

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

REPORT (Minutes) of the Planning and Development Committee relating to the inspection of planning applications and other planning related matters, held at the Fleur de Lys Council Chambers, Market Square, Hailsham on Tuesday 24th May 2011 at 7.00 pm.

Prior to commencement of formal business, a period of not more than 15 minutes was assigned for the purpose of permitting members of the public to address the Panel or ask questions (on matters relevant to the responsibilities under direction of this Panel) at the invitation and discretion of the presiding Chairman.

The Committee were addressed by Mr G. Moore, the Planning Consultant for application WD/2011/0624/F Land adjacent to Summerhill Cottages, Summerhill Lane, Polegate. Mr Moore stated that the current site was very untidy with redundant buildings and the proposed application would enhance the appearance of the area. He reported that there were no newts or bats in the location and that owl boxes would be erected for the small owls that live in the area.

PLAN/
11/01/1

Present

Councillors: Mrs S.J. Bentley (Chairman), J. Bentley Astor, Mrs M. Burt, W. Crittenden, P. Holbrook, B. Marlowe, S. McAuliffe and M. Ryan (Vice Chairman)

Officer in attendance: K. Moralee

2 (a) **Election of Chairman**

Councillor Mrs J. Bentley was voted as Chairman, nominated by Councillor Mrs M. Burt and seconded by Councillor S. McAuliffe

(b) **Election of Vice Chairman**

Councillor M. Ryan was voted as Vice Chairman, nominated by Councillor M. McAuliffe and seconded by Mrs M. Burt

3 **Apologies For Absence:**

None were received.

4 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor W. Crittenden declared a personal interest in application WD/2011/0624/F – Land adjacent to Summerhill Cottages, as he is acquainted with the owner of the land of Summerhill Cottages.

Councillor S. McAuliffe declared a personal interest in application WD/2011/0831/AN as his accountant has an office in the building.

5 **Confirmation of Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Consultative Panel held on Tuesday 3rd May 2011 Ref: 10/4/227-236 was confirmed as a correct record.

6 **Matters Arising**

None were received.

7 **Planning Applications 11/1/7- 16 (appended hereto)**

Eleven plans were considered. There were no objections to: WD/2011/0910/F and WD/2011/0831/AN

8 WD/2011/0931/F – 93 Station Road, Hailsham

No objections, subject to highways consent

9 WD/2011/0876/F – 4a St Mary's Walk, Hailsham

No objections, subject to any applicable health and safety regulations concerning the safe use of tanning studios

10 WD/2011/0624/F – Land adjacent to Summerhill Cottages, Summerhill Lane, Polegate

The Planning and Development Committee agreed to hold a site visit at 2.00 pm on Friday 27th May before commenting on the application.

Hailsham Town Council's comments for the application are:

In the event that the property is found suitable for conversion, Hailsham Town Council would ask that Wealden District Council take into consideration the following conditions:

Wood joinery to be used for all doors and windows
Where possible re-use existing materials to retain the existing character of the building
All asbestos must be disposed of
The property must remain as one single dwelling
All hedgerows to the road frontage must be retained, excluding dead or decaying trees
The existing entrance must be retained
The building must sit on the existing footprint

11 WD/2011/0781/F – 46 South Road, Hailsham

No objections, providing there is no noise disturbance to residents

12 WD/2011/0814/F – 12 Amberstone View, Hailsham

No objections, providing that a condition is put in place stating that the property must remain as a single dwelling

13 WD/2010/0867/O – Curtilage of 1 The Lowlands, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council has no objections in principle to the outline plans

Councillor P. Holbrook voted against this application

14 WD/2011/1011/F – Finnoula, Western Road, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council has no objections, subject to East Sussex County Council Highways approval, but would request that the access is to be onto Western Road and to Finnoula only

15 WD/2011/0565/O – Land adjacent Troon Cottages, Gleneagles Drive, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council strongly objects to the proposed application for the following reasons:

- (i) the woodland is a habitat for at least two species of bats. This was not highlighted in the ecological report submitted with the application.
- (ii) The Town Council is not in favour of the access point to Gleneagles Drive as no individual houses have direct access onto Gleneagles road

Councillor W. Crittenden abstained from voting on this application.

16 WD/2011/1050/F – Hampton House, Summerheath Road, Hailsham

This Council would prefer to see brown wood effect double glazing, in character with the existing windows

Other Planning Matters

17 **Notice of Temporary Road Closure**

Item as appended hereto (PLAN/11/1/17) were noted

18 **Planning Committee South Meeting**

Items as appended hereto (PLAN/11/1/18) were noted

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55 pm

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Plans available to view at Hailsham Town Council Offices, Inglenook, Market Square, Hailsham weekdays from
9.00 am – 4.30 pm

Application No: WD/2011/0931/F Full
Location: 93 Station Road, Hailsham
Description: Proposed new drive and crossover

Application No: WD/2011/0910/F Full
Location: 45 Stroma Gardens, Hailsham
Description: Single storey extension to south elevation

Application No: WD/2011/0831/AN Non illuminated advertisement
Location: Cortlandt, George Street, Hailsham
Description: Replacement signage within curtilage of Grade II listed building

Application No: WD/2011/0876/F Full
Location: 4A St Marys Walk, Hailsham
Description: Proposed change of use from A1 (shop) to sui generic (tanning studio)

Application No: WD/2011/0624/F Full
Location: Land adjacent to Summerhill Cottages, Summerhill Lane, Polegate
Description: Conversion of disused buildings (previously used for commercial uses) to single dwelling house

Application No: WD/2011/0781/F Full
Location: 46 South Road, Hailsham
Description: Replacement steel framed building with metal cladding

Application No: WD/2011/0814/F Full
Location: 12 Amberstone View, Hailsham
Description: Removal of existing garage and construction of 2 storey side extension to provide new integral garage, dining room and master bedroom suite

Application No: WD/2011/0867/O Outline
Location: Curtilage of 1 The Lowlands, Hailsham
Description: 3 bedroom chalet style dwelling

Application No: WD/2011/1011/F Full
Location: Finnoula, Western Road, Hailsham
Description: Closure of existing vehicular access and formation of new access.

Application No: WD/2011/0565/O Outline
Location: Land adj Troon Cottages Gleneagles Drive, Hailsham
Description: Erection of two dwellings and garages

Application No: WD/2011/1050/F Full
Location: Hampton House, Summerheath Road, Hailsham
Description: Replacement of windows and one external door

Other Planning Matters

Notice of Temporary Road Closure

B2104 London Road, Hailsham. From its junction with the A271 Upper Horsebridge to its junction with the C1078 Hempstead Lane, between 23rd June 2011 – 29th June 2011

Planning Committee South

Notice of a meeting of the Planning Committee South to discuss application WD/2011/0407/MAJ and WD/2011/0408/MAJ - Car Park to South of the Quintins Shopping Centre, North Street, Hailsham and application WD/2011/0565/O - Land adj. Troon Cottages, Gleneagles Drive, Hailsham. Meeting to be held on Thursday 2nd June @ 10.00 am at the Council offices, Crowborough