

Battle Town Council



MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday, 17 December 2014 at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 7.30pm

Present: CIIr R Jessop - Chairman

Cllrs D Furness, J Gyngell, M Kiloh, S Pry and A Ratcliffe.

- 1. Apologies for Absence Cllrs M Howell and M Palmer.
- 2. Disclosure of Interest None.
- **3. Minutes of the previous meeting** held on 03 December 2014. Cllr Jessop proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr Furness and agreed unanimously.
- 4. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings None.
- 5. Correspondence & Communications

Cllr Kiloh reported on the **SLR meeting** held earlier today. The notes will be available at the next Planning meeting.

The updated **Enforcement list** as attached was noted.

The latest **decisions** were noted:

- RR/2014/1086/P The Bungalow, The White Heart, Netherfield Change of use of The Bungalow from holiday let and staff accommodation to C3 residential dwelling.
 Granted
- RR/2014/2090 Claverham Community College Variation to Condition 3 of planning permission RR/25958/CC to increase the permitted hours of use and floodlighting. Application withdrawn
- RR/2014/2428/P Foxhole Farm, Kane Hythe Road Enclosed portal framed agricultural building. Refused
- RR/2014/2431/P Arran, Telham Lane Variation of condition 2 of RR/2014/579/P (approved plans) to incorporate changes to create basement & other external alterations. Granted
- RR/2014/2451/P Pipers Meadow, Chain Lane Demolition of existing dwelling and garage. Erection of replacement dwelling with detached garage block. Refused
- RR/2014/2467/P 2 Netherfield Court Road, Netherfield Extension to garage with new roof over. Refused
- RR/2014/2567/P Tollgates House, Flat 4, Tollgates Replacement of existing timber windows with white PVCu replacement windows. Granted
- RR/2014/2651/O 22 Upper Lake, Westnedge Proposed removal of non-loadbearing studwork partitions to first floor bedroom and shower room area. Infilling of two internal doorways. Removal of existing sanitary ware & installation of 3 no. shower pods and 2 no wash hand basins. Certificate of Lawful use or Development
- RR/2014/2777/T 1 George Mews, High Street Fell 1 no Willow (T1). Granted

Cllr Jessop reported on copies of communication that had been received from **Rother Transport and Action Group** regarding the **Bexhill to Hastings Link Road**. One of congratulations on the fast action to the threat of flooding from Powdermill Stream and the other relating to road safety issues following the road closures between Pevensey and Little Common roundabouts.

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Battle & Langton footpath – Mr Harmer has confirmed it is now open and satisfactorily managed by the contractors following earlier concerns on the temporary closure of FP82 which were authorised but not notified to members of the public.

6. To Consider Planning Applications Received to Date

RR/2014/2704/P 2 Coarse Barn Farm Cottages, Uckham Lane

Two storey extension and alterations

Comment: No objection to this.

RR/2014/2579/P Baytree Cottage – Land at, Whatlington Road

Construction of two bedroom detached house

Comment: No objection to this.

RR/2014/2759/P Old Post Office Cottages, Netherfield

Erection of detached garage

Comment: Members object to this proposal on highway safety grounds due to inadequate sight lines caused by the suggested retention of the 3m high boundary hedge to provide shielding of the proposed garage.

RR/2014/2763/P Field House, Battle Fields

Single storey rear extension to kitchen and to extend existing dormer to enlarge bathroom and en-suite

Comment: No objection to this.

RR/2014/2801/P Reeves Cottage, Kane Hythe Road

Proposed manege with retention of lighting (Retrospective)

Comment: The Committee object to this on the grounds of light pollution in a rural area with the addition of highway safety being affected by dazzling lights so close to the road.

RR/2014/2809/P Campfield, Powdermill Lane

Proposed new stable building

Comment: Members felt this proposal should be refused on the grounds of unreasonable intensification without sufficient regards to the amenities of their neighbours. If Rother are mindful to approve this the Committee felt that conditions should be attached stating no music, no lighting of the stables or adjoining pathways, together with a proper scheme for the storage and disposal of foul waste, i.e., horse manure, designed, submitted for approval and implemented prior to the construction of the stables and also that they shall be for private use only.

RR/2014/2832/L Wesleyan Lodge and The Old Wesleyan Chapel, Battle Hill

Variation of condition 8 (approved plans) imposed on RR/2012/1505/L & change relating to approved application RR/2013/1955/L Minor alterations to internal layout

Comment: No objection to this,

RR/2014/2842/P The White Cottage, Caldbec Hill

Two Storey side extension **Comment:** No objection to this.

RR/2014/2870/T 2 Caldbec Lodge, Uckham Lane

Works to two oaks trees

Comment: Objection on the grounds of no justification being provided and no Expert's report.

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RR/2014/2901/PN3 Farthings Farm, Farthings Lane

Livestock covered yard and workshop: Use for Adults with Learning Disabilities and Carers while attending Farm Activity Centre

Comment: No objection to this.

RR/2014/2906/P Kane Hythe Road – Land West of, Netherfield

Permanent consent for a 15 pitch eco-campsite annually between 1st April and 31st October (following a 16 month trial period) together with associated mobile warden accommodation, store, shower and WC facilities and variation of access route and parking location.

Comment: No objection to this.

7. Matters for information/Future Agenda Items

Cllr Furness highlighted water encroaching on the highway from **32-36 Virgins Lane**. The Acting Clerk was asked to write to the property owners advising of the liability in the event of water freezing emanating from their land and causing damage or injury to passers by.

Cllr Ratcliffe reported a resident's concerns about the broken fence at the **bus stop in Marley Gardens** and the **obstruction of cars parking** near the junction making it difficult for buses to exit. The ATC confirmed that Amicus Horizon and ESCC had been spoken to but both had reported no interest in this land. She will ensure that Rother District Council is alerted to these issues.

8. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 7 January 2015

Meeting closed at 7.55pm.

Cllr Richard Jessop Chairman

