

South Willesborough and Newtown Community Council
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Planning and Highways Committee (PH12)
Wednesday 21st October 2020

MINUTES

In attendance:- Matthew Harris (MH Chair) David Mullan (DM) Andy Roger (AR) Eric Parkinson(EP)

Also in attendance Sarah Evans (SE) (Clerk)

54/20 Apologies for absence and approval

Apologies were received from Johnny Hunt and approved.

55/20 Declarations of pecuniary, other significant or voluntary interest

MH made a Declaration of Interest regarding Ref 57/20 e) 19/01694/AS Newtown, as he lives in very close proximity to this development and is also trying to sell his property

56/20 Agree Minutes of the last meeting (PH12-September 2020) and sign

The Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record of proceedings and signed by the Chair.

57/20 To consider responses to Planning applications: -

57/20 a) 20/01208/AS

Land rear of 105, Canterbury Road, Willesborough, Kent

Erection of a pair of semi-detached dwellings along with associated facilities.

No objections were made

57/20 b) 20/1259/AS

94 Canterbury Road, Willesborough, Ashford, Kent, TN

Erection of a residential annexe

AR gave a brief explanation of this planning application, and advised this application has been adapted after a previous application was declined. There are now no objections from any of the Neighbours. AR advised Cllr David Smith has however called this application and it has been referred to Planning Committee. The members discussed the application and found no reason for it now to be declined.

No objections were made.

EH joined the meeting late at 19:09 due to technical issues

57/20 c) 18/01467/CONA/AS

Swan Centre Turner Close Ashford KENT

Conditions 2 and 6 have been discharged on granted planning permission for removal/demolition of existing Bromley Green FC changing & social facility, and construction of replacement modular facility & clubroom and associated works.

Members noted the conditions had been discharged.

57/20 d) Ref 20/01302/AS**Ashford Designer Outlet, Kimberley Way, Ashford, Kent, TN24 OSD**

Proposed variation to Conditions 4(B) & 4(C) on planning permission 14/01402/AS to allow 09:00-23:00 permitted opening hours for newly created, newly converted and current 'food and beverage uses' and 'hot food takeaways', proposed removal of 'service of last food orders' and 'consumed by' requirements of Conditions 4(B) & 4(C) on planning permission 14/01402/AS, and consequential upgrades to Use Classes Order references in conditions to align with the TCP (Use Classes) Amendment (England) Regulations 2020.

Members weighed the benefits of later opening hours and were in agreement that it would be beneficial. However, DM advised that no public notifications had been posted. No objections were made subject to DM investigating if Public Notices needed to be put up.

57/20 e) Ref 19/01694/AS**Newtown Railway Works, Newtown Road, Ashford, Kent, TN24 OPN**

Internal and external alterations to include repair, partial demolition and alteration. Removal of non-original roof to locomotive shed and replacement with two storey extension at roof level and extensions and internal divisions to convert the building to a mix of Use Class B1/D1, residential units and internal car park. Removal of non-original roof to Engine Shed and replacement with two storey extension at roof level and alterations to convert the building to gym/restaurant and Use Class B1 floorspace. Conversion of Paint Shop building, Acetylene Store and Clock Tower to provide commercial uses.

Members noted to application had been approved and work would be commencing. DM expressed concern regarding the removal of the Asbestos on the neighbouring area from the sheds. DM expressed concern regarding the clearing of the Acetylene stores as a hazard particularly a fire risk.

Members agreed that no objections would be made subject to all proper procedures and due diligence being in place for removing the Asbestos and the Acetylene stores.

Action: SE To confirm with Planning proper procedures and due diligence is in place and report back at next planning meeting.

57/20 f) Ref 20/01365/A5**94 Gladstone Road, Willesborough, Ashford, Kent, TN24 ODD**

Demolition of rear extension and construction of part rear/part side single storey extension and loft conversion incorporating rear roof dormer.

No objections were made.

57/20 g) Ref 20/01357/AS**41 Canterbury Road, Willesborough, Ashford, Kent, TN24 OBL**

Remove existing single storey rear extension, build new single storey rear extension.

No objections were made.

57/20 h) Any other applications received before the meeting date

SE advised notification had been received that a Tree Preservation Order has been completed for 8 Oak trees in Kings Prospect.

58/20 Item referred to Committee for comment and consideration.

To consider the draft response to Government on the review of the Planning White Paper and agree.

Members discussed the previously circulated report and letter to local MP Damien Green, response written by RW and MH and thanked them for the in depth and diligent reply. Members agreed the report and MH will sign along with the letter to Damien Green

59/20 To agree the date of the next meeting as 18th November 2020 and items to be included on the agenda

MH confirmed a new Chair would need to be elected at the next meeting. All members thanked him for his service to both the Planning Committee and the Council.

Date agreed for next meeting to be 18th November 2020.

Meeting Closed at 19:37