



Minutes of the **PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE** meeting held on **Monday 18th December 2017** at 2.30pm at the Parish Office.

Present: Cllrs A Gaukroger (C), Mrs K Brooks, Mrs A Partridge

Apologies: Cllr D Coleman, Cllr Mrs Crowhurst, Cllr Mrs Mills

Clerk: Helen Munro

Deputy Clerk: Yvette Allen

1. **CHAIRMAN** – It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Gaukroger be appointed as Chairman of the Committee.
2. **VICE CHAIRMAN** – It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Mrs Mills be appointed as Vice Chairman of the Committee.
3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Apologies were received from Cllrs D Coleman, Mrs J Crowhurst and Mrs L Mills
4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – There were none.
5. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Cllr Gaukroger spoke briefly about the Speed Indicator Device in Maidstone Road, as a query had been raised about ownership. It belonged to KCC but Cllr Barrington King was prepared to fund an additional one if members considered it to be beneficial on the understanding that the Parish Council would have to maintain it. Further discussion was needed.

The Clerk explained that a Parish owned street column in Belfield Road had been hit and had been seriously damaged. The Parish contractor 'Streetlights' had made it safe and had approached UKPN to have the power turned off. The Parish Council insurance company had been informed.

6. **OPEN SESSION** – There were no members of the public present.
7. **TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

- a. Application No: 17/04054/FULL
Location: **Annexe, Queens Folly, 64 Lower Green Road**
Proposal: Demolition of existing pre-school annex building, construction of new 4-bedroom detached house.

NEUTRAL

- b. Application No: 17/04136/FULL
Location: **37 Sandhurst Avenue**
Proposal: Demolition of single storey rear extension and erection of two storey rear extension

NEUTRAL

8. **TO CONSIDER ANY FURTHER APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA DATE.** None had been received.

9. **DECISIONS** – Members **NOTED** grants as follows:

- a. Application No: 17/03646/TPO
Location: **19 Ridgeway**
Proposal: Trees: Oak (T2) – Reduce side of canopy against 15 Knights Ridge by approximately 2metres, blending in maintaining shape and form; Raise crown over garden of 15 Knights Ridge by

approximately 3 metres; Remove selected lower branch overhanging garden of 19 & 21 Ridgeway; Reduce canopy and raise crown facing 19 Ridgeway to maintain shape and of whole tree.

- b. Application No: 17/03353/FULL
Location: **3 Cornford Close**
Proposal: Installation of a detached timber garden room.

10. OTHER MATTERS. For information purposes only.

- a. A report of clearance works on the land opposite the junction of the A228 and Maidstone Road was made. The site would be monitored.
- b. A report of a notice displayed on land off Hastings Road was made. The notice enables a landowner to protect their land against the establishment of any/further public rights of way or registration of the land as a village green. Research would be undertaken and discussed at a future meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 3.10pm.