

Minutes of the **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE** meeting held at the Parish Council Office, Lower Green Road, Pembury on **Monday 20 May 2019 at 7.30pm.**



Councillors Present:

Cllr A Gaukroger (C)
Cllr K Brooks

Cllr A Partridge (VC)
Cllr P Gillan

Also in attendance:

Yvette Allen (Deputy Clerk)

One resident.

P19/1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** There were none.

P19/2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** There were none.

P19/3. **MINUTES.** The minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2019 were signed as a correct record.

P19/4. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.** The Chair had been approached by a resident asking if a public meeting could be held concerning the proposed Motor Village on land next to Tesco but members felt that the Parish Council had done all it could to inform residents and did not feel there would be a benefit to this.

P19/5. **CLERK'S REPORT AND ACTION UPDATES.**

- a. Late planning applications. Two late planning applications had been received and were considered under Item P19/7 below.
- b. Late planning decisions. Two late planning decisions had been received and were noted under Item P19/9 below.
- c. Informal consultation on parking around the Village Green. Members proposed a couple of very minor alterations to the draft consultation but also suggested that, at this time, concentration should be on the Hendy planning application and to re-visit this at a later date.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.45pm.

P19/6. **OPEN SESSION.**

- The resident asked if Kent Highways had any comment about the Hendy application and was told that they had asked for an extension of time for their comments.
- The resident pointed out that the land had previously been designated as Park and Ride which had been part of the Local Plan and it was explained to her that this had been dropped by Tunbridge Wells Borough Council.
- The resident asked what more she could do personally as she had written an email of objection. The lady was advised to register and

Speak at the Planning Committee meeting at TWBC to voice her concerns and to encourage other people to attend the meeting.

The meeting was reconvened at 7.55pm.

P19/7. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** The following applications were considered, and it was **RESOLVED** that the following responses be sent to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (TWBC).

- a. **19/00913/FULL** **73 Henwood Green Road**
Single-storey rear extension with 2 no. rooflights, and addition of window to side elevation.

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL
- b. **19/00669/FULL** **11 Cornford Park**
Single storey side extension

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL
- c. **19/00413/FULL** **Latchetts, Romford Road**
Erection of a two-storey rear and side extension and an attached single storey garage.

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL
- d. **19/00883/ADV** **Land adjacent Tesco Car Park, Cornford Lane**
Advertisement: Erection of two site entrance signs, one totem sign and one direction sign.

RESPONSE: OBJECT to the application on the grounds that 19/00884 had not yet been decided so felt that it this was premature.
- e. **19/00890/FULL** **137 Hastings Road**
Erection of single-storey front extension.

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL
- f. **19/00907/LBC** **Burtons Solicitors, Tyled House, 23a High Street**
Listed Building Consent: Alterations to windows, doors and downpipes.

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL
- g. **19/00752/FULL** **101 Ridgeway**
Demolition of an existing conservatory to the rear of the property and construction of a new single storey rear extension.

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL

- h. **19/01056/FULL** **48 Maidstone Road**
Single-storey rear and side extension; alterations to fenestration including new flank window, widened rear doorset

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL
- i. **19/00991/FULL** **1E Beagleswood**
Converting garage to a bedroom. Original garage door to be in-filled with a new wall and a window. The existing exterior walls and flat roof will remain.

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL

P19/8. **LATE PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

P19/9. **PLANNING DECISIONS.** The following were noted:

- a. **19/00127/FULL** **Little Hawkwell Farm, Maidstone Road**
Change of use from office (Class B1) to residential (Class C3)

GRANTED
- b. **18/03847/FULL** **Anand Lodge, 37 Hastings Road**
Retrospective – Erection of decking at rear of the property

GRANTED
- c. **19/00168/ADV** **Roundabout on A228, Pembury Road**
Erection of four non-illuminated roundabout sponsorship signs

GRANTED

P19/10. **LATE PLANNING DECISIONS.**

P19/11. **HIGHWAYS MATTERS.**

- a. Highways Improvement Plan. Members agreed to bring ideas to the next Planning & Highways Committee meeting in June.
- b. Speed limit outside Pembury School. Correspondence between Cllr Barrington King and a resident was noted. It was felt that rather than 20mph speed restrictions, speed bumps might be more successful.
- c. Asset Management in Highways. The Forward Planned Works Programme was noted.
- d. A228. Correspondence from Greg Clark MP was noted and it was **RESOLVED** to send a response saying that the Council would welcome the Colts Hill Relief Road as it would improve safety and

reduce congestion. Members were reassured that this was consulted on by the Department for Transport and not just being looked at by the local authorities.

- e. Closure of A228 Pembury Road/Pembury Northern Bypass & High Street. Members noted the road closure which would be from 29 July for up to 4 weeks for gas mains replacement works.
- f. Village Gateway. Members **RESOLVED** to approve the design of the new Village Gateway.

P19/12. **KENT MINERALS AND WASTE LOCAL PLAN.** Members noted the Submission Statements and Availability of Submitted Documents.

P19/13. **QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS OR AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS.** There were none.

P19/14. **MEETING DATES.** Members noted the date of the next meeting – **Monday 24 June 2019.**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Chairman