

TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of a remote meeting of the **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE** held on Monday 14th December 2020 at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: Councillors C Cheta, C Clarkson, J Harris *Chairman*, D Judd, L Mills, C Robinson *Vice Chairman* & I Sharkey *Mayor*

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

2688. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

2689. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Cllr Brindley was absent and sent apologies retrospectively as he was attending a work meeting which overran.

2690. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

2691. TO APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2020

Cllr Robinson was not present at the last Planning & Highways meeting and reported that she was disappointed to learn from the minutes that ESCC had confirmed that no grass verges were able to host a tree. She asked the Amenities Officer to investigate the option of bushes being planted as an alternative.

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

2692. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS

LW/20/0725 – 1 Chailey Crescent, Saltdean, East Sussex BN2 8DP

Case Officer: James Emery

Erection of raised timber deck in rear garden, with glass balustrading and new bifold doors to rear elevation

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

LW/20/0761 – 3 Telscombe Cliffs Way, Telscombe Cliffs, East Sussex BN10 7DX

Case Officer: William De-haviland-Reid

Erection of the first storey extension, two-storey front extension, single storey side extension, single storey rear/side extension, rear decking area and internal alterations

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2692. Planning Applications (Contd)

LW/20/0761 – 3 Telscombe Cliffs Way, Telscombe Cliffs, East Sussex BN10 7DX (Contd)

The Committee considered the application and it was proposed by Cllr Robinson, seconded by Cllr Judd and unanimously recommended to **OBJECT** to the application for the following reasons:

- i. Overdevelopment
- ii. Out of keeping with the street scene
- iii. Overshadowing

2693. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPEAL

APP/P1425/W/20/36261253 – 11a Nutley Avenue, Saltdean, East Sussex BN2 8ED

Case Officer: William De-haviland-Reid

Demolition of existing single garage and formation of two storey, two bedroom house
Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee objected to the original application (LW/20/0488)

The committee considered the appeal and it was proposed by Cllr Sharkey, seconded by Cllr Robinson and **RECOMMENDED** to continue to **OBJECT** to the application, for the same reasons as originally specified.

2694. TO NOTE THE FOLLOWING LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT DECISIONS

LW/20/0708 – 25 Nutley Avenue, Saltdean, East Sussex BN2 8ED

Rear hip to gable extension with two side dormers
Lewes DC certified **IS LAWFUL**

The Committee noted the lawful development decision.

2695. TO NOTE THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS

LW/20/0583 – 17 Springfield Avenue, Telscombe Cliffs, East Sussex BN10 7AR

Rear extension and loft conversion
Lewes DC **REFUSES PERMISSION**
Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **OBJECTED** to the application

LW/20/0680 – 45 Cliff Gardens, Telscombe Cliffs, East Sussex BN10 7BS

Variation of condition 1 to alter the 2nd floor fenestration and materials in relation to planning application LW/19/0065
Lewes DC **GRANTS PERMISSION**
Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **SUPPORTED** the application

LW/20/0693 – 110 Rodmell Avenue, Saltdean, East Sussex BN2 8PJ

Erection of rear two storey infill extension, with the existing first floor balcony extended across the new flat roof
Lewes DC **GRANTS PERMISSION**
Telscombe's Planning & Highways Committee **SUPPORTED** the application

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2695. Planning Application Decisions (Contd)

LW/20/0714 – 16 The Esplanade, Telscombe Cliffs, East Sussex BN10 7HE

Front facing balcony (resubmission following LW/20/0258)

Lewes DC **GRANTS PERMISSION**

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

SDNP/20/04283/LIS – K6 Telephone Kiosk, Gorham's Lane, Telscombe Village, East Sussex

Conversion of listed telephone box to a defibrillator

Lewes DC **GRANTS** Listed Building Consent

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

The Committee noted the planning application decisions.

