

# TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of a meeting of the **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE** held on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018** in Telscombe Civic Centre at 7.30 pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs T Armour *Deputy Mayor*, D Brindley *Mayor*, J Harris, G Maskell, C Robinson, I Sharkey, & J Wilkins (*Chairman*)

**Also Present:** Bianca Buss, Amenities Officer (*minutes*)

*The meeting was adjourned to take questions from members of the public.*

## **2293. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Geraldine Van Buren wanted the Committee to note some information in relation to planning applications LW/18/0938 26 Fairlight Avenue and LW/18/0921 28 Fairlight Avenue and she was happy for her name to be recorded in the minutes. Geraldine had spoken with April Parsons, the Case Officer for this application and they have agreed to a site meeting sometime in January 2019 to view the requested extension from Mrs Van Buren's property and her concerns on loss of light. Ms Parsons had reported that the application is for a 'Certificate of Lawfulness' to be done under permitted development and that the deadline for this certificate is 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019. The Committee noted that Lewes District Council have since reported that the applications were sent to the Town Council in error as they were not planning applications but permitted development requests. Geraldine Van Buren also confirmed that she had not personally received notification of the planning certificate and that she was only aware of the application through the Town Council's agenda on the noticeboard outside the Civic Centre.

*The meeting reconvened at 7.45pm.*

## **2294. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were received from Cllr Mendoza due to work commitments and this reason for absence was accepted by the Committee. Cllr G Maskell was agreed as a sub. Cllr Loraine was not present and had not submitted apologies.

## **2295. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Brindley declared an interest under 'Urgent Matters', in relation to an item the Amenities Officer had previously confirmed she would submit.

## **2296. TO DISCUSS, APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2018**

The Committee considered the minutes of the meeting and it was proposed by Cllr Brindley, seconded by Cllr Robinson and unanimously **RESOLVED** that they were a true record of the proceedings and were signed as correct by the Chairman.

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## 2297. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

<b>LW/18/0881</b> <b>Amendment of</b> <b>LW/17/0316</b> <b>1 Ashurst Avenue,</b> <b>East Saltdean</b> Case Officer: Mr Christopher Wright	<b>Proposed variation of condition 1 of application</b> <b>LW/17/0316 in order to make minor adjustments to the approved scheme</b> The committee considered the application and it was proposed by Cllr Brindley, seconded by Cllr G Maskell and unanimously recommended to <b>SUPPORT</b> the application due to there being minimal change, with no difference to the footprint of the proposed property.
<b>LW/18/0938</b> <b>26 Fairlight Avenue,</b> <b>Telscombe Cliffs</b> Case Officer: Ms April Parsons	<b>Extension of Rear Dormer to Chalet style dwelling</b> The committee were unable to consider the application as Lewes District Council have since informed the Town Council that the application is for a 'Certificate of Lawfulness'.
<b>LW/18/0921</b> <b>28 Fairlight Avenue,</b> <b>Telscombe Cliffs</b> Case Officer: Ms April Parsons	<b>Extension of Rear First Floor Dormer to Chalet style dwelling</b> The committee were unable to consider the application as Lewes District Council have since informed the Town Council that the application is for a 'Certificate of Lawfulness'.
<b>LW/18/0918</b> <b>90 Bevendean Avenue,</b> <b>East Saltdean</b> Case Officer: Mr Piotr Kulik	<b>Application Reference Number: LW/17/1069 Date of decision: 05/03/2018. Condition Number(s): change to floor plan, Condition(s) Removal: client change to floor plan, change of floor plan</b> The committee considered the application and it was proposed by Cllr Brindley, seconded by Cllr Harris and unanimously recommended to <b>SUPPORT</b> the application due to there being minimal change, with no difference to the footprint of the proposed property.
<b>LW/18/0903</b> <b>6 Bush Close,</b> <b>Telscombe Cliffs</b> Case Officer: Mr Robin Hirschfield	<b>Single storey rear extension to the property – 3 metres x 5 metres with an eaves height of 2.7m</b> The committee were unable to consider the application as Lewes District Council have since informed the Town Council that the application is for a 'Certificate of Lawfulness'.

