

Minutes of the **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE** meeting held at the Parish Council Office, Lower Green Road, Pembury on **Monday 18 March 2019 at 7.30pm.**



Councillors Present:

Cllr A Gaukroger (C)
Cllr K Brooks

Cllr A Partridge (VC)
Cllr D Coleman

Also in attendance:

Yvette Allen (Deputy Clerk)

P18/94. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** There were none.

P18/95. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** There were none.

P18/96. **MINUTES.** The minutes of the meeting held on 18 February 2019 were signed as a correct record.

P18/97. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

- Road repairs. Concerns were expressed about the poor state of Tonbridge Road, the High Street and Hastings Road. The Deputy Clerk was asked to chase up a previous request for action.
- A228 – Colts Hill. An email had been sent to the Department of Transport requesting that the A228 was included in the Major Network Road scheme. There was no further update.

P18/98. **CLERK'S REPORT AND ACTION UPDATES.** There was nothing to report.

P18/99. **OPEN SESSION.** No members of the public were present.

P18/100. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** The following applications were considered, and it was **RESOLVED** that the following responses be sent to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council. (TWBC)

- 19/00171/ADV** **Roundabout at junction of A21 Longfield Road**
Erection of three non-illuminated roundabout sponsorship signs.
RESPONSE: NEUTRAL but have concerns about possible sightline obstruction.
- 19/00127/FULL** **Little Hawkwell Farm, Maidstone Road**
Change of use from office (Class B1) to residential (Class C3).
RESPONSE: NEUTRAL
- 19/00219/FULL** **48 Ridgeway**
Demolition of existing porch and erection of a replacement porch.
RESPONSE: NEUTRAL

- d. **19/00168/ADV** **Roundabout on A228, Pembury Road**
Erection of four non-illuminated roundabout sponsorship signs.
RESPONSE: NEUTRAL but have concerns about possible sightline obstruction.
- e. **19/00170/ADV** **Roundabout junction A21 Pembury Bypass Slip Road with Tonbridge Road junction**
Advertisement – Non-illuminated roundabout sponsorship signs x 3.
RESPONSE: NEUTRAL but have concerns about possible sightline obstruction.
- f. **19/00244/FULL** **Melford House, Chalket Lane**
Two storey side extension for use as a granny annex.
RESPONSE: NEUTRAL subject to there being no loss of privacy for the immediate neighbour.

P18/101. **LATE PLANNING APPLICATIONS** – There were none.

P18/102. **PLANNING DECISIONS.** The following were noted:

- a. **18/03301/FULL** **75 Hastings Road**
Erection of five-bedroom house with cycle store

GRANTED
- b. **18/03511/FULL** **38 Sandhurst Avenue**
Demolition of existing single storey rear extension and replacement with two storey rear extension; two storey side extension including replacement garage; replacement boundary fence; terrace and new retaining wall to rear; alterations to fenestration and internal alterations.

GRANTED
- c. **18/03896/FULL** **22 Greenleas**
Proposed first floor extension and alterations.

GRANTED

P18/103. **LATE PLANNING DECISIONS.** There were none.

P18/104. **HIGHWAYS MATTERS.**

- a. Possible restricted parking alongside the Village Green. This was discussed and the Deputy Clerk was asked to contact Borough Councillor P Barrington King to ask him to arrange an informal meeting with TWBC Parking Enforcement department for advice.

- b. Traffic Congestion Pembury Road. A reply had been received from the Transport & Development Planning Manager from Kent County Council stating that Kent Highways are continuing to work closely with TWBC through their Local Plan process to see whether there are opportunities to progress improvements to the A264, as well as sustainable transport schemes.
- c. Re-siting of lamp column in Henwood Green Road. Emails had been sent to the Parish Council street lighting contractor who had organised this work in conjunction with UK Power Networks and a response from them was awaited.

P18/105. **QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS OR AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS.** The question was raised as to the nature of the work being carried out on the grass verge in the middle of the carriageway on the A228 at the junction with Maidstone Road. This would be investigated.

P18/106. **MEETING DATES.** Members noted the date of the next meeting – **Monday 15 April 2019.**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.12pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Chairman