



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 21st December 2017**.

Present:

Councillor L Wallraven (Chair) Councillors J Elton, L Freeman R Honeyman, A Latham and M Wearmouth

Geoff Johnson- Planning Officer

11 members of the public present

P 65/12/17 Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Substitute Members

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D Argent, P Boorman, N Freeman T Goodman and P Lower

Councillor M Wearmouth was substituting for Councillor T Goodman

P 66/12/17 Disclosure of Interests

Councillor L Freeman declared a non-pecuniary interest in LW/17/0961 as A friend of the applicant and did not speak or vote on the application

Councillor L Wallraven declared a general 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/67/12/17 Public Participation

Jill Wilson of Dorcas Cottage Saxon Lane spoke on the continuing problems with the scaffolding at the abandoned development site at Talland Parade. She had contacted Lewes District Council and some of the fly tipping at the site had been dealt with but she was keen to know whether any progress had been made regarding the scaffolding and the site in general

Councillor Latham confirmed in response that the Town Council had been in regular contact with the District Council regarding the problem but had been unable to persuade the officers to take any action. The Town Council members were extremely concerned at the lack of any progress and would be having further discussions following the end of this meeting as to what further action could be taken

P 68/12/17 Planning Applications

Planning Applications for week ending 1st December 2017

Seaford

LW/17/0961

34 Kingston Way

Planning Application- Remove two existing windows in dormer and replace with French doors. Erection of small balcony

Susan Skelton- Applicant-The purpose of the application is to replace the defective dormer window which was in place when they moved into the property. The District Council is happy with the work on the dormer itself but the balcony requires planning consent. The balcony is there simply to assist in getting the buildings materials in. The main reasons behind the French doors are to allow more light into the property and to give views over the public open space adjoining the property .In response to the objections she confirmed that there was no intention to by-pass the planning regulations. It was a minor development and it was only the small two foot balcony which gave rise to the need for formal consent. There would be no intrusion on privacy. The scaffolding was required to deal with other defects at the property.

Mary Judge of 'The Chippings' Cuckmere Road- Objector- She was concerned that the enlargement of the windows would lead to the overlooking of her garden. The scaffolding had initially appeared to deal with a leaking roof but had not been removed. It was surprising to her that the balcony had been installed simply to hold a few plant pots. She was concerned that the fact that the works had been carried out without prior consent meant that it was a 'fait accompli'.

Mr Moore- Planning Consultant on behalf of Mrs Judge- Displayed an aerial shot/ Plan showing the relationship of the application site to the houses in Cuckmere Road and the respective boundaries. He was concerned at the proximity of the site to the house and garden at 'The Chippings'. The extent of the new glazing and the size of the dormer were completely out of keeping with the character of the area. There would be unacceptable loss of privacy through overlooking. He was confident that the District Council would refuse the application and urged the members to object

Mr D Skelton-Applicant- Responded to objections. He emphasised that although the extent of the glazing had been increased the dormer itself had not been enlarged.

It was **RESOLVED** that although the glazing works to the dormer were acceptable a 'Juliet' balcony would be more appropriate than the small balcony proposed as this would minimise the possibility of overlooking and loss of privacy to nearby properties. It was acknowledged that the poor condition of the property had necessitated the carrying out of the works

Seaford 8-10 Sutton Park Road
LW/17/0987 Advertisement Consent Application- Replacement fascia signs

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

Seaford 16 Seagrove Way
LW/17/0992 Planning Application- Single storey rear extension, part garage conversion
And relocation of garage door

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



Seaford **4 Newick Close**
LW/17/0997 Planning Application- Variation to the parking and garden areas approved under LW/15/0931.(Re-submission of refusal LW/17/0683)

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to the application. The Committee fully Supported the grounds of refusal on application LW/17/0683 and the objections from residents of Fairways Road based on the inadequacy of the parking space allocated to the proposed dwellings and the inaccuracy of the submitted plans

Planning Applications for week ending 8th December 2017

Seaford **Wychwood St Peter's Road**
LW/17/0971 Planning Application- Extension to garage on front elevation

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

Planning Applications for week ending 15th December 2017

Seaford **6 Buckle Rise**
LW/17/0936 Planning Application- Demolition of existing chalet bungalow and Garage. Erection of replacement dwelling and detached garage

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

P 69/12/17 Lewes District Parking Review – Informal Consultation

Members considered report 102/17 on proposals from East Sussex County Council for New parking restrictions in various locations in Seaford

It was **RESOLVED** that the following comments be forwarded to the County Council

MANOR ROAD/MICKLEFIELD WAY/SUTTON AVENUE-LW17 005

Supported

SHERWOOD ROAD-LW17 008


Supported

BLATCHINGTON ROAD-LW17 009

Supported

ESPLANADE/MARINE DRIVE-LW17 011

The Committee would like to have seen the reasoning behind these proposals and how they would tie in with the Council's Seafront Improvement Plan.

It could not support the siting of the coach parking area and considered this should be moved to the area fronting the Environment Agency's depot near the Buckle Car Park. This area could also be used for the parking of motor caravans. The general 12-hour restriction should be retained. 

VICARAGE CLOSE-LW17 013

Supported

GILDREDGE ROAD/GROVE ROAD-LW17 014

Supported

CLAREMONT ROAD-LW17 017

Supported and welcomed. Consideration should also be given to making the area one-way westwards from the A259 and to applying the waiting restrictions to both sides of the road

LEXDEN ROAD-LW17 022

Supported

P/70/12/17 Update Report

Members considered report 103/17 informing the Committee of Lewes District Council decisions on previous planning applications.

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

P/71/12/17 Application by Medipower Ltd- Newhaven Harbour

Members considered a report (supplementary Item 7 on the Agenda) on an application for a small waste incinerator to be sited on the East Quay of Newhaven Harbour. Geoff King, the organiser of the petition of objection to the Bretts Aggregates application, had expressed his concerns about the application at the previous meeting on 7th December

It was **RESOLVED** to take **NO FURTHER ACTION** on this application

The meeting closed at 8.04 pm.

L Wallraven 25/1/2018

Councillor L Wallraven
Chairman