

Lindfield Parish Council

Minutes of the **PLANNING, TRANSPORT, and TRAFFIC COMMITTEE** meeting held on Tuesday 31st **October 2023** in the King Edward Hall, Lindfield.

P&TC Members:

Parish Councillors: Mrs V Upton (Chair)
Mrs A Matthews (Vice-Chair)
Mrs A Beecroft
Mr W Blunden
Mrs I Burns
Mrs L Grace
Mr S Nisbett
Mr T Webster
Mr I Wilson
Mr D Woolley
* Denotes absence from the meeting

In attendance: One member of the public
Mr D Parsons (Deputy Parish Clerk)

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

100. Apologies

100.1 None.

101. Declarations of Interest

101.1 There were no declarations of interest.

102. Approval of Minutes

102.1 The Chair noted that the draft Minutes of the Planning and Traffic Committee meeting held on 10th October 2023 had previously been circulated and sought any members comments. Committee **agreed** that the Chair should sign the Minutes as a true record of the meeting.

103. Questions/comments from members of the public

103.1 None.

104. Planning Applications and other matters referred to the Parish Council by Mid Sussex District Council (MSDC), West Sussex County Council (WSCC) 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).

105. To receive reports on any significant planning decisions or issues made by MSDC, West Sussex County Council (WSCC) or other authority for consideration and to agree any further action which may need to be taken before the next scheduled meeting.

105.1 None

106. Report on any issues addressed under the councils Scheme of Delegation and to consider further action required, if any.

106.1 Members considered the report previously circulated and **noted** the following items:

- a) Request to MSDC for the Construction Management Plan to prohibit vehicles from using Lindfield High Street as a delivery route for the proposed development DM/22/2272 Land at Hurst Farm, Haywards Heath.
- b) Response provided in respect of Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: consultation on implementation of plan-making reforms.

No further action is required.

107. 2024 - 25 Budget Report

107.1 Members considered the report previously circulated outlining the proposed 2023 – 24 budget and timetable for approval. Cllr Grace was keen to ensure that the budget had been drawn up recognising the anticipated renewal of assets envisaged in the 'Draft Plan 2023-2027' currently being considered by the council. The Deputy Parish Clerk advised that the budget sought to

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address all assets managed by the PTTC. Members **agreed** that budget should be re-presented to PTTC's 21st November meeting for agreement, having clarified that it covers all appropriate aspects of the 'Draft Plan 2023-2027.'

108. Lewes Road TRO

108.1 It was advised that following a meeting the Working Group that a letter will be submitted to Cllr Joy Dennis, Cabinet Member for Highways & Transport, WSCC, seeking her support for the proposed Lewes Road TRO, which is being reviewed by WSCC's Officers on 9th November. A copy of the letter will be provided to the next PTTC meeting.

108.2 Members **noted** this development.

109. Kerbside EV Working Group

109.1 Cllr Woolley advised that the Working Group is meeting next week to finalise its proposals.

110. Cycleways

110.1 Cllr Grace advised that there were no further developments that she was aware of.

111. Outstanding Action Points

111.1 Committee **noted** the currently outstanding items.

112. Matters Arising (for noting or deferral to a future meeting only)

112.1 None

The meeting closed at 20:20.

The **Planning, Transport and Traffic Committee next meets on Tuesday 21st November 2023**
at 8pm in the King Edward Hall.

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

Item	Year	Reference	Property	Street	Proposal
1	2023	2552	Malling Priory / 88	High Street	Change in colour to the front door, windows, quoins and banding and installation of security cameras and intruder detection sounders.
Response: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application, subject to the Conservation Officer's satisfaction.					
2	2023	2390	The Pavillion	Francis Road	T1 Large Spruce - remove, T2 Sycamore - remove, T3 Lime - re-pollard to previous pruning points
Response: Lindfield Parish Council (LPC) has no objection to the pollarding of the lime tree but does object to the proposals to remove the sycamore and spruce trees, in the absence of evidence that they are diseased and dangerous, or causing damage to property. LPC is keen to avoid the unnecessary removal of significant, species trees, recognising their positive impact on the natural environment, in terms of visual amenity, wildlife habitat and air quality.					
3	2023	2653	38	Finches Park Road	New second storey extension over existing garage and new two storey rear extension.
Response: Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application, subject to the satisfaction of MSDC's Flood Risk and Drainage Team.					
4	2023	2713	10	Summerhill Grange	5 x Lime Trees - Crown reduction by 3 to 6 metres
Response: Lindfield Paish Council has no objections to this application.					

Notes:

1. Lawful Development Certificate (LDC) applications - no response will normally be provided.
2. 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)