



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 16th July 2013 at 7.30pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllr Langridge (Chairman), Cllrs 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:** Cllr Mrs Horne), Cllr Mrs Hull and Cllr Mrs Podbury (all prior engagement)
2. **Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Langridge declared a significant interest in respect of TW/13/01856 – 17 Little Footway and abstained from the discussion and decision.
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 25th June were approved and signed as a true record.
5. **Matters Arising:**
 - Parish Plan Working Group:** The next meeting is scheduled for 31st July
 - Planning Appeals:** The Assistant Clerk circulated the decision notice in respect of the Appeal dismissal for The Old Saw Mill, Langton Road, Speldhurst. Planning Appeals in respect of Hollonds Farm, Langton Green and 32 Upper Profit, Langton Green are on-going.
 - Jessups Farm Ashurst – application for Lawful Development Certificate:** The Assistant Clerk reported that this application has been submitted to TWBC and that SPC is not consulted on it.
 - Trees:** The Assistant Clerk reported that she will ask if TWBC Tree Officer can speak at a Planning Committee meeting in the Autumn.
 - Condition of Broom Lane following Southern Water works:** Cllr Langridge reported that he has inspected Broom Lane and does not consider that there are any further remedial works required by Southern Water.
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/13/01462/HOUSE/EA1

Location: Northfield House, Langton Road, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Refurbishment of existing garage to consist of new painted rendered walls and small slate tiled roof

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/01633/HOUSE/SH5

Location: 5 Newlands, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: First floor extension over existing ground floor rear extension and loft conversion

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/01671/HOUSE/SF1

Location: 28 First Street, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Two storey front extension, internal alterations and alterations to windows, provision of off road parking, landscaping

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

Comments: We feel that the proposed two storey front extension has a detrimental effect on the original design concept of this terrace

TW/13/01681/HOUSE/RE4

Location: Southfields, Penshurst Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Detached garage (works commenced)

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/01732/HOUSE/RE4

Location: Mead House, Langton Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Single storey extension with basement underneath, single storey extensions to both sides of dwelling, replacement dormers to front and rear elevations. Replacement garage with car port incorporating bat loft

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/01738/HOUSE/SH6

Location: Park Farm, Langton Road, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Two storey extension

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

Comments: Concern is expressed that this property has almost doubled in size since it was originally built and it is within the Metropolitan Green Belt, Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and Kent Special Landscape Area

TW/13/01753/HOUSE/EA1

Location: Porters, Ashurst Hill, Ashurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Roof extension and first floor side extension

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/01770/HOUSE/SF1

Location: 1 Ashurst Hill Cottages, Ashurst Hill, Ashurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Two storey side extension with integrated roof over two new bay windows to the front elevation

Decision: Remain neutral - leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/01781/REM/RE4

Location: 32 Upper Profit, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Reserved Matters (Appearance, design and scale) detached dwelling and new access (land fronting Langton Road) (TW/13/00382 refers)

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/01819/FUL/RE4

Location: The Old Saw Mill, Langton Road, Speldhurst, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings and construction of new three bedroom dwelling

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/13/01856/HOUSE/SE2

Location: 17 Little Footway, Langton Green, Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: Two storey extension

Decision: Recommend refusal

Comments: Concern is expressed that this proposal would be detrimental to the openness of the street scene. Concern is also expressed at the proximity of the proposed extension to No. 15 and that the design of the proposed rear elevation does not complement the Georgian style of the house

7. Items for Information:

The date of the next meeting is 12th August.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Chairman