



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 30th August 2018** commencing at **7.00 p.m.**

Present:

Councillors, L Wallraven (Chairman), D Argent, J Elton, L Freeman, N Freeman,
R Honeyman, J Lord and P Lower
Geoff Johnson - Planning Officer
6 members of the public present

P 37/08/18 Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Substitute Members

Apologies were received from the Councillor A Latham.

P 38/08/18 Disclosure of Interests

Councillor P Lower declared a non-pecuniary interest in application LW/18/0616 and did not speak or vote on this item

Councillor L Wallraven declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of the Lewes District Council's Planning Applications Committee and did not speak or vote on any item.

P 39/08/18 Public Participation

None

P 40/08/18 Planning Applications

Planning Applications week ending 3rd August 2018

Seaford LW/18/0512	63 Hurdis Road Bishopstone Planning Application – Erection of brick retaining front wall It was RESOLVED to SUPPORT the application
Seaford LW/18/0556	5 Sutton Avenue Planning Application – Single storey rear extension It was RESOLVED to SUPPORT the application
Seaford LW/18/0579	20 Hamsey Lane Listed Building Consent Application – Internal alterations to remove existing partitions It was RESOLVED to SUPPORT the application

Seaford
LW/18/0603

5 Troon Close
Planning Application – Single storey side extension

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application. Although the loss of the boundary hedge was regretted it was considered this did not justify a formal objection to the application

Seaford
LW/18/0612

2 Brooklyn Road
Planning Application – Change of Use from educational workshop Facility/offices (sui generis) to workshop/offices (B1)

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

Planning Applications for week ending 10th August 2018

Seaford
LW/18/0616

5 South Street
Planning Application – Variation of Condition 1 of approval LW/18/0217

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application. It was considered the revised plan was an improvement on the previously approved scheme

Seaford
LW/18/0614

Avondale Hotel Avondale Road
Planning Application – Change of Use of hotel (C1) to 6 x Self-contained flats (C3)

The applicant's agent reminded the Committee that the principle of the change of use from a hotel to residential had been established by the previous approval to a use as a House in Multiple Occupation. The proposed flats would comply with all the approved standards

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application. The loss of the Hotel was regrettable but it was acknowledged that the previous approval of the change of use by the District Council had made it impossible for the Committee to oppose this application

Seaford
LW/18/0629

1 Wellington Park
Planning Application – Proposed single storey rear extension, Roof light, new rear window and porch alterations.

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

Seaford
LW/18/0574

Seaford Railway Station, Station Approach
Listed Building Consent Application – Alterations and Refurbishments to the ticket office and booking hall

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application. The Committee welcomed the improvements and were satisfied that

they would have no adverse effect on the character of the listed building

Seaford
LW/18/0499

30 Dukes Close
Planning Application – Single storey side extension (resubmitted application -amended plans)

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the previous decision to **SUPPORT** the application subject to a requirement that the original dwelling and the proposed ‘annexe’ be retained as a single private dwelling

It was also **NOTED** that there was very little (if any) significant difference between the original and resubmitted plans. It would have been helpful if the Agent had submitted a short statement or letter confirming the reasons for the resubmission.

Planning Applications week ending 17th August 2018

Seaford
LW/18/0669

1 Blatchington Close
Planning Application – Two storey rear extension

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

Seaford
LW/18/0653

Fieldings 18 Firle Road
Planning Application – Construction of new bungalow to rear of existing property and widening of existing pedestrian gate to provide vehicular access (resubmission of LW/18/0146)

The owner addressed the Committee in support of the application. They had given careful consideration to the previous grounds of refusal and had amended the plans accordingly. The driveway had been moved away from the boundary trees, the footprint of the proposed bungalow had been reduced in order to retain a larger garden for the existing dwelling and had also been moved further away from the boundaries with the dwellings at Barn Close.

There were many examples of ‘backland development’ having approved in the town; they had produced a map of these sites. The length of the flint front wall which would be removed to form the access was in a poor condition and the additional side walls which would be constructed partly in flint would balance out the loss of the front wall

It was **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** the application. The Committee considered that the amendments to the plans had dealt with the previous grounds of refusal and tipped the balance in favour of approval

South Downs National Park Application

Seaford
SDNP/18/02960

Land at Cradle Hill Alfriston Road

Prior Notification Application – Proposed works to fill pockets of land with imported soil to match contours of surrounding land

It was reported that this application for prior notification had been refused by the SDNPA on 30th August and that a fully detailed application would now have to be submitted on which the Town Council would be consulted

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the SDNPA's decision

Tree Works Application

Seaford
TW/18/0056

Hamilton House Belgrave Road

TPO Works – Reduce 4 x Sycamore (T1 and G1) by one Metre to increase light to dwellings. Remove 2 x Sycamore (G1 and T8) due to dead cavities in main trunk. Reduce Holm Oak (T5) to previous points to increase light to dwellings

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

P 41/08/18 Road Closures

Members considered report 95/18 informing the Committee of proposed road closures on Saturday 20th October 2018 for the Seaford Bonfire and on Saturday 1st December for Seaford Christmas Magic

It was **RESOLVED** that no objections be raised but that queries be raised regarding the provision of disabled parking spaces for the events

P/42/08/18 Update Report

Members considered report 96/18 updating the Committee on decisions taken by Lewes D.C since the last meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED**

The meeting closed at 8.04 pm.

Councillor L Wallraven
Chairman