## 2298. NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING RESULTS

<b>LW/18/0732</b> 42 Wicklands Avenue, Saltdean, East Sussex BN2 8EP	Planning Application for proposed raised decking to rear of property (part retrospective). <b>Lewes DC REFUSES permission</b> subject to conditions. Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee <b>SUPPORTED</b> the application.
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The Committee noted the planning result above.

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## **2299. PEACEHAVEN AND TELSCOMBE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Amenities Officer reported that the Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group had requested that the Councillors and staff of Telscombe Town Council support the Neighbourhood Plan and attend the meetings where possible, which are held at Peacehaven Town Council Offices on the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm. The next meeting will be held in February 2019.

## **2300. ACTION LIST**

The action list was noted as follows:

Date of Meeting	Issue Detail	Action Owner	Update	Due Date
06.08.2018	Min 2224, p 2819 – Notification of planning results	BB	Report comparing LDC's decisions against TTC's to be compiled and placed on agenda for early March 2019.	01.03.2019
29.08.2018	Min 2237, p 2827 – Tree Planting Scheme	JW/BB	Bianca has contacted Plumpton College, EH Treecare and Burley's for quotations on planting trees. Awaiting answer.	10.12.2018
29.08.2018	Min 2240, p 2828 – Damaged street light column	BB/SN	The insurance company have agreed to pay for the damaged street column. Bianca has contacted ESH to ask them to commence the works.	
08.10.2018	Min 2266, p 2853 – Urgent Matters	BB	Bianca reported overgrown brambles between Telscombe Grange and Smugglers Rest to East Sussex Highways, who have confirmed the Highway Steward will inspect the area and report back to us.	January 2019
29.10.2018	Min 2273, p 2855 – Proposed Upgrade of Electronic Communications Base Station	BB	Awaiting planning application to come through to Lewes District Council.	
29.10.2018	Min 2278, p 2856 – Community Speedwatch Telscombe Village	JW/BB	Cllr Wilkins to write to East Sussex County Council with a view of getting the speed limit reduced to 20mph through Telscombe Village. Bianca has contacted East Sussex Highways of the cost of adding a 'dangerous bend' sign on the road, who have reported that it has been referred to the 'Traffic and Safety Team' who will assess and report back to us.	

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## 2300. Action List (Contd)

29.10.2018	Min 2280, p 2857 – Urgent Matters	BB	Bianca reported broken kerb stones at Buckhurst Road to ESH (Case Ref No. 00293593).	
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Tree Planting Scheme – Cllr Wilkins confirmed that the Council cannot apply for funding but that it can be requested via the Residents Association. Cllr Wilkins also reported that the trees must be planted by February.

## **2301. URGENT MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN FOR NOTING**

Cllr Brindley asked if there was an update on Bridleway Gate 8. The Amenities Officer advised that she had passed the information to the Town Clerk to collate and will bring back to the Committee for discussion once received.

Cllr G Maskell enquired on the developments to the bike chained to the railings at Telscombe Cliffs Way. The Amenities Officer confirmed that East Sussex Highways have been informed and will action within the next week.

Cllr Wilkins voiced her concerns with the new planning application process at Lewes District Council including:

- The quality of documentation
- Information coming through to the Town Council that we should not be getting
- Difficulty in getting through to the Planning Department at Lewes District Council

It was agreed that the Amenities Officer would contact Lewes District Council to discuss the service currently being provided and also request for them to provide a clear definition on permitted development.

The Amenities Officer reported that she had received a consultation letter from Lewes District Council in relation to an appeal against refusal of planning application LW/18/0578 6 Grassmere Avenue. Lewes District Council needed a response by 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019, and as our next meeting is not until 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019, it will need to be discussed under ‘Urgent Matters’. We have been asked if we would like to modify or withdraw our comments. It was proposed by Cllr G Maskell, seconded by Cllr Robinson and **RECOMMENDED** to not modify or withdraw our comments. Cllr Brindley abstained from voting and did not take part in the discussion as he had declared an interest in this item.

Cllr Armour reported that the Coombe Farm development had now started.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Signed .....  
Chairman

*Next meeting of the Committee – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019*