



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

Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held in the Committee Room, Speldhurst Village Hall on Tuesday 1st June 2010 at 7.30pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs. Mrs Podbury (Chairman), Mrs Hull, Ellis, Milner and Wheeler

OFFICER PRESENT: Mrs Meirion Flemington – Asst Clerk

- 1. Election of Chairman:** Cllr Wheeler proposed Cllr Mrs Podbury be re-elected as Chairman. This was unanimously **AGREED**.
- 2. Apologies and Reasons for Absence:** Cllr Brown (prior engagement), Cllr Langridge (prior engagement), Cllr Mrs Paulson-Ellis (holiday)
- 3. Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Milner – TW/10/01507/HOUSE/KLM - neighbour of Heather Bank Ferbies - personal and prejudicial interest.
- 4. Declarations of Lobbying:** There were none.
- 5. The Minutes of 17th May 2010** were signed as a correct record.
- 6. Matters Arising:** TWBC Website: Cllr Mrs Podbury advised that there is nothing further to report at present. Groombridge Farm Shop: Cllr Mrs Podbury advised that the Clerk had contacted TWBC planning department, the application for the chiller cabinet had been approved, the expiration date is 3 years from the date of the decision. No further action can be taken at present regarding selling from the gazebos.
- 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

TW/10/01415/FUL/IS1

Location: 18 Northfields Speldhurst Royal Tunbridge Wells Kent

Proposal: Demolition of existing back and side addition and construction of attached 2 storey house with new single storey back addition to new house and existing house together with 2 new parking spaces.

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/10/01523/TPO/DMD

Location: 32 The Boundary Langton Green Royal Tunbridge Wells Kent
Proposal: TREE – OAK (T1) – Fell
Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Tree Officer

TW/10/01548/FUL/JR

Location: Hollonds Farm Langton Road Langton Green Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Conversion of existing barns and stables to form 2 dwellings.
Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/10/01550/LBC/JR

Location: Hollonds Farm Langton Road Langton Green Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Listed Building Consent – Conversion of existing barns and stables to form 2 dwellings.
Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Conservation Officer

TW/10/01514/TPO/DMD

Location: 6 Newlands Langton Green Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: TREES – Pine (T1) – Remove one low limb; Oak (T2) – Remove 2 lower limbs and thin.
Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Tree officer

TW/10/01587/HOUSE/SF1

Location: 40 Holmewood Ridge Langton Green Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Two storey front extension, single storey rear extension and single storey garage extension to side.
Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Planning Officer

TW/10/01507/HOUSE/KLM

Location: Heather Bank Ferbies Speldhurst Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Removal of central dormer window in roof to front elevation and replace with two new dormer windows, one either side of position of existing dormer window.
Cllr Milner made a brief statement and left the room at 7.55pm
Decision: Recommend approval
Comment: Improves street scene
Cllr Milner returned at 7.56pm

TW/10/01667/HOUSE/CW1

Location: Shirlocks Leggs Lane Speldhurst Royal Tunbridge Wells
Proposal: Proposed garage/store
Decision: Recommend refusal
Comment: We can see no changes from the previous application which was refused in 2006. With this new application it is not clear what the new proposals are compared to the existing property. We are also concerned that the proposed driveway to the double garage could have an impact on the oak tree (on the left as you enter the property)

TW/10/01697/TPO/DM

Location: 48 Dornden Drive Langton Green Royal Tunbridge Wells

Proposal: TREES: T1 – ASH, T2 – OAK – Remove branches overhanging from neighbours garden to level with fence. T3, T4, T5 – OAK Remove 15-20 lower limbs to reduce shading.

Decision: Remain neutral – leave to Tree Officer

Comment: We are concerned that the applicant engaged a tree surgeon prior to seeking consent. We are also concerned at the attitude of the tree surgeon when approached by neighbouring property owners on site.

8. **Items for Information** – Planning Appeal **TW/10/00194/HOUSE 1 Cobhams** was noted Cllr Mrs Podbury had been contacted by Cllr Julian Stanyer concerning an area of woodland adjacent to Wallers on Speldhurst Hill being built on.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Chairman