

Folkestone Town Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Thursday 5th January 2017 at the Town Council Offices, The Town Hall, 1-2 Guildhall Street, Folkestone.

PRESENT: Councillors Neil Jones, Carol Sacre, Richard Theobald, Richard Wallace (in the Chair) and Roger West

OFFICERS PRESENT: Liz Timmins (Marketing and Communication Officer)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received from.

Councillors Emily Arnold, Danny Brook and Brian Copping were absent.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING 15th December 2016

The Committee was asked to receive the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 15th December 2016 and to authorise the Chairman of the Committee to sign them as a correct record.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 15th December 2016 be received and that the Chairman of the meeting be authorised to sign them as a correct record.

Proposed: Councillor Roger West

Seconded: Councillor Richard Theobald

Voting: F:5, Ag:0, Ab: 0

4. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING CONSENT, APPEALS, PLANS TO DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE AND LICENSING

Application no	Y16/1282/SH
Location	Office Block Church & Dwight UK LTD Bowles Well Gardens
Proposal	The erection of a silica silo
Comment	No objection – some of the plans refer to propose silos which is concerning. However, the silo must be practically necessary and seems far enough away from the dwellings to be of no significant effect.

Application no	Y16/1335/SH
Location	Flat 7 23 – 25 Earls Avenue
Proposal	Installation of 5 replacement UPVC windows to rear of building
Comment	Object – In the absence of any drawings or photographs, the Committee is concerned that only one flat changed may be detrimental to the whole building.

Application no	Y16/1367/SH
Location	29a Wear Bay Road
Proposal	External alterations in connection with conversion to single dwelling, including formation of front balcony, rear/side decking, and new pitched roof to garage
Comment	No objection – the Committee feels that this property is an eyesore that needs attention.
Application no	Y16/1368/SH
Location	Flat 2 13 Grimston Avenue
Proposal	Erection of a single storey rear extension following the removal of the existing rear extension
Comment	No objection
Application no	Y16/1372/SH
Location	2 Shorncliffe Crescent
Proposal	Erection of single storey front extension, use of garage as living accommodation and creation of a new vehicular access, together with erection of fence and other external alterations
Comment	No objection
	The Kent County Council (The District of Shepway) (Folkestone Town Centre and The Bayle Parking Zone) (Amendment 6) Order 2017
Comment	Support – as creating extra parking, on the assumption that the bus stop changes are acceptable to Stagecoach.
Application no	Y16/1263/SH
Location`	Basement Business Premises 2 Castle Hill Avenue
Proposal	Variation of condition 6 of planning permission Y02/0689/SH to allow open hours to be extended to 1am on a Monday, Tuesday and Sunday, 3am on a Wednesday, and 4am on a Thursday, Friday and Saturday.
Comment	Object – the Committee feels that there are too many residential occupiers in Castle Hill Avenue likely to object to allow very late opening of their premises.
Application no	Y16/1389/SH
Location	The Metropole The Leas
Proposal	Listed building consent for installation of an external wheelchair inclined stair lift and access doorway, together with platform landing to front entrance
Comment	No objection provided it is done as unobtrusively as possible.

Application no	Y16/1393/SH
Location	Radnor Park Radnor Park Road
Proposal	Formation of new play area including erection of new play equipment, surfacing and landscaping
Comment	No objection – The Chairman declared an interested as being involved in this scheme. Support as a good scheme.

Application no	Y16/1394/SH
Location	43 Foreland Avenue
Proposal	Alterations and extension to front porch together with erection of a two storey side extension incorporating loft conversion and rear dormers and single storey rear extension, following demolition of single storey side extension and garage
Comment	No objection

Application no	Y16/1404/SH
Location	24 Grimston Gardens
Proposal	Felling of one sycamore and one poplar situated within a conservation area
Comment	No objection – this seems to be making space for other trees. Therefore no objection subject to the views of the Tree Officer.

Application no	Y16/1416/SH
Location	33 Cornwallis Avenue
Proposal	Erection of first floor side and rear extension
Comment	No objection

6. **Y16/1266/SH – SOMERSET BARRACKS**
Councillor Richard Wallace to respond to Shepway District Council.
7. **DRAINAGE – DOWNS ROAD AND DOLPHINS ROAD**
8. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**
No items were put forward.
9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
Thursday 26th January 2017