



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

Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held in the Parish Council Office, Langton Green Recreation Ground on Tuesday 19th February 2013 at 7.30pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllr Langridge (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs Horne, Mrs Hull, Mrs Podbury, Mrs Soyke, Hemming and Turner

OFFICER PRESENT: Mrs Meirion Flemington – Assistant Clerk

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

1. **Apologies and Reasons for Absence:** There were no apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** All Cllrs declared a significant interest in respect of TW/13/00195 – Langton Green Recreation Ground is owned by Speldhurst Parish Council.
3. **Declarations of Lobbying:** Cllr Langridge has been spoken to by a number of residents about TW/13/00195
4. **The Minutes of 4th February 2013** were signed as a correct record.
5. **Matters Arising:**
 - Neighbourhood Planning:** The next Working Group meeting is on 25th February.
 - Tunbridge Wells South Wastewater Treatment Works:** There was nothing to report and it was **AGREED** remove this item from future agendas.
 - Planning Appeals:** Both Planning Appeals in respect of Burrswood, Groombridge have been allowed. Planning Appeals are on-going in respect of The Old Saw Mill, Langton Road, Speldhurst and Hollonds Farm, Langton Green.
6. **Planning applications for discussion and decision – unless otherwise stated all decisions are unanimously agreed:**

Members of the public are invited to make representations to the Committee on any application on the Agenda.

There were no members of the public present.

TW/13/00159/HOUSE/KLM

Location: 22 Hither Chantlers, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Part two-storey, part first-floor side extension; Single-storey front and side extension to existing garage; New pitched roof over existing entrance

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

Comments: Concern expressed about the proximity of the proposed extension to the boundary

TW/13/00168/HOUSE/SF1

Location: Shaw House, Barden Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Two storey side, and single storey rear flat roofed extension to include roof terrace above

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/00193/TPO/DMD

Location: Verge & Bank, Farnham Lane, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: TREES: MIXED TREES TO REAR OF 1 GREAT FOOTWAY & 1-11 GIBBETTS – Crown lift to 5m over road, 4m over sheds and gardens

Decision: Remain neutral - leave to Tree Officer

TW/13/00195/FUL/EG1

Location: Langton Green Recreation Ground, Speldhurst Road, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Remodelling and extension of sports pavilion with associated tree removals, improved storage, changing and toilet facilities and multi-use room; first floor office and storage space

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

Comments: We fully support this proposal which will have considerable benefit to the community and future generations. However we would just like to raise the following comments of a small number of residents:

- Increased mass of the building
- Possible noise issues during evening hours
- Replacement trees and tree screening to include evergreens, appropriate for the increased size of the proposed building
- Parking

TW/13/00266/HOUSE/SF1

Location: Speldhurst Bank, Barden Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Extension to existing dwelling; Window alterations and two new dormer windows

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/00296/FUL/EA1

Location: Birchwood House, Stockland Green Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Single storey rear extension

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

7. Items for Information:

The date of the next meeting is to be arranged.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Chairman