

TENTERDEN TOWN COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT TENTERDEN TOWN HALL ON 19TH FEBRUARY 2018

Councillors Present: M. Carter, Mrs. C. Curteis, H. Edwards (Vice-Chairman), Miss N. Gooch, R. Isworth, Dr. L. Lovelidge, Cllr. R. Lusty (Chairman), K. Mulholland and J. Nelson.

Officers Present: Deputy Town Clerk Mrs. C. Gilbert, Accounts Clerk Mrs. J. McCollum and Administrative Assistant Ms. S. Ratcliffe.

Others Present: Cllrs. Mrs. S. Ferguson, H. Hickmott, C. Knowles and A. Sugden (not members of this Committee), Ashford Borough Councillor Mr. P. Clokie and 2 members of the public.

6743 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** None.

6744 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** Cllr. Nelson reported the proximity of application no. 18/00050/AS to his business, therefore, would not vote.

6745 **MINUTES.** The minutes and report of the meeting held on 29th January 2018 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

6746 **MATTERS ARISING.** None.

6747 **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS.**

- (a) Cllr. Isworth reported that he has been asked why some of the windows on the Dandara and Taylor Wimpey developments have been blocked up. He enquired as to whether it was due to window tax. Cllr. Lusty agreed to ask the question at the TENT1 Steering Group meeting on 20th February 2018.

6748 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** The Committee considered the following planning applications. It was **RESOLVED** that its recommendations would be submitted.

18/00050/AS Land adjoining 16 Bells Lane, accessed from Jacksons Lane.

Construction of two residential dwellings with associated access, parking and amenity space.

Mr. A. Latter of Bells Lane addressed the Committee and expressed his concerns at the current problems with traffic on Jacksons Lane and Bells Lane, especially with large vehicles. Mr. Latter was also concerned at the exit from the development which would be on the narrowest part of Jacksons Lane. He believed there had been no environmental study conducted on the site and there would be issues with drainage.

Councillors expressed their concerns at the narrowness of the access; impact on the neighbour's privacy and over intensification. Cllr. Edwards reported that development had been proposed on the site in 2011 and refused by Ashford Borough Council, which was for one dwelling.

OBJECT on the following grounds.

1. Over intensification.

2. Access to development not wide enough.

3. The Town Council OBJECTED to the 2011 application (11/00866/AS) for one dwelling on the grounds:

(i) lack of a turning space on site and vehicles having to reverse along a driveway is sub-standard planning;

(ii) poor visibility splays on exiting the driveway;

(iii) overall car parking provision;

(iv) the proposal would be detrimental to the amenity of the neighbours.

Ashford Borough Council also objected to the 2011 application (11/00866/AS) on 1st September 2011.

The Town Council stands by the 2011 objections in addition to the above.

Cllr. Nelson abstained from voting.

18/00084/AS **32 Leslie Crescent.**
Single storey side/rear extension.
SUPPORT.

18/00099/AS **Land rear of 16 High Street.**
Erection of two detached houses with associated parking and access, removal of part of existing wall to allow access (revision to designs previously approved under planning reference 14/01529/AS).
SUPPORT.

Cllr. Carter left the room.

18/00105/AS **53 High Street.**
Refurbishment and upgrade of all existing building fabric and conversion of 1st floor into residential accommodation.
SUPPORT.

18/00106/AS **53 High Street.**
Refurbishment and upgrade of all existing building fabric and conversion of 1st floor into residential accommodation including removal of internal walls and widening of opening.
SUPPORT.

Cllr. Carter returned to the room.

- 18/00123/AS** **17 Pittlesden.**
Two storey extension to the side of the residence.
SUPPORT.
- 18/00181/AS** **Leigh Green House, Appledore Road.**
Ground floor extension to kitchen.
SUPPORT.
- 18/00192/AS** **Waters Land, Grange Road.**
Single storey linked annexe extension.
SUPPORT.
- 18/00193/AS** **Waters Land, Grange Road.**
Single storey linked annexe extension; removal and relocation of existing partition walls at ground floor level.
SUPPORT.

6749 **ASHFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL DECISIONS.** List No. 562 was **NOTED.**

6750 **ASHFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL – PROPOSED PARKING CONTROLS.** It was **RESOLVED** to support the proposal to create restricted parking zones on the TENT1a development. Ashford Borough Councillor Mr. P. Clokie reported that the restrictions were required; it was not possible to not have them. Cllr. Clokie also reported that it was suggested ten years ago to roll out restrictions to other roads in the Town, but residents were not in agreement. Cllr. Miss. Gooch reported that Longfield now had parking restrictions and there was considerable improvement in space for emergency services to get through. Cllr. Mulholland suggested that the restricted parking on TENT1a should be reviewed once in place and investigated for other roads in the Town.

6751 **SUB-COMMITTEE & WORKING GROUP REPORTS.** None.

6752 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS.** None.

The meeting opened at 7.00pm and closed at 7.40pm

The foregoing Minutes and Report were confirmed and signed at a meeting of the Planning Committee on the 12th day of March 2018.

Chairman _____ (12.03.2018)