path Orders under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

An application to divert part of Public Footpath AB36 at Tenterden has been received from Redrow Homes Ltd., to whom planning permission has been granted in respect of a residential development comprising up to 100 dwellings, parking, landscaping, open space and associated works (planning reference 14/01420/AS). The proposed diversions of two sections of the path are necessary in order to enable the development to take place as several dwellings are proposed along the line of the existing footpath.

Please find attached a draft Order plan showing the proposed diversions as well as an extract from the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way showing the wider path network. The sections of path to be diverted are shown on the draft Order plan in a solid line between points A-B and D-E, whilst the proposed new routes are shown with bold black dashes between points A-C-B and D-E. The new path will have a compacted stone surface and a width of 2 metres between points A-C-B, with a recorded width of 4 metres between points D and E (albeit that it will be surfaced to 2 metres only).

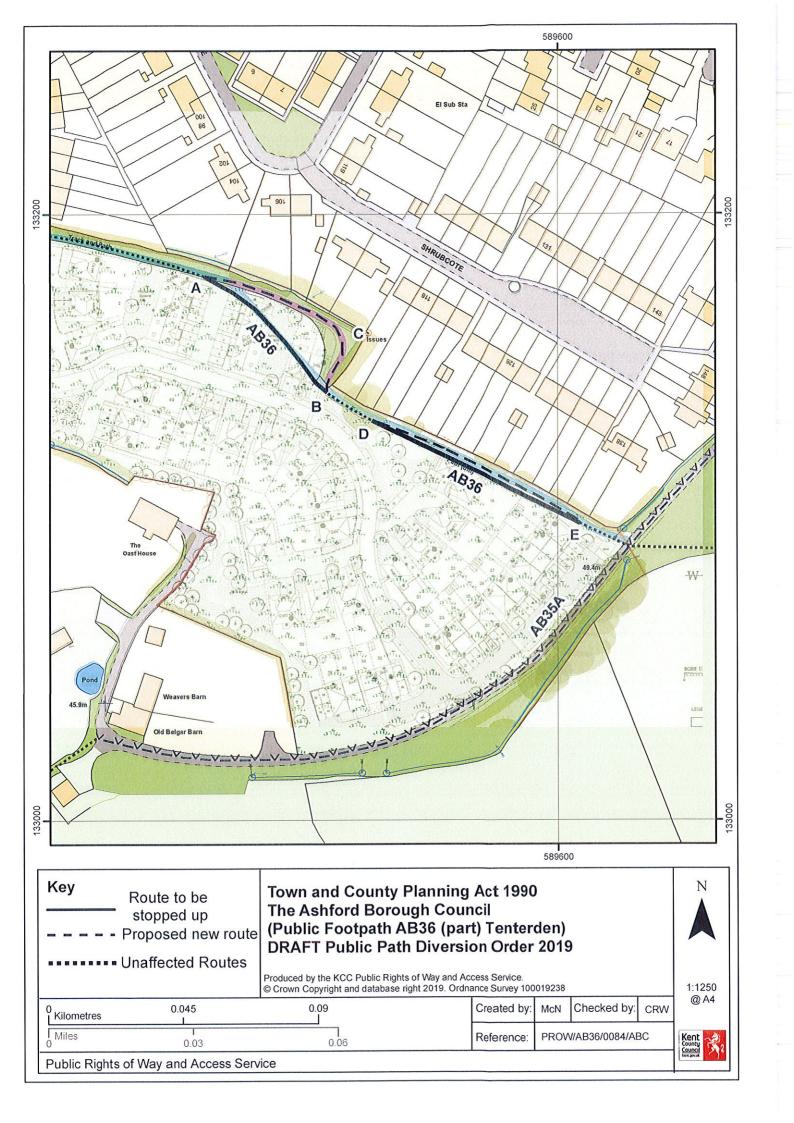
I would welcome your views on this proposal and look forward to hearing from you **no later** than Tuesday 6th August 2019.

