

TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of a meeting of the **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE** held on **Monday 16th September 2019** in Telscombe Civic Centre at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs D Brindley, J Harris *Chairman*, D Judd, L Mills,
C Robinson *Vice Chairman* & I Sharkey *Mayor*

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

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

2439. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A resident noted that Item 6 of the Agenda did not confirm if Planning Application LW/19/0334 16 The Esplanade had been granted or refused planning permission by Lewes District Council. The Amenities Officer apologised for the error and confirmed that Lewes District Council had indeed granted permission. The same resident also asked how the Telscombe Tree Scheme was progressing. The Amenities Officer confirmed that the deadline for deposits was today and that the last one had been received in the post that morning.

The meeting reconvened at 7.35pm.

2440. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies were received from Cllr Hill who was on leave and Cllr Clarkson for a personal matter and these reasons were accepted by the Committee. Cllr Cheta retrospectively sent apologies for a prior engagement.

2441. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

2442. TO APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28th AUGUST 2019

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

2443. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

LW/19/0545 & LW/19/0615 – Smugglers Rest, South Coast Road, Telscombe Cliffs, E Sussex. BN10 7BE (*case officer Robin Hirschfeld*)

Proposed new signage.

The committee considered the application and it was proposed by Cllr Robinson, seconded by Cllr Sharkey and unanimously recommended to **SUPPORT** the application.

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2443. Planning Applications (Contd)

LW/19/0581 – 57 Cissbury Crescent, Saltdean, E Sussex, BN2 8RH (*case officer James Smith*)

Section 73 retrospective application to raise a section of the fence with adjoining neighbour above 2 metres.

The committee considered the application and it was proposed by Cllr Sharkey, seconded by Cllr Judd and unanimously recommended to **SUPPORT** the application on condition that the adjoining neighbour also approves the fence height.

2444. NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS

LW/19/0334 – 16 The Esplanade, Telscombe Cliffs, E Sussex, BN10 7HE
Lewes DC **GRANTS PERMISSION.**

Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **OBJECTED** to the application.

LW/19/0462 – Land at rear of 1 Wheatlands Close, Telscombe Cliffs, E Sussex,
Lewes DC **REFUSES PERMISSION.**

Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **SUPPORTED** the application.

LW/19/0465 – 1 Sussex Way, Telscombe Cliffs, E Sussex, BN10 7EX
Lewes DC **GRANTS PERMISSION.**

Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **SUPPORTED** the application.

LW/19/0481 – 37 Gorham Way, Telscombe Cliffs, E Sussex, BN10 7BA
Lewes DC **GRANTS PERMISSION.**

Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **SUPPORTED** the application.

LW/19/0496 – Lincoln Avenue, Peacehaven, E Sussex, BN10 7JU
Lewes DC **REFUSES PERMISSION.**

Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **SUPPORTED** the application.

The Committee noted the planning decisions above.

2445. NOTIFICATION OF LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT DECISION

LW/19/0476 – 37 Gorham Way, Telscombe Cliffs, E Sussex, BN10 7BA

Lewes DC **REFUSED** application for Certificate of Lawful Use of Development due to the fact that the single storey rear extension does not fall within development permitted by Class A, Schedule 2, Part 1 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development). Due to the extension being over 4 metres and up to 8 metres in length from the original rear wall of the original dwelling house, a neighbour consultation prior to approval would be more appropriate.

The Committee noted the decision above.

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2446. NOTIFICATION OF STOPPING UP ORDER DECISION

NATTRAN/SE/S247/3167 – stopping up of highway at 161 Ambleside Avenue, Telscombe Cliffs, E Sussex, BN10 7LH

The order will **NOT** be made.

The Committee noted the decision above.

2447. PLANNING APPLICATION RESULTS COMPARISON REPORT

The Committee noted the planning results comparison report between Telscombe Town Council and Lewes District Council and were disappointed to see that Lewes District Council had granted permission to the 6 planning applications that the Committee objected to. Cllr Mills suggested that the reason might be due to building regulations and not necessarily planning. It was proposed by Cllr Judd, seconded by Cllr Mills and unanimously **RECOMMENDED** that the analysis is provided again in 6 months' time for the Committee to note. Cllr Robinson thanked the Admin Assistant for compiling the comparison report.

