

HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
MONDAY 25 JUNE 2018 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE
IAN PRICE ROOM, HEATHFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRESENT: Cllrs Coffey (Chairman, in the Chair), Hart and Thomas.

The Clerk was in attendance.

5 members of the public were also present.

WD/2018/0899/LDE

A local resident spoke on behalf of neighbours regarding some background to development and use of the site. Solicitors acting for the neighbours had raised a number of legal issues, requesting that the application be refused and enforcement action taken.

PUNNETTS TOWN SAFER CROSSING

Representatives of the action group spoke about the ongoing Petition and measures to meet the objectives of LTP3, including the setting up of a Speedwatch Group and extra signage warning drivers to reduce their speed. These would then lead to a score which would determine whether ESCC would prioritise a crossing scheme. Various crossings were available, but one with lights was considered essential to slow drivers down.

VIABILITY ASSESSMENTS

A representative of the StopVinesCorner Action Group spoke to the Committee regarding his complaint to the ICO regarding Wealden not publishing Viability Assessment Reports. Wealden had now agreed to publish such reports and the documentation relating to The Beehive site was awaited.

The Meeting commenced at 8.04 p.m.

129/18 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Hatcher, Holmwood, Kentish-Barnes, Leach, Rivers and Taylor.

130/18 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Cllr Coffey disclosed a personal interest in respect of WD/2018/1115/F as Chairman of the Springwood Road Residents Association.

131/18 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 11 June 2018, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

132/18 **MATTERS ARISING**

There were none.

133/18 **WDC- WD/2018/0899/LDE – HEATHFIELD TOWERS, NEWICK LANE, HEATHFIELD**

It was agreed that, although this was a Certificate of Lawful Development application upon which the Parish Council was not requested to comment, an email should be sent to the Case Officer stating that the Council was aware of many issues raised by nearby residents in relation to irregularities at the site and considered there to be compelling evidence to request the Planning Authority to reject the application.

134/18 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

WD/2018/1162/F

67 GORSE HILL, BROAD OAK, HEATHFIELD TN21 8TP. Replacement single storey rear extension

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in keeping in the locality. Neighbours' views should be taken into account and care should be taken during construction works to protect the boundary. There should be no windows on the Eastern side.

WD/2016/1559/F

GREAT PRIORS, CHURCH STREET, OLD HEATHFIELD TN21 9AJ. Works to remove 22m leylandii hedging and erect a 2m high close boarded fence

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application subject to appropriate planting to screen the fence.

WD/2018/1115/F

39 SPRINGWOOD ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 8JX. Two storey side extension, porch to front and alterations to existing building

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the size and appearance to be in keeping in the locality. Use should be ancillary to existing dwelling only and there should be no further windows on the flank wall.

135/18 **PUNNETTS TOWN PEDESTRIAN CROSSING**

It was noted that a letter of support for the crossing was being drawn up by the MP, signed by Warbleton Parish Council, Wealden District Council and it was requested that the support of this Council be included. The Clerk reported that the press release issued by the MP was to be amended to remove the suggestion that the recreation ground car park was for use by the School

The Committee recognised and appreciated the efforts being made by the action group and agreed to support in principle the need for a crossing in this location, on the basis it was funded by others, primarily the County Council.

136/18 **PROPOSED SEASONAL CLOSURE (1/10-31/3) OF PART FOOTPATH 115 AT CAMBRIDGE LANE, WALDRON**

The Committee noted the proposed seasonal closure which was necessitated by damage by vehicle use in the winter months.

137/18 **ITEMS FOR ESCC LIAISON MEETING TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY 19 JULY 2018 AT 2.00 PM IN THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICES**

It was agreed that the poor state of the carriageway at the junction of Tilsmore Road/Mill Road should be added to the agenda.

138/18 **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would take place on Monday 9 July 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in the Ian Price Room, Heathfield Community Centre, Sheepsetting Lane, Heathfield.

139/18 **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS**

No matters were raised.

140/18 **CRIME AND DISORDER ACT 1998 SECTION 17**

There were considered to be no crime and disorder implications in relation to matters discussed at the meeting.

141/18 **RISK MANAGEMENT**

There were considered to be no risk management implications in relation to matters discussed at the meeting.

The Meeting closed at 8.38 pm.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: