HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL 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 in the** Fleur de Lys Council Chambers, Market Square, Hailsham on Tuesday 25th July 2023 at 6.30 pm.

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Public Forum

To deal with any questions or brief representations from members of the public relevant to the remit of the committee, in accordance with Standing Order 1. and Hailsham Town Council policy. (15 Minutes)

Three residents of Battle Road expressed their concern at the development proposed for Land East of Battle Road, North of Harebeating Lane, South of Arrow Drive.

One of the residents, Mrs Morrison, addressed the Committee in relation to the access proposed onto the site, which she considered to be extremely dangerous. She requested to know whether there were any proposals for yellow lines to be placed in the road and whether the cycle lanes will be affected?

The Committee suggested Mrs Morrison contact Wealden Council for further information on these details.

In addition, the residents raised concerns over the pollution which they considered will be caused by the development, the sewerage proposals for the development which were thought to be insufficient, plus the additional traffic which will result in Battle Road. Concern was expressed over the extra volume of traffic which will be caused by the development, as Battle Road is already extremely congested throughout the day.

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Councillors: A. Blake Coggins, C Bryant, J. Crittenden, B. Holbrook (substituting for A. Ricketts), P. Holbrook, D. Rusu (substituting for K. Nicholls)

Officers in attendance: K. Giddings

43 Apologies For Absence

Councillors N. Hayes, A. Ricketts, K. Nicholls

44 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillors P. Holbrook and B. Holbrook declared a personal interest in the application for WD/2023/1684/MAO - Land East of Battle Road, North of Harebeating Lane, South of Arrow Drive, as they live adjacent the proposed application and they did not vote on the application

Councillor P. Holbrook also declared a personal interest in WD/2023/1725/F – Mulberry Lodge - as he is acquainted with the applicant. P. Holbrook did not vote on the application

45 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved that Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on Tuesday 4th July 2023 (Ref 23/1xx/30 - 40) may be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

To receive an update about progress of resolutions from the last meeting of the Planning and Development Committee on 4th July 2023

K. Giddings reported the following:

WD/2023/1324/F – 13 Hawkstown Crescent – the Town Council had stated they would prefer a dummy roof on the proposed wash room and gym. Wealden Council had stated that the applicants had amended their plans to create a false pitch roof form at the front to mirror the adjacent property's garage

The appeal for Sea View Cottages, Amberstone (WD/2022/0501/O) has been dismissed.

The application for 84a London Road (WD/2023/0523) has been refused by Wealden Council

Planning Applications

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WD/2023/1684/MAO – Land East of Battle Road, North of Harebeating Lane, South of Arrow Drive, Hailsham

The Town Council's comments on the application are as follows:

The Town Council requests a buffer zone is created behind Norman Close, as is proposed for the rest of the Estate

The Town Council is extremely concerned at the access proposed into the site. The visibility splays are poor here and will cause a danger to motorists.

The Town Council is unsure whether the drainage proposals are suitable for the site. The Council is concerned at the surface water run off which will result from the proposed development and whether the three attenuation ponds are sufficient to cope with this run off

The Town Council notes the cycle path which is proposed to run through the Estate and would ask that this is 2.5 metres wide, to allow for disabled use

The Town Council requests that TigerMulch is used as the safety surfacing of the play areas

Councillors P. Holbrook and B. Holbrook did not vote on the application

48 WD/2023/1709/F – 7 Horam Grove, Hailsham

The Town Council has no objections to the application

49 WD/2023/1725/F – Mulberry Lodge, Amberstone, Hailsham

The Town Council supports the application

P. Holbrook did not vote on the application

50 WD/2023/1685/F – Land West of Station Road, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council were originally opposed to the access for the full development. The Council requests a time limit of 6 months to carry out the works to the temporary haul road

51 WD/2023/0515/F – The Orchard, Ersham Road, Hailsham

The Town Council objects to the application for the following reasons:

The proposed dwelling is out of keeping with neighbouring properties and does not fit in with the street scene

The dwelling and garden area are of poor design and will be detrimental to the future wellbeing of the occupants here

The application is therefore contrary to policy HAIL D1 of the Hailsham Neighbourhood Plan, paragraph 56 and 57 of the National Planning Policy Framework, saved policy EN27 of the Wealden Local Plan 1998 and Policy SPO13 of the Core Strategy Local Plan 2013

WD/3480/CC – Grangemead Resource Centre, 1 Hawthylands Road, Hailsham

The Town Council supports the application

53 Other Planning Matters

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Ersham Park, Ersham Road - naming of Open Space

The Committee agreed to the request to use the name of Flying Officer Percy Burton as the name for the area at the new development at Ersham Park, Ersham Road

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40 pm Global/Minutes & Agendas/Planning

Planning Applications

Application No: WD/2023/1684/MAO Major application – outline

Location: Land East of Battle Road, North of Harebeating Lane, South of Arrow Drive,

Hailsham

Description: OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION WITH ALL MATTERS (EXCEPT ACCESS)

RESERVED FOR THE DEMOLITION OF 152 BATTLE ROAD AND THE ERECTION OF UP TO 180 RESIDENTIAL UNITS INCLUDING 5% CUSTOM AND/OR SELF BUILD PLOTS, TOGETHER WITH OPEN SPACE, AREAS FOR PLAY SPACE AND ASSOCIATED WORKS.

Application No: WD/2023/1709/F Full Location: 7 Horam Grove, Hailsham Description: Erect conservatory at rear

Application No: WD/2023/1725/F Full

Location: Mulberry Lodge, Amberstone, Hailsham

Description: Construction of new vehicular access to serve property and closure of existing

vehicular access serving the property

Application No: WD/2023/1685/F Full

Location: Land West of Station Road, Hailsham

Description: Creation of temporary haul road associated with the consented residential

development at Land West of Station Road, Hailsham

Application No: WD/2023/0515/F Full

Location: The Orchard, Ersham Road, Hailsham

Description: Erection of single dwelling, with parking provision and soft landscape scheme

Application No: WD/3480/CC East Sussex County Council

Location: Grangemead Resource Centre, 1 Hawthylands Road, Hailsham

Description: Refurbishment of east wing from care home /respite space to serviced

residential flats (seven flats in total three of which will be wheelchair accessible on ground floor). Replacement of windows plus provision of photovoltaic panels, light tubes to roof and two new entrance canopies and associated landscaping

proposal