

HEATHFIELD AND WALDRON PARISH COUNCIL

HIGHWAYS, PLANNING & STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

MONDAY 25 OCTOBER 2010 AT 7.30 P.M.

At Heathfield Community Centre

PRESENT: Mr M Baker, Mr Bowdler, Mrs Clark, Mrs Holmwood, Mrs Kentish-Barnes, Mr Kerby, Mr Newnham (Chairman) and Mr Smith.

The Clerk was in attendance.

There were 10 members of the public also present.

WD/2010/2014/MAJ

Nearby residents expressed concern about the siting of the new building which would mean the removal of two redwood trees, overlooking of a neighbouring property and additional traffic onto B2102 exacerbated by insufficient public transport and the lack of a pedestrian footpath to the west.

The Agent spoke in support of the application and indicated that the re-positioning of the care home building was at the request of Wealden's planning department. There would be extensive re-planting and as many existing trees as possible would be retained.

The meeting commenced at 7.50 p.m.

10/247 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Mrs Archer, Mr A Baker, Mr Chambers, Mrs Gander and Mr Hart.

10/248 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 11 October 2010, having been previously circulated be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

10/249 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

10/250 **MATTERS ARISING**

There were none.

10/251 **WDC – TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 – TPO 2010/2011 – FRERE, PROSPECT ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN 21 8EN**

The Committee noted information regarding tree works at the above location.

10/252 **ESCC – TILSMORE AREA TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME**

The Committee noted that the work had commenced and was due to be completed within one week.

10/253 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

WD/2010/2014/MAJ

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OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the design was sympathetic to the character of the area and should be welcomed. The reinstatement of the formal garden would be an asset to the community and was also welcomed.

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WD/2010/1894/A

27A HIGH STREET, HEATHFIELD TN21 8JR. Wall mounted letters on wall adjacent to High Street. Correct scaled plans received date stamped 8 October 2010.

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the use to be suitable for the area.

WD/2010/2234/F

WELCOME BAPTIST CHURCH, ALEXANDRA ROAD, HEATHFIELD TN21 8EQ. Demolish existing shed on the front of the property and replace it with a new shed.

OBSERVATIONS: The Committee supported the application and considered the use to be suitable for the area.

10/254 **REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARIES**

It was noted that the draft Local Development Framework Core Strategy had been published by WDC and, following the Government's abolition of the former housing targets, Wealden were proposing their own housing allocations for the period to 2030. The Committee considered that the target for Heathfield – 160 – was too low to ensure the future prosperity and vitality of the town and that some development to the east and west boundaries of the High Street should be considered.

With regard to Development Boundaries, it was agreed that Wealden be recommended to maintain the village envelopes, slightly adjusted, to allow modest affordable housing units.

It was expected that there would be a presentation at the District/Parish Conference on 3 November and any resulting comments would be passed on to the District Council.

10/255 **DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 8 November 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Ian Price Room, Heathfield Community Centre, Sheepsetting Lane, Heathfield.

10/256 **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS HAVING BEEN PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED**

There were none.

10/257 **CRIME AND DISORDER ACT SECTION 17 TO CONSIDER EFFECTS (IF ANY) ARISING FROM ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

10/258 **RISK MANAGEMENT**

There were no risk management issues arising from matters discussed at the meeting.

The Meeting closed at 8.29 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: