



Local Government for Langton Green, Speldhurst, Ashurst and Old Groombridge

**Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023 in the Parish Council Office, Langton Green Recreation Ground**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cllrs Rowe (Chair), Cleaver, Dooley, and Muress.

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Mrs K Harman – Assistant Clerk.

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT:** There were no members of the public present.

1. **To enquire if anyone intends to record the meeting**  
The Assistant Clerk was recording the meeting for the purpose of accuracy of the minutes and would delete the recording once the minutes had been signed at the next Planning Committee meeting.
2. **To receive and approve apologies and reasons for absence**  
Apologies were received from Cllrs Curry, Leach and Norton who had prior engagements and Tarricone who was unwell.
3. **Disclosures of Interests**  
There were none.
4. **Declarations of Lobbying**  
There were none.
5. **Minutes: RESOLVED** That the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 be approved as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.
6. **Public Open Session:**  
There were no members of the public present.
7. **Planning Appeals**
  - **21/04144/FULL – Land Adj Pax Cottage, Stockland Green Road, Speldhurst:** There was nothing to report.

8. **Planning applications for discussion and decision:**

The Chair provided an explanation to Cllrs Cleaver and Muress on the procedure when considering and commenting on planning applications.

**23/02080/FULL – 11 Great Courtlands, Langton Green**

**Proposal:** Erection of first floor rear extension to existing dwelling, addition of new doors to flank elevations.

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Planning Officer

**23/01083/FULL – 4 Mill Stream Close, Ashurst**

**Proposal:** Retention of converted garage/storage area as utility and shower area (Retrospective).

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Planning Officer

**23/01294/TCA – Stable Cottage, Speldhurst Road, Langton Green**

**Proposal:** Tree in a Conservation Area Notification – Yew – Laterally reduce face by 1m overhanging Stable Cottage.

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Tree/Conservation Officer.

**23/01253/FULL – 2 Dornden Drive, Langton Green**

**Proposal:** Garage conversion, single storey rear/side extension, changes to fenestration.

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Planning Officer

**23/01233/FULL – 30 Dornden Drive, Langton Green**

**Proposal:** Replacement of existing chalet bungalow with 1 no. dwelling.

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Planning Officer

**23/01231/TCA – Hollonds Gardens, Broom Lane, Langton Green**

**Proposal:** Tree in Conservation Area Notification – Norway Spruce (NS1) – Removal

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Tree Officer, subject to a replacement tree being planted.

**23/01237/FULL – 24 Dornden Drive, Langton Green**

**Proposal:** Demolition of conservatory, single storey rear extension, new gate entrance.

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Planning Officer

**23/01214/FULL – Garth House, Stonewall Park Road, Langton Green**

**Proposal:** Replacement of conservatory with single-storey flat roof extension with 2 no. roof lantern lights, new front porch and fenestration.

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Planning Officer

**23/01166/LBC – Crown Cottage, Groombridge Hill, Groombridge**

**Proposal:** Listed Building Consent – Erection of rear facing hipped former and rooflight.

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Conservation Officer

**23/01165/FULL – Crown Cottage, Groombridge Hill, Groombridge**

**Proposal:** Erection of rear facing hipped dormer and rooflight.

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Planning Officer

**23/01097/FULL – Speldhurst Bank, Barden Road, Speldhurst**

**Proposal:** Proposed loft conversion with dormer and rooflight window to North elevation, 3 no. rooflight windows to South and West elevations.

**Decision:** Remain neutral, leave to Planning Officer

**23/01016/FULL – 17A Holmewood Ridge, Langton Green**

**Proposal:** Erection of new single storey garage with gym facilities.

**Decision:** We still object to this application. Whilst we acknowledge that the scale has been reduced, we still feel it is over-development of the site. Furthermore, we object to the applicant's request to make the landscaping plan conditional on first occupation rather than before any building work commences. Once landscaping has been completed, then the applicant should resubmit the application.

9. **TW Local Plan**

There was nothing to report.

10. **Compliance Issues**

**Burrswood Estate, Groombridge.**

A meeting had been held between Martin Homes and Groombridge residents and an update on the meeting had been provided to Full Council. An email had been received by the Assistant Clerk from Martin Homes to be forwarded to residents of Groombridge to encourage them to sign up to updates.

11. **Items for information**

Date of next meeting Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The Assistant Clerk would send appointments for the remaining planning meetings for the year.

The Assistant Clerk asked members to let her know if they wished to attend the KALC training for new councillors.

**There being nothing further to discuss, the meeting finished at 8.20pm.**

Chair