2696. TO RECEIVE ACTION LIST

The Action List was noted as follows:

Date of Meeting	Issue Detail	Action Owner	Update	Due Date
13.01.2020	Min 2518, p 3112 – Urgent Matters (request for parking signs at Kirby Drive)	BB	Speedwatch representative advised will add signs after lockdown.	Jan 2021
29.06.2020	Min 2596, p 3206 – Street Column Structural Testing	BB	Testing actioned end November. Results to be verified.	Jan 2021
21.09.2020	Min 2637, p 3255 – To consider the planning application results comparison report	BB	Report comparing LDC's decisions against TTC's to be compiled & placed on agenda for March.	Mar 2021
21.09.2020	Min 2642, p 3257 – Urgent Matters (street sign Arundel Road)	BB	Broken street sign now fixed.	Completed
12.10.2020	Min 2653, p 3268 – To ratify community infrastructure levy application for a proposed bus shelter at Bannings Vale	BB	LDC have confirmed a final decision on bids will be made Dec 2020. <i>Not received to date.</i>	Jan 2021
12.10.2020	Min 2654, p 3268 – To consider applying to East Sussex County Council for formally designated wildflower verges	BB	Applications for current wildflower verges sent to ESCC who will update us in Jan 2021. BB asked Countrymans to add Bannings Vale back to the urban grass verge cutting for 2021.	Feb 2021

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2696. Action List (Contd)

Date of Meeting	Issue Detail	Action Owner	Update	Due Date
12.10.2020	Min 2655, p 3268 – To consider progressing a proposed wildflower verge in Telscombe	BB	An agenda item has been added to this meeting.	Completed
02.11.2020	Min 2664, p 3270 – To discuss parking enforcement referred from SLR Meeting	BB	Residents have now been written to advising TTC have received complaints re vehicles parking on grass verge. Responses being received and will be taken to the next P&H meeting.	Jan 2021
02.11.2020	Min 2671, p 3275 – To consider progressing wildflower verges for 2021	BB	BB written to x3 residents in front of the proposed verge to consult for comments, with deadline of 11.12.20	Jan 2021
23.11.2020	Min 2678, p 3293 – To consider the following planning appeal	BB	Bianca has written to the Planning Inspectorate reconfirming the reasons for objection.	Completed
23.11.2020	Min 2682, p 3295 – To consider participating in ESCC's Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan	BB	Cllrs Harris, Sharkey & O'Connor to draft a response with PHTC, to be ratified at the next P&H meeting.	Jan 2021
23.11.2020	Min 2684, p 3296 – To discuss the proposed tree scheme for Telscombe residents	BB	BB contacted ESCC & Countrymans concerning using wildflower verges as an alternative option to tree planting, before making contact with residents. Awaiting reply.	Jan 2021
23.11.2020	Min 2687, p 3297 – Urgent Matters	BB	Reported broken cover at the Toyota Garage. Case ref 00524729.	Jan 2021

To discuss parking enforcement referred from SLR Meeting – The Amenities Officer confirmed that Cllr Robinson had kindly hand delivered the letters along the road and the Town Council had already received a response from 10 residents. 8 would like the Town Council to investigate enforcement and 2 do not.

2697. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

Cllr Gallagher advised she would provide a full update at the Town Council meeting on Wednesday 16th December, but wanted to thank the Town Clerk and Administration Assistant for all their help in getting the survey printed and arranging its distribution.

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2698. TO REVIEW THE BUSINESS PLAN

The Committee **noted** the Business Plan. Cllr Sharkey requested that a Climate Emergency meeting is held in the New Year to discuss this project. Cllr Robinson advised that the District Council cabinet met on Thursday to discuss a memorandum of understanding relating to the sea defences between Ambleside Avenue to the Southern Water works. Cllr Smith initiated this project some time ago and she reported that the Town Council have £30,000 in earmarked reserves for the supporting of this scheme.

