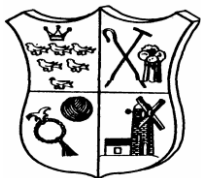


HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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 Town Council Offices, Fleur de Lys Meeting Room, Market Street, Hailsham on Tuesday 7th April 2026 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)

There were none present

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Present

Councillors: C. Bryant (Chair), J. Crittenden, A. Ricketts, M. Laxton (substituting for D. Chapman), K. Nicholls

Other Councillors present: S. Murphy (East Sussex County Council)

Officers in attendance: K. Giddings

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Apologies For Absence

D. Chapman

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Declarations of Interest

All Councillors declared prejudicial interests in the two applications for 32 High Street, Hailsham, as the Banking Hub will be run by the Town Council's Post Office staff. The Committee did not comment on the applications

M. Laxton declared a personal interest in the application for 32 High Street, Hailsham, as she is the Chair of the Post Office Committee and a Director of the CIC

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Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved that Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on Tuesday 17th March 2026 may be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposer – K. Nicholls, seconder – J. Crittenden

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To receive an update about progress of resolutions from the last meeting of

the Planning and Development Committee on 17th March 2026

There was no further update

176 **Traffic Calming measures**

The recent accident involving a car and two children crossing the A271 at Amberstone was discussed.

It was agreed for K. Giddings to contact members of East Sussex County Council to propose a shared project with ESCC and the Town Council, to organise the placing of a Pelican Crossing at the site of the accident.

It was suggested that the Town Council could contribute towards the cost of the crossing, and to approach Hellingly Council to see if they would like to contribute to the project as well.

Members requested the parents of the children involved in the accident be kept up to date with the proposals.

The Committee also discussed the possibility of employing a School Crossing Patrol Officer in the area. It was agreed K. Giddings would investigate, to establish whether there is a requirement by the local school for a School Crossing Patrol Officer here.

Planning Applications

177 WD/2026/0419/P25 – 54-56 High Street, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council has no objections

Proposer – J. Crittenden, Seconder – M. Laxton

All voted in favour

178 WD/2026/0470/A – Busy Bees Nursery, 42-46 London Road, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council has no objections

Proposer – M. Laxton, Seconder – K. Nicholls

All voted in favour

179 WD/2026/0291/LBR – 2 Rookery Cottages, Market Street, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council has no objections

Proposer – A. Ricketts, Seconder – J. Crittenden

All voted in favour

180 WD/2026/0505/F – 32 High Street, Hailsham

The Committee noted this application

181 WD/2026/0504/A – 32 High Street, Hailsham

The Committee noted this application

182 WD/2026/0382/F – 154 Battle Road, Hailsham

The Town Council is concerned over the lack of outdoor green space here

The proposed application is of a cramped nature, leaving little amenity space for the property

The application is contrary to HAIL D1 of the Hailsham Neighbourhood Plan

Proposer – K. Nicholls, Seconder – J. Crittenden

All voted in favour

183 WD/2026/0515/LB – 5 Upper Horsebridge, Hailsham

Hailsham Town Council has no objections

Proposer – A. Ricketts, Seconder – J. Crittenden

All voted in favour

Other Planning Matters

184 **Speeding Concerns in Hailsham**

The Committee Clerk had contacted East Sussex County Council in relation to a number of speeding concerns raised by a member of the public. ESCC had responded with some ideas on how to tackle the issue, suggesting that Hailsham Town Council may wish to consider requesting the “Community Scheme for Semi-permanent advisory signing”. To do this, the Town Council would need to arrange a meeting with ESCC, bringing details of proposed locations for these signs.

Members discussed these ideas and it was agreed to form a Working Group to investigate this matter, on behalf of the Planning Committee.

184.1 **RESOLVED** to create a Working Group on behalf of the Planning Committee, to investigate speeding issues and possible traffic calming measures in the Town. To report back to the Planning Committee with updates

It was agreed for K. Nicholls, A. Ricketts and A. Blake Coggins to form the Working Group

Members noted that the Working Group project will be placed as a rolling item on the Planning Committee agenda, for the Working Group to update the Planning Committee.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.20 pm Global/Minutes & Agendas/Planning

Planning Applications

Application No: WD/2026/0419/P25 PD change of use from Class E, Betting Office or Pay Day Loan Shop to mixed use inc flats

Location: 54-56 High Street, Hailsham

Description: CHANGE OF USE FROM COMMERCIAL, BUSINESS AND SERVICE (USE CLASS E) TO MIXED USE AS CLASS E AT GROUND FLOOR LEVEL AND CLASS C3 (1 NO. FLAT) AT FIRST FLOOR LEVEL.

Application No: WD/2026/0470/A Advertisement

Location: Busy Bees Nursery, 42-46 London Road, Hailsham

Description: Post sign

Application No: WD/2026/0291/LBR Listed building Consent Retrospective

Location: 2 Rookery Cottages, Market Street, Hailsham

Description: RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR REPLACEMENT ON A COMPLETE LIKE FOR LIKE BASIS OF SMALL REAR EXTERNAL BATHROOM WINDOW THAT WAS ROTTEN AND BEYOND REPAIR.

Application No: WD/2026/0505/F Full

Location: 32 High Street, Hailsham

Description: CHANGE OF USE FROM SUI GENERIS TO CLASS E (FOR CONVERSION OF THE UNIT INTO A BANKING HUB) ALONG WITH ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING SHOPFRONT & ENTRANCE DOOR & OTHER ASSOCIATED EXTERNAL ALTERATIONS & REPAIR. INSTALLATION OF NEW CONDENSOR UNIT TO REAR & ASSOCIATED WORKS.

Application No: WD/2026/0504/A Advertisement

Location: 32 High Street, Hailsham

Description: NEW ADVERTISEMENT AND SIGNAGE INCLUDING , 1NO. EXTERNALLY ILLUMINATED FASCIA SIGN WITH INDIVIDUAL LETTERING AND POST OFFICE LOGO, 1.NO EXTERNALLY ILLUMINATED HERITAGE PROJECTING SIGN, 1NO. SUSPENDED ILLUMINATED DIRECTORY OF SERVICES SIGN, 2NO. SUSPENDED ILLUMINATED MARKETING POSTERS, 1NO. COMMUNITY AND OWNERSHIP MESSAGE AND; 1NO. DDA SIGN, 1NO. CCTV SIGN AND 1NO. OPENING HOURS SIGN APPLIED TO THE ENTRANCE DOOR.'

Application No: WD/2026/0382/F Full

Location: 154 Battle Road, Hailsham

Description: ERECTION OF ONE DETACHED SINGLE-STOREY DWELLING WITH ASSOCIATED SHARED VEHICULAR ACCESS, PARKING, LANDSCAPING AND ANCILLARY WORKS FOLLOWING CLOSURE OF EXISTING ACCESS.

Application No: WD/2026/0515/LB Listed Building
Location: 5 Upper Horsebridge, Hailsham
Description: REPLACEMENT OF 3 UPVC WINDOWS AND 2 UPVC DOORS WITH
PAINTED TIMBER FRAMES AND REPAINTING OF EXTERIOR WALLS