

Battle Town Council



MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday, 5 December 2012 at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 7.30pm

Present: CIIr R Jessop - Chairman

Cllrs: R Bye, Mrs T Farr, Mrs M Kiloh and Mrs S Pry.

1. Apologies for Absence – Cllrs Mrs P Fisher, Mrs M Howell and M Palmer.

2. Disclosure of Interest – None.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 21 November 2012. Cllr Mrs Kiloh proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr Mrs Pry. This was agreed and they were duly signed.

4. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings

Regarding the **solar panels and planning permission** the Clerk said that the latest enforcement list appeared to indicate that the case in Mount Street had been drawn to the attention of the Planning Authority and that no further action is being taken. The reason for this is stated as being that planning permission has been granted. In the absence of any formal application it is assumed that this refers to the fact that, in normal circumstances, solar panels have the benefit of permitted development.

5. Correspondence & Communications

The **enforcement cases** list was noted. The Clerk was asked to establish the present position regarding cases where they have been under consideration for more than 6 months old.

The **latest list of decisions** was noted as attached.

Regarding the enquiry referred to at the previous meeting relating to land west of **Kane Hythe Road (RR/2012/2206/FN)** the District Council had confirmed that formal planning approval is not required.

In conjunction with **Surrey County Council**, **the Highway Authority** has prepared what is being termed as a **Common Permit Scheme**, the purpose of which is to improve the management of works undertaken both by the highway authorities themselves and statutory undertakers. The Scheme sets out a series of procedures which were noted by the Committee. A copy of the draft Scheme was given to Cllr Jessop.

6. To Consider Planning Applications Received to Date

RR/2012/2230/P Netherhay, Whatlington Road

Erection of stable block and creation of sand school/ménage for private use.

Comments: Cllr Jessop drew attention to the large number of trees to the north west and south west which could potentially be damaged by the construction of the ménage and also the lack of detail regarding foul waste disposal. The Committee shared these concerns and would wish to object to the proposal if they are not satisfactorily resolved. In the event that planning permission is granted it should be made clear that the ménage is restricted to private use only.

RR/2012/2253/P Adanac, Whatlington Road

Removal of existing car port structure. Erection of two storey rear extension and rebuilding of

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side entrance porch.

Comments: No objection to this.

RR/2012/2295/L Doctors Cottage, Darwell Hill, Netherfield

Extension to existing garage and conversion of garage roofspace to form ancillary accommodation.

Comments: It was noted that the proposal seeks to provide accommodation for an intermittent carer. It will effectively create a new dwelling in the countryside contrary to Local Plan policies and since it was not clear whether other options had been considered in order to achieve the objective behind the proposal the Committee opposed it. If it were to be approved the Committee would wish that any consent ties the building to the main house as a single occupancy.

- 7. Matters for Information/Future Agenda Items None.
- 8. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 19 December 2012

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Cllr Jessop Chairman

