



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

Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 16th January 2017 at 7.30pm in the Council Office, Langton Green Village Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs Horne (Chairman), Mrs Price, Allen, Turner and Mercieca.

OFFICER PRESENT: Mrs K Plunkett – Assistant Clerk, Mrs K Harman – Assistant Clerk

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT: There was one member of the public present.

1. **To enquire if anyone present intends to film, photograph and/or record the meeting:** No- one present intended to film, photograph and/or record the meeting.
2. **To receive and approve apologies and reason for absence:** Apologies received from Cllr Mrs Jeffrey (prior engagement)
3. **Disclosure of Interests:** Cllr Mercieca advised that Planning application 16/07791/FULL, Land rear of Oakhurst, Monteith Close, Langton Green is a neighbouring plot to his home address.
4. **Declarations of Lobbying:** There were none.
5. **Minutes: RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on **14th December 2016** be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
6. **Matters Arising:**
 - a. **TWBC Planning, Listed Building and other Applications document** – This document had recently been received from TWBC and copies were circulated. It was agreed that it needed to be circulated widely including being put in the village magazines with a link to the website.
 - b. **Manor Cottage, Speldhurst Road** – A copy of an email from Stephen Baughen from TWBC was circulated for information. Cllr Mrs Horne advised that SPC is unable to get involved in boundary issues and that this application had been referred back to the Case Officer at TWBC.
7. **Public Open Session** –There were no members of the public present.

8. Planning appeals

16/00124/REF Victoria Cottage, Penshurst Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells, TN3 0PQ – this appeal had been dismissed.

16/00114/REF Land Sound of The Stables, Broomhill Road, Royal Tunbridge Wells

16/00120/REF Mill Farm, Broomhill Road, Tunbridge Wells

- 9. Parish Plan Implementation** – Cllr Mrs Horne said that the comments from Cllr Barrington-Johnson and Cllr Mrs Jeffrey had been noted. It was **RESOLVED** that the document ‘Action Plan for Planning Committee in response to concerns raised in Parish Plan published December 2016’ including Cllr Mrs Jeffrey’s analysis from the 2009 Rural Exception Sites would be tabled at the next Full Council meeting.

- 10. Call For Sites** – There were no comments made. This item is to be included on February’s agenda.

11. Planning applications for discussion and decision:

16/06956/FULL

Location: Land and Buildings, Barden Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Proposal: Part demolition of existing buildings and conversion to provide 3 dwellings with detached car barn and associated landscaping.

The Committee discussed the application in the meeting on 16th November and had voted as detailed below. They agreed not to revisit the discussion and to retain their original decision.

Cllr Mrs Horne - recommend approval

Cllr Mrs Jeffreys, Cllr Allen, Cllr Mercieca - remain neutral

Cllr Mrs Price - recommend refusal

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer.

16/07734/FULL

Location: High Rocks Farm, Tea Garden Lane, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN3 9JH

Proposal: Demolition of existing entrance and lightweight garage infill extension: Construction of new entrance infill extension.

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Planning Officer.

16/07704/FULL

Location: 6 Great Courtlands, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN3 0AH

Proposal: Proposed rear extension.

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Planning Officer.

16/07633/FULL

Location: White House, Stockland Green Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN3 0TY

Proposal: Proposed two-storey rear extension

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Planning Officer.

16/07751/TPO

Location: 19 Ryders, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN3 0DX

Proposal: Trees: Norway Maple (G1) – Fell; Norway Maples (G1-2) – Crown reduce by approx. 1.5m; Large Sycamore (T1) – Fell and replace by a Silver Birch

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Tree Officer.

16/07596/FULL

Location: Lampington Cottage, The Green, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN3 0JB

Proposal: Internal alterations and orangery.

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Planning Officer.

16/07597/LBC

Location: Lampington Cottage, The Green, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN3 0JB

Proposal: Listed Building Consent – Internal alterations and orangery.

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Conservation Officer.

16/07872/FULL

Location: 23 Cobhams, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells, TN3 0QA

Proposal: Addition of front porch, replacement of garage door for window, new pitched roof to front canopy and garage and new doors to rear elevation.

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Planning Officer.

16/07791/FULL

Location: Land Rear of Oakhurst, Monteith Close, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent

Proposal: Erection of detached dwelling and garage. Cllr Mercieca left the room whilst this application was discussed.

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Planning Officer.

16/07885/TPO

Location: 15 Upper Profit, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN3 0BZ

Proposal: T4 (Sycamore) – Prune back to previous pruning points to re-balance and reshape and control size of tree.

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Tree Officer.

16/07800/TWORK

Location: South East Water Tower, Langton Road, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN3 0ET

Proposal: Telecommunications Notification – Installation of 1 No. 0.3m dish

Decision: Permission granted prior to the meeting.

16/07293/FULL

Location: Ingleside Ferbies, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN3 0NS

Proposal: Refurbish linked garage and conversion to lounge and construct a single storey rear conservatory.

Decision: Application disposed of due to insufficient information provided by applicant.

16/07583/FULL

Location: Oakwell House, The Green, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent

Proposal: Retrospective – Construction of gates.

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Planning Officer.

16/07499/TPO

Location: 32 Newlands, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN3 0DB

Proposal: Trees: Oak (T1) – Fell

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Tree Officer.

16/07809/TPO

Location: 1 Long Slip, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN3 0BT

Proposal: Trees: Beech (T1) – Reduce crown height by approximately 2 – 3 metres to reduce risk of branch, stem or root failure. Reduce crown spread by approximately 1-2 metres to reduce risk of branch, stem or root failure.

Decision: Remain neutral- leave to Tree Officer.

12. Items for information:

CLlr Mrs Horne noted that 1 Bullingstone Cottage, Bullingstone Lane, Speldhurst had received a further rejection.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.02pm.

Chairman