

WESTERHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning and Development Committee held on
Thursday 16th July 2015 at 9.30am in Russell House, Market Square,
Westerham

Present: Councillors: Mr P Ashley (PA) - Chairman
Mr D Le Breton (DIB)
Mrs H Marsh (HM)
Mrs L Bird (LB)

In attendance: Assistant Clerk: Mrs D Rogers (DR)

Item		Action
1.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> Mrs L Rodgers	
2.	<u>Declarations of Interest not previously declared</u> None	
3.	<u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd July 2015</u> None	
4.	<u>Information items arising from the minutes of the previous meeting not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda</u> None	
5.	<p><u>Planning Applications</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SE/15/01788/LBCALT Coakham Farm, Pootings Road, Crockham Hill, Kent, TN8 6SB Insertion of additional window, in the curtilage of a Listed building, as approved under application reference 15/00555/MMA. Refer to SDC Officers • SE/15/01955/VAR106 French Street Nurseries, French Street, Westerham, Kent, TN16 1PW Discharge of the Section 52 agreement dated 14th March 1989 restricting agricultural occupancy in relation to planning permission SE/88/01156. WTC supports the application of discharge of Section 52 agreement from the Bothy. Refer to Officers other details. • SE/15/01818/HOUSE Hornshill Lodge, Hosey Common Road, Westerham, Kent, TN16 1PR 	

	<p>Erection of new brick supporting walls, extend lighting to entrance and gate area, replace hedges with close board fencing. New automated wooden gate. (RETROSPECTIVE). Refer to SDC Officers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SE/15/01895/HOUSE Little Stakes, Hosey Hill, Westerham, Kent, TN16 1TB Conversion of existing garage into habitable accommodation, installation of windows in front and rear elevations, external door with canopy over to side elevation and balcony, with glazed screen to rear elevation. Removal of internal walls and cupboard. Erection of side extension to South-East elevation to provide ground level parking, and erection of 1.5m high close boarded fencing to side and rear boundary. WTC supports the application. • SE/15/01896/LBCALT Little Stakes, Hosey Hill, Westerham, Kent, TN16 1TB Conversion of existing garage into habitable accommodation, installation of windows in front and rear elevations, external door with canopy over to side elevation and balcony, with glazed screen to rear elevation. Removal of internal walls and cupboard. Erection of side extension to South-East elevation to provide ground level parking, and erection of 1.5m high close boarded fencing to side and rear boundary. Refer to SDC Listing Building Officer. 	
6.	<p><u>Planning Decisions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SE/15/00664/LBCALT Squerryes Lodge, Lodge Lane, Westerham, Kent Minor internal alterations: create ensuite bathrooms; upgrade the mechanical & electrical services and fire/security installations. Removal of Chimney, removal of tiles from the Barn. Granted • SE/15/00168/HOUSE Tanglewood, Goodley Stock Road, Crockham Hill, Kent Proposed addition of roof windows to existing loft space. Making Comment Only • SE/15/01254/HOUSE 2 Fort Cottages, Westerham Hill, Westerham, Kent Single storey rear extension. Refused 	
7.	<p><u>Tree Work</u> A Tree Survey had been carried out by the APOS Committee.</p>	
8.	<p><u>Village Design Statement – update</u> A meeting had taken place with SDC on 9th July. WTC currently has a Village Design Statement (VDS) which requires reviewing and updating. SDC will pay</p>	

	for the cost of publishing Westerham new VDS document. Volunteers are required from all parts of the community. HM will discuss at the Retailers evening event on 30 th July and with Churchill Primary School on 29 th September. The Clerk to approach Westerham Society and any local residents associations about becoming involved. A start up meeting is planned for September.	HM/AH
9.	<p><u>Reports From Councillors</u></p> <p>HM – Reported on Talking Statues a Westerham Town Partnership project. SDC had said that they were unable to advise on the Talking Statue signage. SDC can only comment on an actual idea. Planning happy to support concept of Talking Statue project, however would like to see final proposal for signage to be placed on statues.</p> <p>PA – Reported that Winnies Pre School had been given a 12 month extension to stay at their current location on the Churchill School site. WTC had in principle offered an area of WTC owned land on the Churchill School site to re-locate Winnies pre-school. However it must be noted that the land is designated Green Belt under current Planning Policy and this may affect any future planning application.</p>	
10.	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>10.1 SDC Enforcement update -nothing to update.</p> <p>10.2 Redevelopment of land off London Road - HM & PA to attend exhibition being held by Linden Homes on 24th July at Westerham Hall, LB cannot attend due to training.</p>	
11.	<p><u>Westerham & Brasted Gazette and web-site</u></p> <p>PA had written an article on the Village Design Statement to appear in the August copy of the Gazette and the website.</p>	
12.	<p><u>Matters for District and County Councillors</u></p> <p>SDC Planning Officer, contrary to the recommendation of WTC, had recommended application for a new building adjacent to the Catholic Church had been challenged by WTC. Cllr Rodgers and Cllr Maskell will attend the Sevenoaks Development Control Committee meeting on 30th July 2015.</p>	
13.	<p><u>Further Matters for Consideration at the next meeting</u></p> <p>None</p>	
14.	<p><u>Date of next Meeting</u></p> <p>Thursday 30th July 2015</p> <p>Apologies from Cllr Ashley due to holiday. Cllr Rodgers to Chair.</p>	

The meeting was concluded at 10.30 am

Minutes confirmed as a correct record:

Chairman