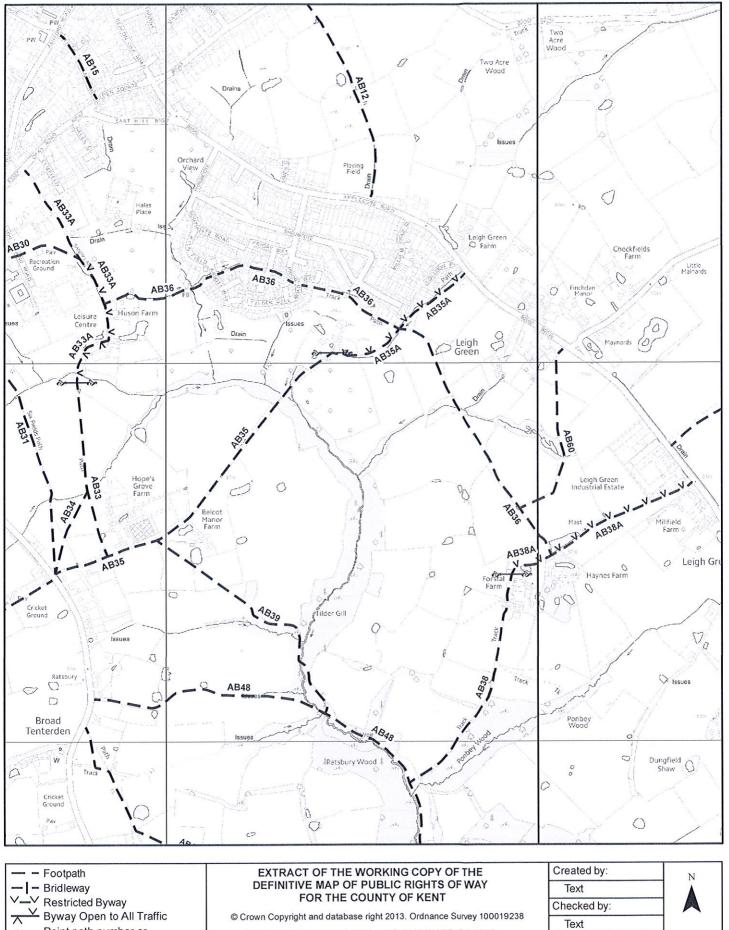
Please note that this is not an opportunity to object to the proposed development itself, the grant of planning permission for which has been approved by the Planning Inspectorate (on appeal). However, the County Council would welcome your views (if any) on the proposed change to the rights of way network necessitated by this development.

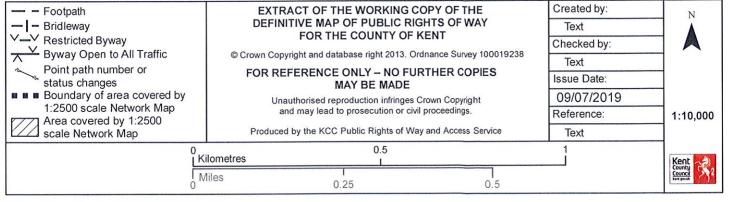
Should you have any queries regarding the proposal, please do not hesitate to contact me on 03000 413421.

Kind regards, Melanie

Melanie McNeir | PROW and Commons Registration Officer | PROW and Access Service | Countryside and Community Development | Growth, Environment and Transport | Kent County Council | Invicta House, Maidstone, ME14 1XX | Tel: 03000 413421 | www.kent.gov.uk







Notice of the intention to make an Order to temporarily close Public Footpath AB36 in the Parish of Tenterden

In The Borough of Ashford

Kent County Council

Public Footpath AB36 (Prohibition Of Traffic) Temporary Order 2019

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Section 14(1), As Amended By The Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991

Kent County Council intends to make an Order the effect of which is to temporarily close Public Footpath AB36, between Tilden Gill Road and a point approximately 67 metres east of the road (NGR TQ 894 331) from the 17 August 2019.

The path will be closed for a maximum of six months.

The path is closed because works are planned on or near it.

An alternative route will be available to the north of the closure and will be signed for the duration of the closure.

