



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, Green on 9th September 2013 at 7.30pm

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

OFFICER PRESENT: Mrs M Flemington- Assistant Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: Dan Docker Tunbridge Wells Borough Council Tree Officer and Cllr Milner

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

1. **Apologies and Reasons for Absence:** Cllr Mrs Horne (prior engagement)
2. **Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
3. **Declarations of Lobbying:** There were no declarations of lobbying.
4. **Minutes:** It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 28th August 2013 were approved and signed as a true record.
5. Talk by Dan Docker Tunbridge Wells Borough Council Tree Officer followed by question and answer session – separate notes to follow.
6. **Matters Arising:**
 - Planning Appeals:** The Planning Appeal in respect of an extension at 2 Great Footway, Langton Green – Application reference no. TW/13/01247 – Appeal reference no. APP/M2270/D/13/2202262 – is on-going. The Planning Appeal in respect of condition 9 (scheme for the enhancement of biodiversity) of the outline planning consent for a new detached dwelling at Northfield Lodge, Langton Green – Application reference no. TW/13/01194 is on-going.
 - Pixie Cottage, Homewood Road:** the Assistant Clerk reported that TWBC cannot take any planning action in respect of the gate and that any action would have to be a civil action.
7. **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 in connection with the planning applications on this agenda.

TW/13/02278/HOUSE/CP3

Location: Eastview, Barden Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Single and two storey rear extensions

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/02360/HOUSE/HW1

Location: Toll Wood Cottage, Leggs Lane, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Conservatory to side elevation

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/02387/HOUSE/CP3

Location: 1 Holmewood Ridge, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: First floor side extension, single storey side extension between dwelling and garage and porch to front

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/02427/FUL/EG1

Location: Land & Buildings, Barden Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Demolition of redundant/disused agricultural buildings and construction of dwelling

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer*

Comments: However, the current disused building is a deteriorating eyesore in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and we do not agree that the proposal would be inappropriate development and harmful to the openness and visual amenities of the Metropolitan Green Belt

*Cllr Turner requested that the vote be recorded. The decision was made by 5:1 to remain neutral. Cllr Turner would have voted in favour of approval.

TW/13/02462/HOUSE/SH6

Location: Danemore Park Lodge, Langton Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Alterations to convert conservatory to garden room

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/02465/LBC/SH6

Location: Danemore Park Lodge, Langton Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Listed Building Consent: Alterations to convert conservatory to garden room

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Conservation Officer

8. Items for Information:

Cllr Mrs Hull reported that KALC have advised that Parish Councils need to lodge their intention to prepare a Parish Plan with TWBC.

The date for the next meeting is to be arranged.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10pm

Chairman