2699. TO CONSIDER PROGRESSING A PROPOSED WILDFLOWER VERGE IN TELSCOMBE CLIFFS

The Amenities Officer advised the Committee that consultation had been undertaken with the residents who live in the flats behind the proposed wildflower verge and three out of nineteen properties responded, all confirming their agreement with progression of such a verge. It was proposed by Cllr Sharkey, seconded by Cllr Robinson and unanimously **RECOMMENDED** that this location is added as a wildflower verge for 2021 and that the residents are informed by letter that the Council will be undertaking monthly surveys between April and October in the area to establish what is growing in this location.

2700. TO CONSIDER SWITCHING OFF TTC OWNED STREET LIGHTS IN EARLY HOURS

The Committee discussed the report from the Town Clerk concerning the consideration of turning off the 26 street lights that are owned by the Town Council. The Committee felt that they needed more information concerning the savings and it was **agreed** that the Amenities Officer would make further investigations and bring them back to a future meeting.

2701. TO DISCUSS ELECTRIC POWERED SCOOTERS AND BICYCLES DRIVING ON THE LOCAL PAVEMENTS

The report from the Amenities Officer was discussed by the Committee. Cllr Harris advised that he wanted this item added as he had received complaints from residents that electric powered scooters are driving dangerously fast on the local pathways and reported that one lady had been knocked over by one of these scooters at a bus stop. It is illegal for both electric powered scooters and bicycles to use any pedestrian pathway and any vehicles seen can be reported to the Police via the non-emergency 101 telephone line. This was **noted** by the Committee.

2702. URGENT MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN FOR NOTING OR ADDING ON A FUTURE AGENDA

Cllr Mills reported that vans had been parking on the South Coast Road at the property next to Roclyns care home. It's becoming increasingly dangerous and she noted 7 vans in this location. Cllr Mills confirmed she had reported this to the Amenities Officer who advised she had passed on the complaint to the Parking Shop at Lewes and urged for someone to attend as the verge sits in front of double yellow lines and is next to road works being undertaken in this section of the road. The Amenities Officer advised she would continue to chase this with the Parking Shop.

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2702. Urgent Matters (Contd)

The Amenities Officer advised that an email had been received today from Brighton & Hove City Council, inviting Telscombe Town Council to participate in their public consultation on the draft masterplan for the Hove Station area, in the form of a draft supplementary planning document. Although the consultation runs until 7th February 2021, there are two online public meetings via Zoom on 11th January and 14th January 2021 and the Town Council need to advise by Friday 8th January if they would like to attend. As this is before the next Planning & Highways meeting, the Amenities Officer asked if the Councillors would like to comment on this consultation and if they would they like to attend the online public meeting. Following consideration from the Committee, it was proposed by Cllr Robinson, seconded by Cllr Judd and unanimously **RECOMMENDED** not to participate in the consultation.

2703. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was **RESOLVED** to exclude the press and public during consideration of the following items pursuant to section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reasons of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

2704. TO CONSIDER BRIDLEWAY 8 GATE APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered the three key applications received for the gate at Bridleway 8.

Applicant 1 lives in Telscombe Village and had requested two keys so that both residents in the property can access facilities in Telscombe Cliffs. It was proposed by Cllr Judd, seconded by Cllr Robinson and unanimously **RECOMMENDED** that only one key is provided for this applicant, in line with the criteria that they live in Telscombe Village and that one key is issued per household.

Applicant 2 lives in Peacehaven and had requested a key to be able to carry out their role at St Laurence Church. It was proposed by Cllr Judd, seconded by Cllr Robinson and unanimously **RECOMMENDED** that a key is not provided to this applicant as they are not an essential user and can access the church via the C7 road.

Applicant 3 lives in Telscombe Cliffs and had requested a key to access the village. The applicant had provided supporting information by way of a statement of truth from residents who previously lived at this address and details listed on the Land Registry official copy of the title register, which confirm that the registered proprietor claims that the land in this title has the benefit of a right of way over the bridleway. As there is no evidence that this right of way has been approved, it was proposed by Cllr Sharkey, seconded by Cllr Judd and unanimously **RECOMMENDED** that a key is not provided to this applicant.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.34 pm

Signed, Chairman

Next meeting of the Committee – Monday 13th January 2021