

Folkestone Town Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Thursday 9 March 2017 at the Town Council Offices, The Town Hall, 1-2 Guildhall Street, Folkestone.

PRESENT: Councillors Neil Jones, Richard Theobald and Richard Wallace (in the Chair).

OFFICERS PRESENT: Toni Brenchley (Corporate Support Officer)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Arnold, Sacre and West. Councillors Danny Brook and Brian Copping were absent.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Theobald declared an interest in Planning Application Y17/0196/SH due to a relation living in the building concerned.

3. PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING 16th February 2017

The Committee was asked to receive the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 16th February 2017 and to authorise the Chairman of the Committee to sign them as a correct record once the amendments were made.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 16th February 2017 be received and that the Chairman of the meeting be authorised to sign them as a correct record.

Proposed: Councillor Richard Theobald

Seconded: Councillor Neil Jones

Voting: F:3, Ag:0, Ab: 0

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

Application no	Y17/0005/SH
Location	Flat 10 21-23 Castle Hill Avenue
Proposal	Installation of replacement UPVC windows
Comment	No objection

Application no	Y17/0069/SH
Location	36 Wear Bay Road
Proposal	Erection of single storey front and side extension with balcony at first floor
Comment	No objection

Application no	Y17/0090/SH
Location	7 Wiltie Gardens
Proposal	Certificate of existing lawful development for the change of use and conversion from a semi-detached house to four self-contained residential units
Comment	No comment
Application no	Y17/0122/SH
Location	Ground floor business premises 49 The Old High Street
Proposal	Change of use from retail (class A1) to mixed use retail/drinking establishment (class A1/A4)
Comment	No objection provided the hours specified aren't significantly altered in future.
Application no	Y17/0131/SH
Location	Santa-Maria Canterbury Road
Proposal	Erection of rear extension and construction of first floor along with the erection of a double garage
Comment	The Committee doesn't particularly like the design but has no objection provided the neighbours don't object.
Application no	Y17/0140/SH
Location	1 Ash Tree Road
Proposal	Change of use and conversion of existing building to 2 no. dwellings, together with the insertion of two rear dormer windows and other external alterations
Comment	No objection
Application no	Y17/0157/SH
Location	Sainsburys Park Farm Road
Proposal	Display of 1 internally illuminated free-standing sign, 3 non-illuminated free-standing signs, 4 internally illuminated fascia signs, 2 non-illuminated panel signs and 2 non-illuminated vinyl signs
Comment	Some concern about the proliferation of illuminated signs but no strong objection
Application no	Y17/0162/SH
Location	25 The Stade
Proposal	Installation of rear dormer window, hip-to-gable extension and erection of single storey rear extension, together with the cladding of external walls
Comment	No objection
Application no	Y17/0163/SH
Location	9 Tolsford Close
Proposal	Erection of a single storey rear extension
Comment	No objection

Application no	Y17/0178/SH
Location	Montacue Court 11-15 Westbourne Gardens
Proposal	Replacement of 4 external timber doors with double glazed UPVC doors
Comment	No objection
Application no	Y17/0188/SH
Location	49 Earls Avenue
Proposal	Works to trees situated within a conservation area comprising: T1 beech – crown reduction by reducing the height and spread by a maximum of 2.5 metres; T2 magnolia – crown reduction by reducing the height and spread by a maximum of 2 metres
Comment	The Committee is worried at the amount of crown reduction to the magnolia but has no objection if the Tree Officer approves it.
Application no	Y17/0190/SH
Location	Montacue Court 11-15 Westbourne Gardens
Proposal	Felling of an acer tree situated within a conservation area
Comment	Objection – The Committee feels that a large tree felled in a conservation area ought to be replaced by a street tree or similar nearby.
Application no	Y17/0196/SH
Location	Flat B 9 Earls Avenue
Proposal	Replacement of existing windows (mix of double glazed UPVC and timber) with streamlined double glazed UPVC windows
Comment	No objection
Application no	Y17/0204/SH
Location	Land adjoining The Patio Beach Street
Proposal	Listed building consent for the erection of new public access stair structure incorporating lift
Comment	Supports - The Committee feels this is an attractive scheme and supports it.
Application no	Y17/0218/SH
Location	27 Foreland Avenue
Proposal	Erection of a single storey rear/side extension following demolition of existing lean-to. Residential property, proposals to knock down existing lean-to to side of house and replace with larger 2.5m by 3.5m extension in its place, replacing the downstairs WC and incorporating a utility room, complying with permitted development criteria
Comment	No objection provided the neighbours do not object as they are fairly close.

Application no Y17/0241/SH
Location 10 St Marys Place Ravenlea Road
Proposal Crown reduction of a lime subject of tree preservation order no 6 or 2008
Comment This is an attractive tree but the Committee has no objection if the Tree Officer recommends the crown reduction.

Application no Y17/0251/SH
Location 21-23 Castle Hill Avenue
Proposal Felling of two sycamore trees situated within a conservation area
Comment The application is inadequate and the Committee objects to the felling of two trees without more reasoning and a condition report.

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Shepway District Council
Town & County Planning Act 1990 – Section 257
Proposed diversion of Public Footpath HF16 (part) Folkestone
Comment No objection

5. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

No items were put forward.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 30th March 2017

..... **Chairman**
30th March 2017