



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

**Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held in the Ellis Room, Langton Green Village Hall, on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cllr Mrs Hull (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs Jeffrey (ex-officio), Mrs Podbury, Mrs Soyke, Craine and Milner (ex-officio)

**OFFICER PRESENT:** Mrs M Flemington – Assistant Clerk

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT:** There were five members of the public present

1. **Apologies and Reasons for Absence:** Cllr Langridge, Cllr Turner and Cllr Mrs Horne (all prior engagement)
2. **Declarations of Interest:** There were none
3. **Declarations of Lobbying:** There were none
4. **Minutes:** It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2014 were approved and signed as a true record.
5. **Matters Arising:**  
**Update on 13/03034 Treetops (land adjacent to) Stonewall Park Road:** The Assistant Clerk reported that the Tunbridge Wells Borough Council planning decision notice has not been received yet.
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

**TW/13/03789/LBC**

Location: Shirley Hall, Leggs Lane, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Listed Building Consent – Minor alterations to include division of first floor room to provide two en-suite bathrooms, reconfigure ground floor loo area and install set of french windows to kitchen

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Conservation Officer

**PAG/KCC/TW/0018/2014**

Location: Langton Green Primary School, Lampington Row, Langton Green, Tunbridge Wells,, Kent, TN3 0JG

Proposal: The extension and internal reconfiguration of existing school buildings providing two classrooms, provision of a stand-alone teaching accommodation block providing four classrooms and associated toilets, removal of existing modular classroom, and car park and access improvements including car parking provision within the village hall car park

Two of the members of the public present spoke and made the following comments:

- Concern whether there will be adequate parking even with the car park improvements
- Concern that the trees/shrubs between LGRG and Winstone Scott Avenue will be protected
- There should be provision for staff car parking
- The entrance into Lampington Row and the verges of Lampington Row should be protected from inappropriate parking

Following discussion the planning committee agreed unanimously on the following recommendation to Full Council

Recommendation to Full Council: Recommend approval

Comments: Speldhurst Parish Council support this proposal in principle, provided planning consent is granted to tarmac the additional car parking areas, and subject to the following concerns:

- The proposed pedestrian access within the car parks is not specified therefore we are concerned about the safety of pedestrians and particularly children in and around the car park
- Queuing in Speldhurst Road at busy times when the car park entrance is congested may be an issue

**7. Items for Information:**

The next planning committee meeting will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.25pm

Chairman