

## LINDFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **PLANNING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE** meeting held on  
**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019** in the King Edward Hall, Lindfield.

The meeting commenced at **20.00**

**Present:**

Parish Councillors: Mr R Plass (Vice-Chairman of the Planning and Traffic Committee and acting Chairman for this meeting)  
Mr I Wilson  
Mrs V Upton  
Mrs M Hersey  
Mr W Blunden

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

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

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

**583. Apologies**

583.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Snowling and Richmond and the reasons accepted.

**584. Declarations of Interest**

584.1 Cllr Hersey advised the Committee that she would leave the meeting during the discussion of Item 587i, as a family member was involved with the proposals for this site. Separately, Cllr Hersey stated that she reserved the right to express a different opinion when present at any meeting at Mid Sussex District Council which considered any matter discussed at LPC's P&TC, in the light of officers' reports and representations from members of the public and fellow Members.

**585. Approval of Minutes**

585.1 The Chairman called for approval of the Minutes of the Planning and Traffic Committee meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019. It was **agreed to approve** the Minutes, and the Chairman **signed** the Minutes as a true record of that meeting.

**586. To note the responses** provided to Mid Sussex District Council (MSDC) following the cancellation of the Planning and Traffic Committee's Meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

586.1 Committee Noted and Agreed the responses as detailed in the Agenda for this meeting.

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

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/19/0260 – Tavistock and Summerhill School, Summerhill Lane  
Proposed erection of 38 residential dwellings comprising 4 houses and 34 flats with associated internal access, surface-level car parking, landscaping with other infrastructure. (Corrected application form, site layout plan, Design and Access Statement and landscaping plans received 21/03/2019. Proposed car parking spaces revised to 77.)

The minor changes in the latest application do nothing to assuage the Council's detailed concerns spelt out in its response dated 22/2/19 and **Lindfield Parish Council re-confirms its strong objections** contained therein.

- ii. DM/19/1137 – The Manor House, 85 High Street  
Multiple Hollies – Fell

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The Deputy Parish Clerk advised that MSDC had issued a letter stating "No objection" earlier in the day and consequently no response from the Parish was required.

- iii. DM/19/0727 – Dendrons, Finches Gardens  
Conversion of roof space and replacement side extension

**Lindfield Parish Council has no objections** to this application subject to confirmation that there are no windows on the west side of the proposed development.

- iv. DM/19/0989 – 19B Pelham Road  
Replace double glazed aluminium unit to rear with new triple glazed PVCu unit.

**Lindfield Parish Council has no objections** to this application.

- v. DM/19/1184 – 3 Hickmans Close  
Proposed single storey extensions to the rear and both sides of the property. Demolition of existing garage and summerhouse at the side of property. Proposed new windows. Provision of 2 off-street parking spaces at front of property.

**Lindfield Parish Council has no objections** to this application subject to matching materials being utilised.

- vi. DM/19/1291 – 51 Savill Road  
(T1) Oak - Crown reduction by up to 2m

**Lindfield Parish Council has no objections** to this application.

- vii. DM/19/1412 – 80 Meadow Lane  
Side double storey extension and wrap around single storey extension

The proposed application is an overdevelopment of the plot, which will dominate the North /Easterly neighbouring property, a chalet style bungalow, proving both to deprive of light and present a large featureless wall to be viewed from the neighbours sun lounge and roof Velux type window, which makes the application unneighbourly contrary to the Mid Sussex District Plan Policy DP 26 Character and Design. **Lindfield Parish Council objects most strongly** to the application.

- viii. DM/19/1446 – 13 Dukes Road  
Replace existing side wooden framed conservatory into an orangery on the existing footprint. 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.

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.

**588. 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.**

588.1 The Parish Clerk advised the following:

- i. DM/18/3830 – 2 Meadow Drive

Lindfield Parish Council had no objections to this application which was Refused by MSDC in November 2018. Following Appeal, Planning Permission was granted 12 April 2019.

- ii. DM/18/2639 – Lantern Cottage, Spring Lane

In November 2018 LPC raised no objection to this application provided that the Planning Authority was satisfied that there will be no adverse impact on the Conservation Area, or its setting. MSDC refused the application in December 2018, citing Conservation Area concerns alongside it being in Countryside outside any defined built up area, with the size and scale of proposal not in-keeping. An Appeal was made to the Secretary of State on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

588.2 **Committee noted** these matters.

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### **589. Matters Arising**

- 589.1 Cllr Hersey advised of works she witnessed before the Easter break, north of the Village after Clock Tower, where hedgerow and trees were being removed, apparently to gain access to the highway. She had referred this to MSDC's Planning Enforcement Officer who visited the site and stopped works proceeding. It remains to be seen what, if any, next steps will be and whether any Planning Application will be seen in due course. The Deputy Parish Clerk was asked to remind the Area Highways Manager at West Sussex County Council of these events, noting the relatively dangerous nature of this section of the highway.
- 589.2 The Deputy Parish Clerk advised that following the receipt of correspondence from advisors to the 'StopHaywardsHeathGolfClub Development' group in respect of Lindfield's Neighbourhood Plan, the letter had been forwarded to MSDC's Planning Department for comment. Both aspects will be referred to the new Council once it has been formed.

The meeting concluded at 8.16pm