



Battle Town Council



DRAFT MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday, 8 October 2014 at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr R Jessop - Chairman
Cllrs D Furness and S Pry.

1. **Apologies for Absence** – Cllrs J Gyngell, M Kiloh, M Howell, M Palmer and A Ratcliffe.
2. **Disclosure of Interest** – None.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on 24 September 2014. Resolved: approval of the minutes was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Cllr Pry.
4. **Matters Arising from Previous Meetings** – None.

5. Correspondence & Communications

The Committee noted:

- communications from **Southeastern**: Stakeholder Forum on 28 October; information on Thameslink Programme for a new station at London Bridge; and 'Leaf Fall' timetable changes;
- copy of comments from Campaign for Better Transport to the ESCC **Bus Strategy Consultation**;
- notification of Appeal decision: **Cedarwood House, Hastings Road (RR/2013/2024/P & 2025/L)** for two storey, 11 bedroom extension to the rear of Cedarwood House with glazed links, associated landscaping works to both front and rear of the existing building, to include parking, ambulance bay and bin stores. The Planning Inspectorate had dismissed both appeals;
- Decisions received:
 - **RR/2014/1872/P Reeves Cottage, Kane Hythe Road.** Proposed Manège (retrospective). Granted (less floodlights);
 - **RR/2014/1937/P The Hollows, Oakhurst Road.** New porch. Granted;
 - **RR/2014/1964/L Beech Farmhouse, Netherfield Hill.** Replace approved external double doors to kitchen with a single half glazed door with canopy and internal alterations. Granted.
 - **RR/2014/2020/P Old Barrack Inn, Whatlington Road.** Revision of application RR/2014/1257/P to slightly relocate garage location away from existing sewer. Granted;
 - **RR/2014/2051/O North Point, Netherfield Hill.** Lawful development certificate for proposed front porch and side extension. Refused;
 - **RR/2014/2122/T Coppshall Cottage, Lower Lake.** Remove Chilean Pine from front of house. Refused;
 - **RR/2014/2211/TN & 2212/TN Telephone Exchange, North Trade Road.** Installation of Openreach street cabinet. Approval not required.
- a request from RDC to help compile a record of **people rough sleeping on 15 October** 2014. It was agreed that this request should be circulated to all Councillors.

6. Notes from Strengthening Local Relationships Meeting 24 September 2014

These had been circulated and there were no questions arising.

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7. To Consider Planning Applications Received to Date

RR/2014/2076/P **43 Lower Lake – land rear of,**
Erection of single dwelling and detached garage.

Comment: No objection to this.

RR/2014/2222/A **55 High Street, William Hill Bookmakers**

1 x Double sided projecting sign and 2x Fascia sign.

Comment: Members noted that para 9.39 of the RDC Local Plan had been used to qualify this application but felt that this should not include illuminated signage within the conservation area. The Town Council has a consistent policy of non illumination throughout the High Street area. The Committee did not feel that the proposal could be justified on the basis of trade being below budget. If RDC are minded to approve this application it was hoped that conditions 7 and 8 on the previously granted application, relating to a timer, are retained.

RR/2014/2244/P **1 Clive Villas, Battle Hill**

Erection of garage and store to replace existing store.

Comment: The Committee had no objection in principle to this subject to the fencing being moved back to the sight line on the southern side.

8. Proposed budget for the year 2015 – 2016.

Cllr Jessop noted that there had been a suggestion that the devolvement of footpaths should not be incorporated into this Committee but requested that the budget heading with a figure of £1200 be retained for the time being.

9. Matters for information/Future Agenda Items - None

10. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 22 October 2014

Meeting closed at 7.55pm

Cllr Richard Jessop
Chairman