For detailed enquiries please contact: Faye Faiers Contact Centre no. 03000 417171

Or for further details on temporary closures on the Rights of Way Network see: www.kent.gov.uk/prowclosures

Alternatively, if you have a QR scanner you can scan the QR code using your smartphone:

Public Rights of Way and Access Service Kent County Council Invicta House County Hall Maidstone Kent ME14 1XX

Dated: 26th July 2019



Planning and Development

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Our Ref:

19/0079/SNN

Case Officer:

Kenneth Beach

Date:

19 July 2019

Mr P Burgess Town Clerk Tenterden Town Council Town Hall Tenterden, Kent **TN30 6AN**



Civic Centre **Tannery Lane** Ashford, Kent **TN23 1PL** (01233) 331111 www.ashford.gov.uk DX 151140 Ashford (Kent) 7



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Dear Mr P Burgess

Location: Land south and east of, Tilden Gill Road, Tenterden, Kent

I have received the following street naming suggestions for the new roads at the above development, the location of which is shown on the enclosed plan:-

PROPOSED NAME(S): New development - 100 dwellings and 3 roads - Rother Drive, Acorn Road, Bramley Grove

I look forward to receiving your views within 14 days of this letter.

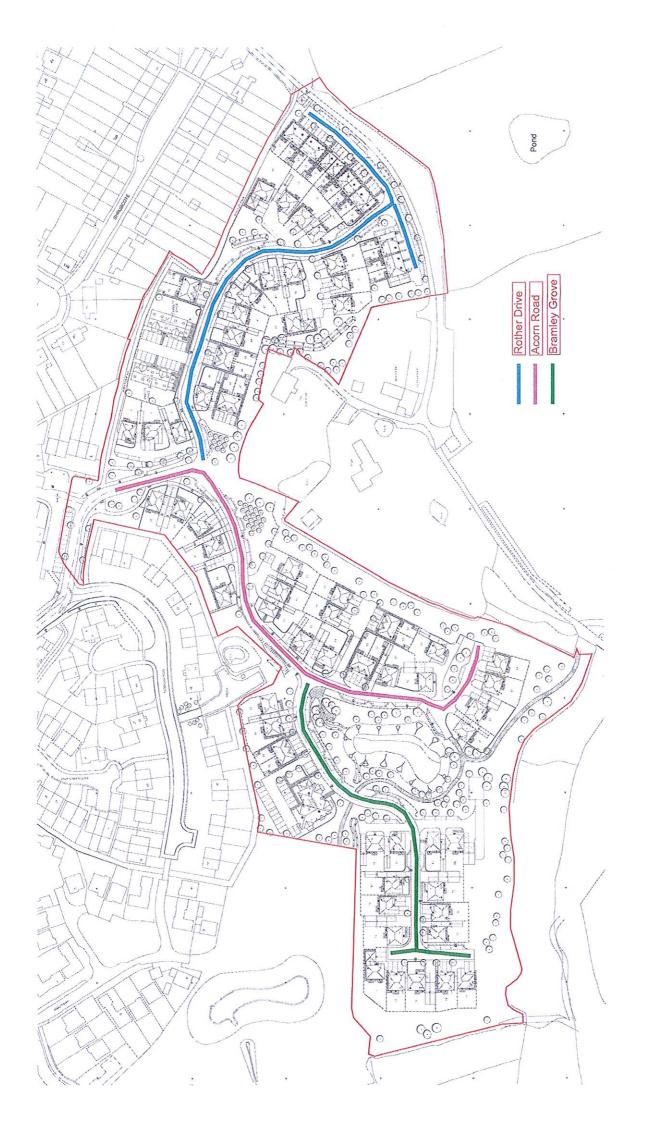
Unfortunately due to the legal requirements of the Street Naming process I am unable to extend this consultation period as the Council is required to determine the application within one month of receipt.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Yours sincerely

Kenneth Beach GIS Technical Officer and Deputy LLPG Custodian





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Ms Sue Ferguson Via e-mail

Our Ref:

CO/19/00130

Your Ref:

Date:

15 July 2019

Dear Ms Ferguson,

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Alleged Breach:

Alleged fitting of an air conditioning unit to a listed building

within a conservation area and unauthorised illuminated signage

Location Address: 52-56 High Street, Tenterden, Kent, TN30 6AU

I acknowledge receipt of your recent communication concerning the above.

Your enquiry has been registered and passed to the Planning Enforcement Team. I can confirm that a case is already open regarding the air conditioning unit. The matter concerning signage has now been added to the case.

The case has been allocated to Sophie Oliver as the investigating officer and has been given a priority of 2.

The case officer will update you on this matter accordingly in due course.

Yours sincerely

Planning Enforcement

for Joint Development Control Managers

Encls. What happens after I have reported an alleged breach leaflet