

Lindfield Parish Council

Minutes of the **PLANNING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE** meeting held on
Thursday 17th March 2022 in the King Edward Hall, Lindfield.

The Meeting commenced at **20:00**.

Present:

Parish Councillors: Mr R Plass (Chair)
Mrs V Upton
Mrs A Matthews
Mr J Stevens
Mr M Leach
Mr W Blunden

Also present: n/a

In attendance: Mr D Parsons (Deputy Parish Clerk)

347. Apologies

347.1 Apologies from Cllrs Hersey, Grace and Wood were received and accepted.

348. Declarations of Interest

348.1 Cllr Upton advised that the owners in relation to Item 351x (DM/22/0772) were friends of hers.

349. Approval of Minutes

349.1 The Chair noted that the draft Minutes of the Planning and Traffic Committee meeting held on 22nd February 2022 had previously been circulated and sought any members comments. Committee **agreed** that the Chair should sign the Minutes as a true record of that meeting.

350. Questions/comments from members of the public

350.1 None

351. Planning Applications and other matters referred to the Parish Council by Mid Sussex District Council (MSDC) for consideration

Appendix One shows the application details and agreed responses.

For each application, the observations of the members who had specifically studied the plans were read out and any public comments received, before discussion by the Committee, as summarised below (where applicable). For applications where Lindfield Preservation Society (LPS) had no comments, or their view was 'No objection' this is not recorded.

352. 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.

352.1 None.

353. Cycleways – SHLAT constitution changes

353.1 Members noted the new constitution of SHLAT, whereby it was proposed to become a 'not for profit' body and were keen to maintain LPC's involvement in its activities. These aligned well with Lindfield and Lindfield Rural's Neighbourhood Plan, in supporting sustainable travel between Scaynes Hill and Lindfield. However, members were also conscious that in moving the informal grouping into a constituted body, formal membership could result in decisions being taken by SHLAT which might not necessarily align with LPC's views and its responsibility to represent the whole community.

353.2 Accordingly, as proposed by Cllr Stevens and seconded by Cllr Matthews, Committee unanimously **agreed** that LPC should not become a member of SHLAT but that its representative (currently Cllr Grace) should continue attend its meetings in a watching/overview capacity and report back to P&TC as appropriate. It remained to be seen whether SHLAT would agree to this approach.

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354. TRO Update

354.1 The Deputy Parish Clerk advised that the Council's consultants would shortly be launching a 'second' consultation with a view to addressing issues raised by WSCC and that the 'launch' documents would be shared with P&TC prior to the start date. Committee **noted** the proposed way forward.

355. Matters Arising.

355.1 The Deputy Parish Clerk updated members that the residents of The Wilderness no longer sought a meeting with Councillors (Item 343 P&TC Minutes 22/2/22).

The meeting closed at 20:15.

The next P&TC Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 5th April 2021
at 8pm in the King Edward Hall.

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Appendix One – Responses to Planning Applications received from Mid Sussex District Council

Item	MSDC Application Year	MSDC Reference	PROPERTY NAME/ NUMBER	STREET	PROPOSAL
Responses for items i – vi have been agreed under the Temporary Delegated Authority approved by P&TC 5/10/21 and submitted to MSDC prior to this meeting to meet consultation expiry dates.					
i	2022	0467	Farthings	Roundwood Lane	Single storey front, side and rear extensions, replace first floor flat roof with pitched roof.
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application, subject to matching materials being used. This response has been submitted to MSDC under the Temporary Delegated Authority.					
ii	2022	0480	21	Portsmouth Wood Close	Proposed replacement of existing 2m high close boarded fence with a new timber acoustic fence along the south, west and north boundary of rear garden. 2.5m along the south and west boundary and 2.0m along the north boundary.
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application, subject to matching materials being used. This response has been submitted to MSDC under the Temporary Delegated Authority.					
iii	2022	0504	37	Compton Road	Proposed single storey rear/side extension, attic conversion with dormer windows to rear and new timber outbuilding.
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application, subject to matching materials being used. This response has been submitted to MSDC under the Temporary Delegated Authority.					
iv	2022	0546	48	Hickmans Lane	1 x Oak tree in front garden 5 meter height reduction and 1 x Oak tree in back garden 5 meter height reduction.
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application, subject to matching materials being used. This response has been submitted to MSDC under the Temporary Delegated Authority.					
v	2022	0571	103	The Welkin	Fell 1 x Oak
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application, subject to matching materials being used. This response has been submitted to MSDC under the Temporary Delegated Authority.					
vi	2022	0479	28	Newton Road	Proposed 2 storey rear extension and new front porch
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application, subject to matching materials being used. This response has been submitted to MSDC under the Temporary Delegated Authority.					

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vii	2022	0683	MSDC	Tollgate Car Park	Tree 07N8 Thuja Plicata (located north eastern corner of car park behind medical centre) remove stems/branches from base of tree, Crown lift remaining canopy to a height of approximately 2.5m from ground level and cut back from fence and roof to achieve a clearance of approximately 0.5-1.0m
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application provided that the work is carried out in accordance with BS3998.					
viii	2022	0639	112	The Welkin	Single-storey ground floor extension. This is an application to establish whether the development is lawful. This will be a legal decision where the planning merits of the proposed use cannot be taken into account.
RESPONSE: As this is a request for a Lawful Development Certificate, Lindfield Parish Council can only comment that there are no reasons for legal, valid objections as far as we are aware.					
ix	2022	0755	Red Lion / 60	High Street	1x T1 Ash Reduce to approximately 6 metres, as shown in attached photo. 1x T2 Holly Cut back to neighbour's telephone lines.
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application.					
x	2022	0772	Townlands Rear of 143	High Street	T1 Sycamore (located behind the garages): fell. G1 Group of Sycamore (located behind the garages): raise the canopies above the garages by 2.0m. G2 Group of holly (amongst the Douglas Fir): reduce by 1.5m (previous pruning points
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application.					
xi	2022	0810	The Barn	Hickmans Lane	Magnolia reduce by up to 1 metre and shape crown by up to half a metre in height.
RESPONSE: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application.					
Note: Where application addresses are listed more than once with different reference numbers but the same description, this indicates that more than one type of planning application is required for the work (e.g., both a Householder or Full application and Listed Building Consent)					