

Minutes of the virtual **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE** meeting held on **Monday 20 July 2020 at 15:00.**



**Councillors Present:**

Cllr A Gaukroger (C)  
Cllr K Brooks  
Cllr G Hall

Cllr A Partridge (VC)  
Cllr P Gillan (was not in attendance between 15:06 – 15:24 due to technical issues)

**Also in attendance:**

Helen Munro (Clerk)

Yvette Allen (Deputy Clerk)

P20/18. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** There were none.

P20/19. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** Cllr Brooks declared an interest in application 20/01520/FULL as this is her property. Cllr Gaukroger declared an interest in the Cornford Lane item as he lives close by. He declared an interest in the Hendy proposal for which he has a dispensation.

P20/20. **MINUTES.** The minutes from the meeting on 22 June 2020 were received and accepted as a correct record. They would be signed at the earliest opportunity.

P20/21. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

- a. The Chair referred to a report on the Planning Portal by Highways England suggesting that traffic figures in relation to the proposed Hendy development were acceptable although more information was awaited. If any further information was received it would be discussed at the next Planning & Highways Committee meeting.
- b. He and Cllr Stratton had met with the planning consultants who had been appointed to assist with Pembury's Neighbourhood Development Plan and showed them points of interest in Pembury.

P20/22. **CLERK'S REPORT AND ACTION UPDATES.** There were none.

P20/23. **OPEN SESSION.** There was none.

P20/24. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** The following applications were considered, and it was **RESOLVED** that the following responses be sent to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (TWBC).

*Cllr Brooks left the meeting for the discussion on the following application.*

- a. **20/01520/FULL 54 Hastings Road**  
Enclosing front car port; demolition of rear conservatory and erection of a single storey rear and side extension with external

alterations/landscaping works to land providing a new terrace and path to garden access; demolition of existing garage; alterations to fenestration.

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL

*Cllr Brooks re-joined the meeting.*

- b. **20/01794**            **29 The Coppice**  
Erection of two storey rear extension; alterations to fenestration.

RESPONSE: NEUTRAL

P20/25. **LATE PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** The following application was considered, and it was **RESOLVED** to note the outcome as the work had already taken place.

- a. **20/01799**            **25/26 Bulls Place**  
Demolition of redundant garages and use of land as domestic gardens to numbers 25 and 26 Bulls Place (Retrospective)

NOTED

P20/26. **PLANNING DECISIONS.** The following were noted:

- a. **20/00825/LBC**      **Mays Farmhouse, Hastings Road**  
Listed Building Consent: To fit slender fit double glazing into existing sash window in front two upstairs bedrooms.

GRANTED

- b. **20/01201/FULL**    **14 Lower Green Road**  
Single storey rear extension with demolition of existing conservatory extension.

GRANTED

- c. **20/01281/FULL**    **7 Woodsgate Way**  
Demolition of conservatory and erection of two storey side extension and front porch and alterations to access arrangements.

WITHDRAWN

P20/27. **LATE PLANNING DECISIONS.** The following was noted:

- a. **20/01416/FULL**    **35 Heskett Park**

Conversion of attached garage to habitable accommodation with associated alterations to façade

GRANTED

- P20/28. **PROPOSED CASTLE HILL DEVELOPMENT.** A request had been received to meet the developer to discuss their proposal to develop Castle Hill. It was **RESOLVED** to arrange a virtual meeting with the developer as an information gathering exercise. As it could have an impact on the Neighbourhood Development Plan, the planning consultants would also be invited.

*Councillor Gaukroger left the meeting during discussion on the following item:*

- P20/29. **CORNFORD LANE.** It was **RESOLVED** that an official letter would be sent to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council and Kent County Council stating Pembury Parish Council's views on supporting measures to improve congestion in Cornford Lane.

*Councillor Gaukroger re-joined the meeting.*

- P20/30. **QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS OR AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS.** An item regarding an update on Hendy's proposal should be on the next agenda.

- P20/31. **MEETING DATES.** Members noted the following date: 14 September 2020 at 3pm. It was **RESOLVED** that an extra meeting in August could be scheduled if necessary.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 15:36.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman