

## LINDFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **PLANNING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE** meeting held on **MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> APRIL 2018** in the King Edward Hall, Lindfield.

The meeting commenced at **20.00**

**Present:**

Parish Councillors: Mr. C. Snowling (Chairman)  
Mr R. Plass (Vice-Chairman)  
Mrs M. Hersey  
Mr W. Blunden

**Also present:** One member of the Lindfield Preservation Society (LPS)  
Three members of the public

**In attendance:** Mr D Parsons (Deputy Parish Clerk)

**Not present:** Mrs V Upton  
Mrs. S. Richmond  
Mr M. Damsell

The Chairman opened the meeting, welcomed those present, and announced the emergency procedure for the King Edward Hall.

### **447 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

447.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Upton, Richmond and Damsell and the reasons were accepted.

### **448 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

448.1 Councillor Hersey stated that she reserved the right to express a different opinion from that given at this meeting, when present at meetings of Mid Sussex District Council's Planning Committee A, the District Wide Planning Committee, or at any meeting which subsequently considered any matter discussed at the present meeting, having seen officers' reports and heard representations from members of the public and fellow Members.

### **449 QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 15 MINUTES).**

449.1 Mr Kerslake asked about next steps in respect of the Councils Traffic Study. He sought to understand how the results were being presented to the Council's Traffic Consultant and hoped that this would not take the form of a 'beauty parade' based solely on votes. He considered that careful assessment of which works were most needed by the village, obtaining the views of the Traffic Consultant and early discussion with the Highways Authority was essential.

449.2 The Chairman pointed out that the Traffic Study was a separate agenda item and these matters would be considered under that item.

### **450 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD ON 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2018**

450.1 The Chairman called for approval of the Minutes of the Planning and Traffic Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2018. It was **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the Minutes, and the Chairman **SIGNED** the Minutes as a true record of that meeting.

### **451 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS REFERRED TO THE PARISH COUNCIL BY MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL (MSDC) FOR CONSIDERATION**

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451.1 For each application, the observations of the members who had specifically studied the plans were read out before any public comments and discussion by the Committee.

i. DM/18/1203 & 1206 – ROSEMARY COTTAGE, 80 HIGH STREET

DEMOLITION OF EXISTING AND SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION. CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND MINOR INTERNAL ALTERATIONS. DEMOLITION OF EXISTING SHED AND CONSTRUCTION OF DETACHED STUDIO BUILDING. ASSOCIATED HARD AND SOFT LANDSCAPING WORKS.

Mr Heath advised that he lived in the neighbouring property and whilst he got on well with the neighbours making this proposal, he had concerns in line with those detailed by the reviewing Councillors (“We do not feel we can support this application because of the length and height of the extension which is additional height and length to the building that is there. This will affect the neighbours’ (82) light in their kitchen, making it very dark and unneighbourly”). He advised that he had no problem with an extension if it were the same size as the existing extension.

Councillor Blunden advised that he had studied the plans carefully and had viewed the proposal from the neighbouring property. He considered that it would have a considerably adverse impact on the wellbeing of the residents in the neighbouring property, because of their loss of light. If however, it a new extension were to be built to the same height as the existing extension it would be acceptable. Councillors voted unanimously against the proposed extension.

**AGREED RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council is unable to support this application.** It considers that the additional height and length of the proposed extension is overbearing and unneighbourly, being significantly larger than the extension it is proposed to replace. As such, it will materially affect the light and outlook of the neighbouring property, contrary to Policy DP 26 of the Mid Sussex District Plan Adoption Version.

ii. 20.4.18 DM/18/1282 – 14 FINCHES GARDENS

SYCAMORE TREE (T1) - REDUCE THE CANOPY BY 1 TO 1.5M AND BALANCE

**AGREED RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application.**

iii. 27.4.18 DM/18/1229 – 31 CHALONER ROAD

DEMOLITION OF EXISTING REAR SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION, CONSTRUCTION OF REPLACEMENT SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION

**AGREED RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application.**

iv. 27.4.18 DM/18/1326 – 100 HIGH STREET

REPLACEMENT WINDOW TO LIGHT WELL AND INTERNAL ALTERATIONS TO LOWER GROUND FLOOR

**AGREED RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application** on the understanding that the skylight replacement is undertaken on a like for like basis, in line with Conservation Area requirements. Similarly, that the internal alterations address the requirements for both a Grade II listed property and the Conservation Area.

v. 27.4.18 DM/18/1330 – 26 FINCHES PARK ROAD

OAK (T1) REMOVE ALL SPLIT BRANCHES

**AGREED RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application.**

vi. 27.4.18 DM/18/1360 – CRAIGMORE, ROUNDWOOD LANE

THE PROPOSED WORKS INCLUDES A TWO STOREY REAR EXTENSION, A SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION, A GARAGE CONVERSION AND INTERNAL WORKS RENOVATION WORKS

**AGREED RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application,** subject to the materials and finishes of the external walls and roof of the extensions matching in colour and texture those of the existing dwelling house.

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- vii. 4.5.18 DM/18/1410 – THE BARN, HICKMANS LANE  
RE-ROOF WITH RETAINED TILES

**AGREED RESPONSE:** Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application.

**452 TO RECEIVE REPORTS ON ANY SIGNIFICANT PLANNING DECISIONS OR ISSUES MADE BY MSDC AND THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE AND TO AGREE ANY FURTHER ACTION WHICH MAY NEED TO BE TAKEN BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING.**

452.1 DM/17/4865 – Orchard House Roundwood Lane; garage demolition and two storey extension. LPC P&TC objected to the original and revised application. MSDC approved this application on 13.4.18.

452.2 The Committee **NOTED** the decision.

**453 TO CONSIDER DEVELOPMENTS IN RESPECT OF LINDFIELD PARISH COUNCIL'S TRAFFIC STUDY CONSULTATION WHICH CLOSED 10TH FEBRUARY 2018.**

453.1 The Deputy Parish Clerk reported that the voting following the Public Consultation had been collated and checked and would be published on the Council's website shortly. Further, that the results and associated comments had been shared with the Council's Traffic Consultant with a view to considering next steps. In considering Mr Kerslake's comments, the Deputy Parish Clerk advised that there had been no priority ranking indicated to the Consultant and that, in conjunction with the Consultant, consideration would be given to appropriate recommendations alongside liaison with appropriate stakeholders including West Sussex County Council as the highway owning authority. Such proposals would be brought before the Committee to consider the way forward.

**454 BUDGETARY MATTERS. PLANNING & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE BUDGET PROGRESS 2017/18: TO REVIEW PAYMENTS MADE TO 31ST MARCH 2018**

454.1 There had been no significant changes since last reported.

**455 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

455.1 None

The meeting concluded at 20:15