

Minutes of the virtual **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE** meeting held on **Monday 19 April 2021** at **3:00pm**.



Councillors Present:

Cllr A Gaukroger (C)	Cllr G Hall
Cllr K Brooks	Cllr A Partridge (VC)
Cllr P Gillan	Cllr J Pearce

Also in attendance:

Yvette Allen (Deputy Clerk) David Harvey - DHA Planning Group (left at 3.15pm)

P20/155. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** There were none.

P20/156. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** There were none.

P20/157. **MINUTES.** The minutes from the meeting on **15 March 2021** were received and accepted as a correct record. They would be signed at the earliest opportunity.

P20/158. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.** There were none.

P20/159. **CLERK'S REPORT AND ACTION UPDATES.**

- a. Pedestrian Crossing outside Chemist. Enquiries had been made and the newly installed pedestrian lights did not record data.
- b. Buildings of Note. Contact had been made with Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (TWBC) and work was ongoing to apply for several buildings in Pembury to be put on to the TWBC local list and for three buildings to go on the English Heritage listing.

P20/160. **OPEN SESSION.** There was none.

P20/161. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** The following applications were considered, and it was **RESOLVED** that the following responses be submitted to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (TWBC).

- a. **21/00279/FULL 9 Cornford Park**
Form first floor side extension over existing garage.

NEUTRAL

- b. **21/00797/FULL The Tunbridge Wells Hospital**
Construction of a new 145-bedroom purpose-built student accommodation, academic learning hub and ancillary plant and services along with associated landscaping, access, parking, cycle/bin storage and other works.

We support the concept of a teaching facility at the Tunbridge Wells Hospital but OBJECT on the grounds that the lack of parking on an application of this scale is unacceptable. There is also concern about the significant loss of trees. There are also many unanswered queries.

c. **21/00754/FULL** **51 Church Road**

Single-storey rear extension.

NEUTRAL

d. **21/00722/FULL** **12 Gimble Way**

Removal of garage; proposed single-storey front and two-storey side extensions.

NEUTRAL subject to there being no loss of light or privacy for immediate neighbours.

e. **21/00694/FULL** **16 Maidstone Road**

Removal of conservatory; single-storey extension; changes to fenestration.

NEUTRAL subject to there being no loss of light or privacy for immediate neighbours.

f. **21/00526/FULL** **The Black Horse, High Street**

Removal of shed, roofed shelter and umbrella awning; install proposed retractable garden awnings.

NEUTRAL

g. **21/00603/FULL** **Hospice in the Weald**

Replacement of two small greenhouses and one small garden store with one larger greenhouse and one larger garden store.

Cllr Hall to carry out a site visit before a response is sent as there was insufficient information about trees. Any response will be delegated to the office.

h. **21/00991/FULL** **9 The Grove**

Removal of conservatory and replacement with proposed single-storey rear extension.

NEUTRAL

P20/162. **LATE PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** There were none.

P20/163. **PLANNING DECISIONS.** The following were noted:

- a. **20/03768/FULL 36 Maidstone Road**
Proposed alterations and extensions to existing semi-detached residence; new ground floor kitchen and playroom rear extension; new front porch area and extension and new first floor side extension.

GRANTED

- b. **20/03787/FULL Russetts, The Woodlands**
Conversion of garage to annexe.

GRANTED

- c. **20/03708/FULL Units 1 and 2, Hawkwell Business Centre, Maidstone Road**
Proposed replacement windows and doors; new rooflight to unit 1; new landscaping and hazel screening.

GRANTED

- d. **20/00384/TPO 86 Woodhill Park**
Sweet Chestnut – Pollard back to last cut to avoid risk of broken branches and excessive shading.

GRANTED

- e. **21/00339/LBC Chalket Farm, Chalket Lane**
Listed Building Consent: Replacement of 6 wooden double-glazed windows, one single door and one set of double doors with similar wooden double glazed well-fitting units.

GRANTED

- f. **21/00280/FULL 8 Camden Avenue**
Erection of two bedroom single-storey dwelling extending existing access serving current property with associated amenity space, parking and secure bin storage.

REFUSED.

P20/164. **LATE PLANNING DECISIONS.** There were none.

P20/165. **KENT HIGHWAYS – FORWARD WORKS PLANNING.** The document giving details of planned works over the next five years was noted.

- P20/166. **STONE COURT LANE.** Following discussions about car parking issues, members agreed that it was inappropriate to become involved in this private matter.
- P20/167. **DRAFT PRE-SUBMISSION LOCAL PLAN RESPONSE.** A few amendments would be made to the response and would go on the Full Council agenda in May before formal submission to TWBC. The amended response is to be circulated to the Borough Councillors and the Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group.
- P20/168. **RISKS.** There were none.
- P20/169. **QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS OR AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS.** There were none.
- P20/170. **NEXT MEETING DATE.** Members noted the following date: **17 May 2021 at 3.00pm.**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 4.14pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Chairman