



Seaford Town Council

Planning and Highways Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the **Planning and Highways Committee** held at the **Council Chambers, 37 Church Street, Seaford** on **Thursday 4th April 2019** commencing at **7.00 p.m.**

Present:

Councillors L Wallraven (Chairman), L Freeman and N Freeman,
Geoff Johnson - Planning Officer
3 members of the public present

P 105/04/18 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors D Argent, J Elton, R Honeyman, A.Latham, J Lord and P Lower

P 106/04/18 Disclosure of Interests

None

P 107/04/18 Public Participation

None

P 108/04/18 Planning Applications

Planning Application week commencing 24th March 2019

Seaford
LW/19/0192

3 Firle Drive

Planning Application – Proposed hip and gable end conversion, new rear dormer, slightly altered existing dormers together with alterations to front projecting roof

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford
LW/19/0138

59 Chyngton Way

Planning Application – Repositioned garden/boundary walls and partial Garage conversion with roof lantern and part-rendered elevations

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford
LW/19/0139

20 The Holt

Planning Application – Erection of a three-bedroom detached dwelling and associated facilities

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to the application. The Committee was aware of the fact that there had recently been a similar sub division of the neighbouring property at no 18 allowed on appeal. It was considered however that the sub division proposed in this application would create an unacceptably cramped form of development in this corner of the Close

which would be detrimental to the street scene and totally out of character with the rest of the area. The narrow access to the proposed property would also be a problem. Overall it was considered that the proposal would be detrimental to the residential amenity of the area and therefore contrary to policy ST3 of the Local Plan

Seaford
LW/19/0207

19 Carlton Road
Planning Application – Single storey extension at rear

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford
LW/19/0233

5 Battle Close
Planning Application – Proposed single storey rear extension with garage conversion

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Planning Applications Week commencing 10th March 2019

Seaford
LW/19/0156

24 Hillside Avenue
Planning Application – Single storey rear extension and raised decking area

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford
LW/19/0158

27 Blue Haze Avenue
Planning Application – Single storey rear extension

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford
LW/19/0200

Sutton Fields Stirling Avenue
Planning Application – Demolition of existing dwelling and Garage and replace with 3 x two-bedroom detached bungalows

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application. There was some concern regarding parking problems but these should be resolved by the provision of two spaces on each of the three proposed properties. The provision of bungalows was welcomed and would be in character with the area

Seaford
LW/19/0210

10 Chyngton Avenue
Planning Application – Proposed side conservatory with step-free access

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Planning Applications received in week commencing 3rd March 2019

Seaford
LW/19/0166

Glebe End 8 Glebe Drive
Planning Application – Single storey rear extension

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

Seaford
LW/19/0190

39 Cliff Close
Planning Application – Reduce existing deck and build orangery to rear elevation

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application

South Down National Park Application

Seaford
SDNP/19/00921/FUL

Tide Mills Level Crossing Mill Drove Planning Application – Closure of pedestrian level crossing and erection of a pedestrian overbridge with elevated approach walkways and walkways on approach earth embankments

A local resident commented about the adequacy of access for the disabled and that the French approach of building a tunnel would be the better option. A second resident commented that disabled people would be inconvenienced by the fact that there was no path on the seaward side of the crossing

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to the application. It was appreciated that there were safety concerns but all trains now gave warning signals when approaching the crossing. The bridge would however have a seriously adverse impact on the archaeological heritage of the Tide Mills site and the views across the site from Rookery Hill. There were also concerns that the design would lead to access problems for the disabled

Additional Item

Seaford
LW/19/0117

29B Sutton Park Road
Planning Application – Change of Use from C3 (residential) to B1 (office)

The Planning Officer explained that the Committee had objected to this application at the last meeting on 14th March but since that meeting applicant's agent had supplied further information on the issues raised by the Committee which warranted further consideration.

The applicant addressed the Committee. She explained that her firm had operated in Seaford since 2012 as an HR Consultancy. Their current accommodation was being converted to flats. They wanted to remain in Seaford Town Centre but could find no suitable accommodation other than the application property. The residential character of the property would

*remain unchanged. There would be no or very little public 'footfall'.
The business was low-key and there was no need for signage.*

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application and to **WITHDRAW** the previous objection. The Committee was satisfied that the proposed use would not have any adverse impact on the area but, as a safeguard, a condition should be imposed restricting any proposed signage on the property.

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Talland Parade

The Planning Officer reported that representations had been made to Lewes D.C following the last meeting for some positive action to be taken with regard to the stalled building works at Talland Parade. The response had been that there was currently no justification for the District Council to take any formal action against the developers.

It was **RESOLVED** that **FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS** be made to the Chief Executive and Chief Officer to adopt a proactive approach to this major problem. The longstanding eyesore and highway obstruction was making it extremely difficult for neighbouring businesses to survive and was blighting this area of the Town Centre.

P/110/04/18

Annual Parking Review 2019

Members considered report 194/18 on informal proposals by East Sussex County Council for additional restrictions at five locations in Seaford namely:-

Place Lane
Claremont Road/Blatchington Road
Sutton Park Road
Hillside Avenue and
Blatchington Road

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** all five sets of proposals

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Update Report

Members considered report 195/18 updating the Committee on decisions taken by Lewes D.C since the last meeting

The Planning Officer also reported the submission of the Reserved Matters application for the residential development at the Newland School site, (Ref LW/19/0258). Further information on the application would be circulated in due course.

The meeting closed at 7.58 p.m

Councillor L Wallraven
Chairman