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| Committee | PTTC |
| Date | 17/9/24 |
| Item | 6, 8, & 10 |

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| Report: | 6.i. AP/24/0044 (DM/24/0446) – Land Off Scamps Hill, Scaynes Hill Road |
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Summary

- a) **To note response** submitted to MSDC following PTTC 27/8/24 (see under Background below).
- b) **To consider actions** (if any) **following appeal lodged by applicant** (previously circulated) noting deadlines detailed under Current Position below.

Background

In March 2024, LPC responded to this application for 90 houses as follows:-

LPC strongly objects to this application which would further denude the greenspace in the Lindfield area. This despite the fact that the locale has already had to absorb some 700 new homes, without improvements to already stretched services; including provision of medical services, educational facilities, or roads, and no meaningful plans by the relevant authorities to address these issues.

The proposed site is not included in the current or revised District Plan for good reason, both in terms of the site's connectivity, and as the local planning authority is able to demonstrate a housing supply both for 5 years and 4 years, as required by the recently amended National Policy Planning Framework.

In terms of more detailed matters, LPC fully supports the objections raised in the 14th March 2024 letter submitted to MSDC by the Lindfield Society, including inter alia DP6: Settlement 1 Hierarchy, DP12: Protection and Enhancement of Countryside, and DP34: Listed Buildings and Other Heritage Assets.

To conclude, LPC considers that this speculative and wholly inappropriate development should be turned aside recognising its negative impact on the village, its evident contradiction to several established District Plan Policies, and as the Local Planning Authority can demonstrate the required housing supply. Whilst the site is located outside of Lindfield Parish, in the unfortunate event that MSDC were to consider progressing this matter further, LPC would wish to be consulted in respect of any S106 or Community Infrastructure Levy requirements, recognising the likely substantial impact on the village.

Since that time there have been a significant number of objections, including three responses from LRPC (see MSDC Public Register 22/7/2024, 23/5/2024 and 10/4/2024). [LPC submitted](#) a further response following PTTC 27/8/24, as follows:

“Lindfield Parish Council (LPC) reiterates its strong objections submitted to MSDC on 22nd March 2024 and supports the comments made by Lindfield Rural Parish Council on 10th April, 23rd May and 22nd July. In respect of S106 monies, LPC notes WSCC Highways’ Consultation Response requirement for funds to make improvements to the Lewes Road/High Street junction, which WSCC Highways have also sought and obtained from a number of previous planning applications, yet no such improvements have been implemented. In the unfortunate event that planning permission is given, LPC requests that the appropriate improvements are agreed between WSCC, MSDC and LPC, and made a pre-occupation condition.”

Current Position

Appeal lodged by applicant citing “...the failure of Mid Sussex District Council for failure to give notice of its decision within the appropriate period for permission or approval.”

The Planning Inspectorate have applied Rule 6 status allowing in person representations (need to apply ASAP). Additional comments can be submitted by 3/10/24.

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Budget

None

Risk Assessment

None

Sustainability

As required by the NPPF and Local Plans.

Way Forward

Accordingly, the following options have been considered:-

1. No further response.
2. Consider applying under the Rule 6 status to make representations in person on behalf of LPC.

Recommended Action

1. In the absence of additional information, Option 1 above appears to be appropriate.

David Parsons

Deputy Parish Clerk

5th September 2024

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| Report: | 8. Budget Report |
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Summary

No expenditure incurred in year to date. One of the council's SIDs has stopped producing data (although it still flashes up vehicle speeds as they approach the unit). The unit has been delivered to manufacturer who has advised that it appears the radar has/is failing and costs to repair are awaited. Update chased 5/9/24.

Current Position

| Description | Cost Centre / Reserve | Budget 2024-25 | Expenditure | Balance |
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| Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) ¹ | 4973 | £400 | £0 | £400 |
| Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) ² | 4960 | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 |
| sub-total Budget | | £3,900 | £0 | £3,900 |
| Earmarked Reserve | | | | |
| Planning Reserve (e.g. Neighbourhood Plan, Planning Issues, sustainable transport) | 4995 / 335 | £4,000 | | £4,000 |
| SID Replacement ² | 4936 / 336 | £2,000 | | £2,000 |
| sub-total Reserves | | £6,000 | £0 | £6,000 |
| Total | | £9,900 | £0 | £9,900 |

Notes

1. To meet annual maintenance charge
2. £1,500 is planned to be added to the SID Replacement Reserve, bringing this to £3,500 to meet the anticipated cost of repairing/replacing one of the ageing early SIDs, which displays speeds but is no longer reporting underlying data. The remaining £1,000 to cover ancillaries such as replacement batteries, repairs and post fitments.

Recommended Action

1. For noting.

David Parsons
Deputy Parish Clerk

5th September 2024

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| Report: | 10. Outstanding Action Points |
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| Minute | Meeting date | Subject | Action Agreed | Responsibility | Due Date | Status | Date Completed | Comments |
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| 223 | 25/6/24 | Lewes Road TRO | Agreed to set up near miss monitoring system | Deputy Parish Clerk | 25/7/24 | Overdue | | Parish Office undertaking set up – survey drafted, and initial testing has taken place. Further testing and launch to be agreed. |
| 251.3 | 27/8/24 | Four Consultations (NPPF, MSDC: Licensing, Pavement Licence & Taxi Licensing) | collated comments could form the basis of responses (if any) for approval at the next Planning, Transport and Traffic Committee meeting on Tuesday 17/9 (to meet 24/9 and 29/9 deadlines). | PTTC Members to provide comments / Deputy Parish Clerk to collate | 11/9/24 | Not Started | | Comments awaited |

Recommended Action

1. To note the currently outstanding action points.

David Parsons
Deputy Parish Clerk

5th September 2024