2448. 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 has been compiled & placed on the agenda.	16.09.2019
29.08.2018	Min 2237, p 2827 – Tree Planting Scheme	BB	Bianca written to residents asking for payment by Monday 16.9.19.	Sept 2019
04.02.2019	Min 2323, p 2918 – Urgent Matters	BB	Bianca re-emailed ESH concerning request for a proposed bus shelter at Bannings Vale & the junction of Ifield Close. Awaiting response.	Oct 2019
01.05.2019	Min 2368, p 2964 – Review of Bridleway Gate 8 and Key Holders	BB	Bianca to investigate padlock and key prices.	Oct 2019
22.05.2019	Min 2383, p 2979 – Urgent Matters	BB	Bianca re-chased April Parsons at LDC re erection of a 2m gate at 40 Ambleside Avenue & is awaiting reply.	Oct 2019
15.07.2019	Min 2408, p 3001 – Community Bus Fare Increase	BB	The Committee recommended that TTC continue to support the Community Bus. This will be taken to Full Council on 18.9.19 for consideration.	Sept 2019
05.08.2019	Min 2420, p 3016 – Wildflower Grass Verges	BB	Bianca, Cllr Robinson and Cllr Harris have arranged to visit potential sites with James Newmarch from ESCC and a resident on 18.9.18. Report to be added to next Planning & Highways Committee Meeting.	07.10.2019

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2448. Action List (Contd)

Date of Meeting	Issue Detail	Action owner	Update	Due Date
05.08.2019	Min 2422, p 3017 – Bollards on Grass Verges	BB	Bianca to investigate options and costings for bollards on grass verges.	Oct 2019
28.08.2019	Min 2430, p 3028 – Planning Applications	BB	Bianca to investigate concerns with obscured glass not being used for planning application LW/17/0316 - 1 Ashurst Avenue.	
28.08.2019	Min 2433, p 3028 – Land Ownership between Telscombe Grange and Smugglers Public House	BB	Bianca emailed HM Registry re process for the Town Council to adopt the large piece of unregistered land between these two locations. Awaiting reply.	
28.08.2019	Min 2434, p 3029 – Bus Shelter Repair	BB	Bianca to investigate sponsorship of bus shelters.	
28.08.2019	Min 2435, p 3029 – Best Kept Road Competition	BB	Bianca contacted a member of the Horticultural Society who is willing to assist with the 'Best Kept Garden' Competition. Will be added to the next meeting to discuss possible categories.	Oct 2019
28.08.2019	Min 2436, p 3029 – Parking Signs	BB	Bianca emailed ESCC's Road Safety Team 02.09.2019 asking them to make further investigations and is awaiting reply. Bianca to contact Thai Elephant requesting they advertise Fairlight Avenue Car Park on their menu or a notice placed in their window.	Oct 2019

Tree Planting Scheme – The Amenities Officer confirmed that 5 properties had taken up the Scheme. Cllr Brindley asked the Amenities Officer to investigate an issue with the previous scheme in 2014. Trees had been damaged by the contractors who cut the grass verges and they had agreed to pay for replacements but there has been no further action.

Planning Applications – The Amenities Officer provided pictures confirming that obscured glass had been used for the rear windows. Cllr Judd confirmed he would discuss this with the residents who highlighted the issue.

Best Kept Road Competition – It was agreed to extend this Agenda Item to 28th October 2019 as Cllr Robinson will not be in attendance at the next Planning & Highways Committee meeting.

2449. URGENT MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN FOR NOTING OR ADDING ON A FUTURE AGENDA

Cllr Robinson highlighted that she had struggled to contact a Planning Officer at Lewes District Council to discuss concerns residents had approached her with in relation to a Planning Application. Cllr Robinson had left various messages for the Officer to contact her and only received a response after she asked another employee within Lewes District Council to pass on her messages.

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Signed
Chairman

Next meeting of the Committee – Monday 7th October 2019