

Lindfield Parish Council

Minutes of the **PLANNING, TRANSPORT, and TRAFFIC COMMITTEE (PTTC)** meeting held on Tuesday 27th August 2024 in the King Edward Hall, Lindfield.

PTTC Members:

Parish Councillors:

Mrs V Upton (Chair)	Mrs I Burns
Mr T Webster (Vice-Chair)	Mr S Nisbett*
Mrs A Matthews	Mr I Wilson
Mrs A Beecroft	Mr D Woolley
Mr W Blunden*	

* Denotes absence from the meeting

In attendance: Cllr Anne-Marie Cooke, MSDC Lindfield Ward
Mr D Parsons (Deputy Parish Clerk)

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

246. Apologies

246.1 Apologies were received from Cllrs Nisbett and Blunden and the reasons accepted.

247. Declarations of Interest

247.1 Cllr Webster advised that he was Chair of Lindfield Rural Parish Council (LRPC), in whose parish the planning application for 90 houses considered under item 6.i. in the agenda is situated and was closely involved in LRPC's response(s) to the local planning authority.

248. Approval of Minutes

248.1 The Chair noted that the draft Minutes of the Planning and Traffic Committee meeting held on 6th August 2024 had previously been circulated and sought any members comments. Members **agreed** that the Chair should sign the Minutes as a true record of the meeting.

249. Questions/comments from members of the public

249.1 None.

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

250.1 None.

251. To receive reports on any significant planning decisions or issues made by MSDC, WSSC or other authority for consideration and to agree any further action which may need to be taken before the next scheduled meeting.

251.1 **DM/24/0446 – Land Off Scamps Hill, Scaynes Hill Road** – the erection of up to 90 dwellings. In line with the agenda report, Committee **agreed** to reiterate the council's objections to this proposal and state its support of the objections submitted by Lindfield Rural Parish Council. Also to seek improvements to the Lewes Road/High Street junction (as sought by West Sussex County Council Highways) as a pre-occupation condition in the unfortunate event that MSDC were to give permission for this unwanted development.

251.2 **DM/23/2304 & 2298 – The Old Bakery, 65/65A High Street.** Change of Use & Listed Building alterations. Committee **noted** that permission has now been given by MSDC.

251.3 Consultations:

- a) **National Policy Planning Framework** (Closes 24/9/24)
- b) **MSDC Statement of Licensing Policy 2025** (Closes 29/9/24)
- c) **MSDC Pavement Licence Policy** (Closes 29/9/24)
- d) **MSDC Taxi Licensing Policy** (Closes 29/9/24)

Cllr Anne-Marie Cooke, MSDC Lindfield Ward, highlighted that the proposed pavement licensing policy would see the fee increase to £500, the maximum allowed under government legislation and would mean that a local business applying for a pavement licence in Lindfield would pay the same amount as a large business in central London, which did not seem to be

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appropriate. Also, that the number of taxis in Mid Sussex able to accommodate disabled passengers was extremely limited and consideration to extending the licence period (from 10-12 years) might assist in encouraging drivers to make the investment in suitable vehicles. Cllr Woolley stated that he planned to review the consultations and submit his comments to the Parish Office. Committee **agreed** that this was an appropriate way forward and that collated comments could form the basis of responses (if any) for approval at the next Planning, Transport and Traffic Committee meeting on Tuesday 17th September.

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

252.1 None

253. Budget Report

253.1 Committee **noted** the report previously circulated.

254. Outstanding Action Points

254.1 Committee **noted** the report previously circulated.

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

255.1 None

The meeting closed at 20:20.

The Committee next meets on Tuesday 17th September 2024

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

Item	Year	Ref	Property	Street	Proposal
1	2024	1743	Bay Pond Cottage / 8	High Street	Replace existing timber framed windows with new double glazed timber windows on a like-for-like basis to the front and side elevation.
Response: Lindfield Parish Council has no objection to this application					
2	2024	1725	57	Appledore Gardens	Part single storey side and rear extension and part two storey infill rear extension with associated external and internal alterations.
Response: Lindfield Parish Council has no objection to this application					
3	2024	1890	Silver Penny House / 22	Brook Lane	(T1) Oak - Reduce branches overhanging car parking area by 2-3m
Response: Lindfield Parish Council has no objection to this application					
4	2024	1158	13	Backwoods Lane	Proposed single storey side and rear extension, with loft conversion to include extended roof with side gables and front and rear dormers. (Amended Plans and Tree Report received 24.07.2024 and 15.08.2024)
Response: Lindfield Parish Council considers that its response dated 25/6/24 remains apposite.					