

TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of a meeting of the **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE** held on **MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2016** in Civic Centre at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT:- Cllr. D. Neave (*Chairman*) Cllr. J. Wilkins *Ex O*, Cllr. J. Harris.
Cllr. T. Armour, Cllr. A. Mendoza,

Also present: Nancy Astley – Town Clerk (*minutes*)

The meeting was deferred at 7.30pm to allow a presentation from Mr. Joey Appleton explaining about the opening of his new Lower Hoddern Farm Shop in Peacehaven and the benefits it would bring to the local community, via employment and selling local farm produce from Sussex.

The meeting commenced at 8.05pm.

1936. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr. Peter Seed asked whether the report at Agenda Item 9 on validation requirements, should also address zero carbon housing. The Clerk explained that this would be more of a policy related matter and would need to be part of the consultation on the forthcoming local plan policies as opposed to the validation requirements. The Chair asked that the matter be further addressed as part of the agenda item.

1937. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies were received from Cllr. R. Maskell who was recovering from a recent operation and would be on leave for six weeks. Cllr. G. Maskell sent her apologies for one meeting as she was caring for her husband. The apologies were accepted by the Committee.

1938. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. T. Armour declared an interest on Item no.11 application for a Bridleway 8 key as the applicant had a horse stabled at the Councillors farm. The Committee asked for Cllr. Armour not to vote on the item, but allowed him to stay and provide clarification that the applicant had a horse at Stud Farm.

1939. TO APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2016

The minutes of the above meeting were proposed by Cllr. J. Harris and seconded by Cllr. J. Wilkins and unanimously accepted by the Committee. The Chairman signed the minutes as an accurate record.

1940. MATTERS ARISING FOR NOTING

Item 1931 p.2529 – Cllr. Armour asked the Clerk for an update on Bridleway 6. The Clerk confirmed that the matter had been passed over to East Sussex County Council who would send inspectors to determine what work needed to be done. Cllr. Armour explained that if further works were needed then it would be possible to get Countryman's to quote for the work.

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1940. MATTERS ARISING FOR NOTING (cont.)

Item 1935 p. 2532, Cllr. J. Wilkins reported that the flint wall had been removed by the side of Bank Cottages as had some iron post and rail fence around the cemetery of the church, which apparently was to allow access to the rear gardens. The Committee asked the Clerk to report this matter to the Enforcement team at the South Downs National Park Authority as it was not believed to be part of the planning applications and the Church was a Grade 1 listed building.

1941. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

LW/16/0934

**26 Nutley Avenue E.
Saltdean BN2**

Erection of single storey rear extension.

The Planning & Highways Committee considered the application and **SUPPORT** the proposal subject to conditions requiring the restriction of hours of construction work to protect neighbouring amenities, a condition to ensure that matching materials are used to protect the street scene, and a condition requiring that any damage made to the grass verge/kerb line as a result of construction be made good prior to completion. To protect the street scene.

1942. NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING RESULTS

LW/16/0698

**28 Crowborough Road
E.Saltdean BN2**

Erection of two bedroom detached bungalow.

Lewes DC **REFUSES** permission for the application by virtue of its size, siting and design which will have an intrusive appearance, be out of keeping with the street scene and harmful to the visual amenity of the area. By reason of the difference in ground levels the proposed development would have an overbearing impact and result in an increased sense of enclosure for neighbouring residents. Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **OBJECT** to the proposal by virtue of the size and siting of the house which would look cramped in the street scene and have an overbearing impact on the neighbouring properties and have a lack of amenity space.

LW/16/0785

**3 The Esplanade
Telscombe Cliffs BN10**

Demolition of existing garage and erection of extension to form annexe accommodation.

Lewes DC **APPROVE** the application subject to conditions requiring matching materials to be used. The building not to be occupied at any time other than for the purposes ancillary to the main dwelling, construction hours to be restricted and works to cease should contamination be found.

Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **SUPPORT** the application subject to condition requiring matching materials, restricted hours of construction working and all construction deliveries to be undertaken after 9.30am due to impact on heavily congested road network.

The Committee noted the planning results.

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1943. TO NOTE ACTION LOG

The Committee noted the action log. The Clerk was requested to continue to chase ESCC with regards to footpath 12a.

1944. TO APPROVE CONSULTATION COMMENTS ON THE SOUTH DOWNS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY VALIDATION LIST.

The Clerk explained that in her opinion the validation list for the South Downs National Park Authority lacked clarity and did not address issues that the Clerk thought would be relevant in a National Park. Lots of time could have been spent rewriting the list, but as this wasn't the Clerks job, the Clerk had provided the main points in the report that she hoped the Committee would support as consultation comments on behalf of the Council. The recommendation was proposed by Cllr. J. Wilkins and seconded by Councillor J. Harris and unanimously supported by the committee. The Committee asked the Clerk to additionally add comments on behalf of the Committee that expressed their disappointment that the SDNPA had not consulted the towns prior to this consultation and that the committee were of the view that the validation list should be more detailed to provide clarification to developers.

1945. TO DISCUSS THE REMOVAL OF TWO BT TELEPHONE BOXES.

The two telephone boxes identified, Ambleside Avenue and Bevendean Avenue, were new boxes and as such had little aesthetic appeal or alternative uses. Cllr. Neave suggested that the box at Ambleside Avenue could host a defibrillator, while the Committee thought this was a good idea, it was felt that the location was wrong and actually a defibrillator at TESCO may be a better alternative.

1946. TO APPROVE BRIDLEWAY 8 KEY APPLICATION FOR J.RUSSELL

The application was proposed by Cllr. J. Wilkins, seconded by Cllr. A. Mendoza and supported by the Committee.

1947. URGENT MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN FOR NOTING AND/OR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE AGENDA

Cllr. J. Harris reported that Toyota low loaders continued to park and damage the A259 grass verge and pavement. The matter had been taken to SLR committee and Ian Johnson of ESCC was going to investigate further and report back.

Cllr. T. Armour reported that his sheep were currently at Ditchling.

Cllr. Armour also reported that he had heard that only two police officers would be based at Lewes, with most be deployed to Eastbourne. Cllr. D Neave, explained that he had attended a meeting with Inspector Rob Leet who had explained that most officers would be within response vehicles and would be travelling the District, with hubs at Seaford and a desk at Peacehaven. The police service was becoming more reactionary, focusing more resources on areas of high crime or those areas that have a crime increase.

Cllr. J. Wilkins asked whether the LDC "playstreets" scheme would be beneficial for Grassmere Avenue. The Clerk advised that she didn't think this would be a possibility

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because it was only applicable at specific times during the day which wouldn't necessarily help relieve the pressure of traffic in the area.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting was closed at 9.07pm.

Signed.....
CHAIRMAN

NB Next meeting of the committee – Monday 12th December 2016 at 7.30pm