

LINDFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Traffic Committee held on 23 March 2010 at the King Edward Hall, Lindfield.

The meeting commenced at 8.00pm.

Present: Mr C Snowling (Chairman)
Mr A Gomme (Vice Chairman)
Mr W Blunden
Mrs M Nicolle
Mrs V Upton

Also Present: 4 members of the public

In Attendance: Mr P Hemsley

404. WELCOME AND EMERGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

404.1 The Chairman welcomed those present and announced the emergency procedure for the King Edward Hall.

405. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

405.1 Apologies were received from Councillors Hersey, Leach and Willcox and the reasons accepted.

406. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

406.1 There was none.

407. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD ON 2 MARCH 2010

407.1 The Chairman called for approval of the Minutes of the Planning and Traffic Committee meeting held on 2 March 2010. It was AGREED to APPROVE the Minutes and the Chairman SIGNED the Minutes as a true record of that meeting.

408. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS REFERRED TO THE PARISH COUNCIL BY MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION

408.1 For each application, the observations of the members who had specifically studied the plans, and whose names are shown in the heading, were read out before any public comments and discussion by the Committee.

408.2 10/00367/FUL – 18 HIGH STREET
FILLING UP OF REAR AND FRONT LOGGIA, REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING GARDEN ROOM,
REPLACEMENT OF SHIPLAP TIMBER WEATHERBOARDING, FASCIA AND SOFFIT WITH UPVC,
REPLACEMENT OF TIMBER DOORS AND WINDOWS WITH DOUBLE GLAZED ON UPVC FRAMES
AND INTERNAL ALTERATIONS (Cllrs Nicolle and Leach).

Mr & Mrs Carl Wenstrom, the applicants, said that they wanted to bring this house back to life. They wished to modernise the property and re-present it to the High Street. There was a revised planning application in which showed that they would no longer replace the soffits and fascias with UPVC but would renovate/replace with timber. Similarly, the windows would be replaced with Georgian double-glazing within timber frames and the weatherboarding would also remain in timber. There would be a new lantern roof light.

Mr John Jesson, Lindfield Preservation Society, said that he objected to the proposals for UPVC and he welcomed the undertaking not to have it. He was content.

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Mr Neil Kerslake said that there would need to be a re-application.

AGREED RESPONSE: "No objection to this planning application provided matching materials are used. However, we would like to make the following comment: we are concerned that the proposed UPVC windows are contrary to Policy B12 as this dwelling is within the Conservation Area. We have been made aware by the applicant that he has amended the plans to replace UPVC with timber and that, consequently, this application is to be re-advertised."

408.3 10/00444/TCA – 18 HIGH STREET
HAWTHORN – REDUCE BY 15%. TWO BIRCH – FELL (Cllrs Nicolle and Leach).

Mr Wenstrom, the applicant, said that he was proposing to remove a silver birch at the front and reshape the holly. At the rear, there were 3 birch trees that were overdominant and needed removal.

AGREED RESPONSE: "We are aware of the Policy B12 as it relates to trees. However, we agree completely with the Tree and Landscape Officer, David Saunders, and have no objection to the removal of the specified trees."

408.4 10/00352/FUL – 4 SUMMERHILL GRANGE
ERECTION OF A SINGLE STOREY, TIMBER FRAMED, GLAZED ORANGERY (Cllrs Nicolle and Leach).

AGREED RESPONSE: "No objection."

408.5 10/00451/TREE – LAND AT FINCHES LANE
ONE OAK – REDUCE LATERAL BRANCHES ON WESTERN SIDE BY UP TO 3 METRES (Cllrs Nicolle and Leach).

AGREED RESPONSE: "No objection. The report of the Tree and Landscape Officer, David Saunders, is sufficient, as well as our own observations."

408.6 10/00580/FUL – HOLLY LODGE COTTAGE, SUMMERHILL LANE
ALTERATION TO CONSERVATORY WALLS (Cllrs Blunden and Upton).

AGREED RESPONSE: "No objection, subject to materials matching existing."

409 REPORTS ON ANY SIGNIFICANT PLANNING DECISIONS MADE BY MSDC AND THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE

409.1 The list had been circulated. NOTED:

§ That the Deputy Clerk had again asked MSDC to clarify the position with respect to the plate glass window on the right-hand flank of 53a High Street (Mansell McTaggart). The DC had confirmed that at 19 March no application had been received. The Senior Planning Officer, Mrs Sarah Guess, said that she would discuss with her manager whether the DC should now begin formal enforcement proceedings.

§ That the DC Planning Officer had received clarification with respect to 10/00219/FUL, 35-37 High Street (Somerfield/Co-operative Store) that no change to the front elevation or doors were proposed other than painting the window surrounds white. Therefore, the plans submitted had been correct; it had been the original description that had been incorrect. No amended plans were required.

§ That 10/00235/FUL, reprofiling of land at Beggars Grove Field, had been granted with 7 conditions, which the Deputy Clerk read out for the benefit of the public.

410. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

410.1 There was no other business.

The meeting concluded at 8.15pm.