

WESTERHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning and Development Committee held
on Thursday 21st December 2023 at 9.30 am at Russell House,
Market Square, Westerham

Present: Councillors: Mr N Robson (NR) - Chairman
 Mr E Boyle (EB)
 Mrs D Coen (DC)
 Dr S Kay (SK)

Town Clerk: Mrs A Howells (AH)

Item		Action
1.	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u> Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Bird and Rodgers – personal commitments.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest not previously declared</u> Cllr Coen - SE/23/02835/HOUSE & SE/23/03512/HOUSE</p>	
3.	<p><u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd November</u> Minutes from the meeting on 23rd November had been approved at Council on 4th December.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Information items arising from the minutes of the previous meeting not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda</u> None.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Planning Applications</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SE/23/03378/FUL Heights Stables, Westerham Hill, Westerham TN16 2ED Construction of 7 dwellings, with off street parking, garden areas, landscaping and private equestrian use allocated to Plot 7. WTC supports the application subject to utilities being suitable but would encourage SDC Officers to re-look at the site lines for this site as the Committee still has concerns about the safety of the road junction. <p>Cllr coen left the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SE/23/02835/HOUSE Amended application Willys at Heath South, Spout Lane, Crockham Hill TN8 6RS Creation of vehicular access and removal of gate and undergrowth. 	

	<p>Refer to SDC Officers. WTC has concerns relating to traffic safety due to the narrowness of Spout Lane.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/23/03512/HOUSE <p>Ventura, Pootings Road, Crockham Hill TN8 6SD Two storey side/rear extension and alterations to existing roof and fenestration. Remove existing gate. WTC supports the application.</p> <p>Cllr Coen re-joined the meeting.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Planning Appeals</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/23/00094/RFPLN <p>1 Westways, Westerham TN16 1TT Part double storey side and rear extension with rear dormer extension. Loft Conversion. Alterations to fenestration. Rooflights. An appeal had been made to the Secretary of State.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Planning Decisions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/23/02623/HOUSE <p>Dairy Cottage, Brasted Road, Westerham TN16 Glazed link to connect house with outbuildings. Alterations to fenestration. Rooflights. Granted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/23/02856/FUL <p>Westerham Telephone Exchange, Westways, Westerham TN16 Changes to fenestration on North and South elevations. Granted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/23/02531/HOUSE <p>1 Westways, Westerham TN16 Demolition of existing garage. Singles storey rear extension with rooflight. Granted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/23/02319/HOUSE <p>Carters Cottage, Main Road, Crockham Hill TN8 Conversion of garage to create residential annexe with solar panels and rooflights. Granted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/23/02944/FUL & SE/23/02916/LBCALT <p>3 Gate House Court, Grange Close, Westerham TN16 Erection of guard railing to form balcony area to existing flat roof. Granted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/23/02743/HOUSE <p>1 Spout Lane, Crockham Hill TN8 Proposed detached garage. Landscaping. Granted</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE/23/02551/HOUSE & SE/23/02552/LBCALT Pollards, Mapleton Road, Four Elms TN8 Demolish conservatory. Replace with new one, same dimensions, size and colour. Granted 23/02592/LDCEX 35 High Street Westerham Kent TN16 Confirmation that replacement of a front door and picture window in 2016 is lawful. Granted 23/02507/LDCPR Medhurst Pootings Road Crockham Hill Edenbridge Kent TN8 6SF Lawful Development Certificate Proposed Erection of single storey side extensions and outbuildings (incidental) to Puddings Barn (Formerly part of Medhurst). Refused 	
8.	<p><u>Planning Issues</u></p> <p>8.1 SDC Local Plan Regulation 18 Consultation – The drop-in session was held on 13th December and a number of Cllrs had attended. Cllr Robson would prepare a draft submission for the next Planning Committee.</p> <p>8.2 Tandridge District Council Draft Local Plan – No further updates.</p> <p>8.3 Covers Farm – There is a real possibility that the KCC planning committee will hear the Covers Farm proposal on 31st January. Should this be the case, the Clerk will coordinate a meeting with all the speakers during week commencing 22nd January.</p>	AH
9.	<p><u>Consultations</u></p> <p>9.1 KCC Local Flood Risk Management Strategy – to be forwarded to WTP.</p> <p>9.2 KCC eight windmills – alternative financial responsibility was noted.</p> <p>9.3 SDC Swanley Neighbourhood Plan was noted.</p> <p>9.4 TDC Tatsfield Neighbourhood Plan was noted.</p> <p>9.5 SCC Minerals – Call for sites was noted.</p>	
10.	<p><u>Reports from Councillors</u></p> <p>Cllr Kay reported that the entrance to Summer Place, Westerham Hill needed clearing as debris was starting to affect the road. Following discussion, it was agreed to contact SDC Cllrs Esler and Maskell.</p>	AH
11.	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>11.1 SDC Enforcement update was noted.</p> <p>11.2 SCC Minerals and Waste Local Plan – Publication of Waste Capacity Need Assessment was noted.</p> <p>11.3 Vanguard Way Association Newsletter – December 2023 was noted.</p> <p>11.4 SDC Street Naming – Westerham Heights was noted.</p> <p>11.5 London Green Belt Council – joint seminar with CPRE on changes to the NPPF on 4th January – Cllr Robson to attend.</p>	

12.	<u>TN16, Crockham Hill Village newsletter and website</u> None.	
13.	<u>Matters for District and County Councillors</u> Summer Place.	
14.	<u>Further Matters for Consideration at the next meeting</u> None.	
15.	<u>Date of next meeting</u> Thursday 4 th January 2024	

The meeting was concluded at 10.20 am.

Minutes confirmed as a correct record:

Chairman