

WESTERHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning and Development Committee held virtually on
Thursday 4th March 2021 at 9.30 am

Present: Councillors: Mr N Robson (NR) – Chairman
Mrs D Coen (DC)
Dr S Kay (SK)
Mr C Pither (PC)

In attendance: Town Clerk: Mrs A Howells (AH)

Item		Action
1.	This meeting was held virtually using Zoom due to Covid 19. <u>Apologies for Absence</u> Cllr Bird – Unable to attend.	
2.	<u>Declarations of Interest not previously declared</u> None.	
3.	<u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th February 2021</u> Minutes from the meeting on 18 th February were approved.	
4.	<u>Information items arising from the minutes of the previous meeting not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda</u> SE/20/03676/FUL - (22 - 24 Granville Road) - Cllr Robson reported that despite numerous discussions with SDC, and raising further objections with the planning officers, it would not be possible for this application to go to the SDC Development Control Committee (DCC). Unfortunately it was felt by those responsible for putting this before the DCC that there were insufficient grounds from a planning perspective to pursue this.	
5.	<u>Planning Applications</u> • KCC/SE/0495/2018 Covers Quarry, Westerham TN16 Stabilisation and restoration of Covers Farm Quarry using imported engineering materials to restore the site to grassland, including landscape planting and an ecological receptor area together with a temporary road and ancillary buildings. WTC would be submitting a formal response before the deadline. • SE/21/00436/FUL 13 London Road, Westerham TN16 1BB	

	<p>Demolition of existing extension to create a proposed new extension. WTC supports the application.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SE/20/03692/HOUSE Harmans Orchard Cottage, Froghole Lane, Crockham Hill TN8 6TD Erection of single storey side extension – amended consultation. WTC reiterates its objection to the application: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This application results in an increase of 50% of the original dwelling – SDC Policy GB1 (c). • The building has already increased in size by 50% and WTC does not accept the statement that the building size should be taken as it currently stands rather than in 1947. • WTC remains opposed to most aspects of current proposal. 	
6.	<p><u>Planning Decisions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SE/20/03422/FUL Willowmere Farm, Mapleton Road, Four Elms TN8 Replacement dwelling. Granted • SE/20/03783/HOUSE 2 Deanery Road, Crockham Hill TN8 Erection of a single storey utility extension. Granted • SE/20/03121/FUL Heights Stables, Westerham Hill, Westerham TN16 Construction of five new dwellings, off street parking, landscaping. Granted • SE/20/03770/MMA Sunnybank, Hosey Common Road, Westerham TN16 Use of HardiePlank 8mm cladding in lieu of approved cladding. Granted • SE/20/03774/HOUSE Spinneys, Goodley Stock Road, Crockham Hill TN8 Erection of rear extension Refused • SE/20/03700/HOUSE Court Lodge, London Road, Westerham TN16 Erection of outbuildings in rear garden. Granted 	
7.	<p><u>Tree Works</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SE/20/00509/WTCA Springfield Cottage, High Street, Westerham TN16 1RQ Works to trees CA. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/21/00540/WTPO <p>The Tudor House, High Street, Westerham TN16 1RQ Various works to trees.</p>	
8.	<p><u>Consultations</u></p> <p>8.1 MHCLG – new Design Code for local authorities – Following discussion it was agreed that Cllr Robson would comment objecting to the changes to the Green Belt and supporting the changes giving more scope for Town and Parish Councils to comment on the impact of the design.</p> <p>8.2 TRO layout – Force Green Lane – Following discussion it was agreed to comment that WTC was concerned that having traffic cross fast flowing traffic to turn into Force Green Lane was dangerous whether it was traffic going uphill or downhill as the speed limit was 50mph in this area and it was an accident waiting to happen. One way of limiting this would be to make all traffic exiting the site turn left out of the site and continue to the roundabout to then go back up Westerham Hill.</p>	
9.	<p><u>Planning Issues</u></p> <p>9.1 SDC Local Plan – No further update.</p> <p>9.2 Tandridge District Council draft Local Plan – No further update.</p>	
10.	<p><u>Reports from Councillors</u></p> <p>Cllr Pither reported he and Cllr Robson had attended the webinar 'Kent Guide to Developing Homes in Rural Communities'.</p> <p>Cllr Kay had attended Kent CPRE meetings.</p> <p>Cllr Robson reported that the application for four dwellings at Bloomfield Terrace was ongoing with further questions on flooding from the applicant out for consultation.</p>	
11.	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>11.1 SDC Enforcement - No further updates received.</p>	
12.	<p><u>TN16, Edenbridge Magazine and website</u></p> <p>How to inform the public about WTC's response to planning consultations?</p>	
13.	<p><u>Matters for District and County Councillors</u></p> <p>Covers Farm</p>	
14.	<p><u>Further Matters for Consideration at the next meeting</u></p> <p>Covers Farm application.</p>	
15.	<p><u>Date of next meeting</u></p> <p>Thursday 18th March 2021</p>	

The meeting was concluded at 10.20 am.

Minutes confirmed as a correct record:
Chairman