

South Willesborough and Newtown Community Council
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Planning and Highways Committee (PH17)
Wednesday 17th February 2021

MINUTES

Due to Technical issues the meeting opened at 7:18pm

In attendance:- Johnny Hunt (JH), Paul Bohill (PB), David Mullan (DM), Andy Rogers (AR) Eric Parkinson (EP)

Also in attendance Sarah Evans (SE) (Clerk) Rob Woods (RW) (Clerk)

7/21 Apologies for absence and approval

No apologies were needed.

8/21 Declarations of pecuniary, other significant or voluntary interest

No declarations were made.

9/21 To agree Minutes of the last meeting (PH16) and sign

Having considered any comments made by full Council, the Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record of proceedings and signed by the Chair

10/21 To consider responses to Planning applications

- a) 2100173AS- Proposed 5G Mast Pole 20 Newtown Green
Resolved: Agreed unanimously to comment on the location of the mast in relation to other more feasible and less intrusive sights, to raise concerns about noise from the mast and work cabinets and to clarify that full pre planning consultation is completed including public notices but that there were no material planning objections to the development.
Actions 1) SE to update planning portal to reflect these comments. 2) SE to visit Newtown Post Office Stores and ensure owner can access planning portal and is aware of our comments.
- b) **20/00285TC 13 Canterbury Road, Ashford, Kent, TN24 8LE**
G1 (13 Canterbury Road) 4/5 Cherry Trees - to crown thin; G2 (15 Canterbury Road) 1 x Sycamore Tree raise canopy to approx 2 1/2m , Cherry Trees - to only remove overhang.
No objections
- c) 21/00118/AS Units 31, 33, 35 and 37, Arrowhead Road, Waterbrook Park, Sevington, Ashford, TN24 OFL
Provision of external storage yard, alterations to Unit B1-B4 of the SME Units and alterations to the site layout, including parking, landscaping and access
No objections
- d) Any other applications received before the meeting date.
None

11/ 21 To consider responses to Highways Item**To consider KCC notification of Disabled Parking Bay 18-20 Gladstone Road and agree.**

Resolved: By unanimous vote - No objections

12/21 To agree the future programme for Council Plan delegations (reference February Council Meeting)

- a) The task of considering the cost of, and appetite for, a Neighbourhood Plan for the SWAN area.
- b) Result depending, to then development Neighbourhood Plan for the SWAN area to by March 2022 with the aspiration to have a Neighbourhood Plan in place by March 2024.
- c) The task of undertaking street by street analysis of parking and traffic issues including an assessment of the needs of the disabled, elderly and pushchair users by end March 2022.
- d) To examine the criticisms of the current bus service provision with Stagecoach and or Quality Bus Partnership by end March 2022
- e) Establish the demand for affordable homes locally by end 2021/22
- f) Examine the options for land acquisitions and appropriate legal vehicles (eg Community Land Trust) for delivering affordable homes in the future. By end 2022/23
- g) The provision of affordable homes by end 2024/25
- h) Ongoing review and review of planning applications on monthly basis.

Members listened to a verbal report from the Clerk (RW) regarding an overview of a neighbourhood plan and the initial steps necessary to undertake the aspiration to have this in place for March 2024.

In conjunction with this verbal report Members discussed 2 previously circulated reports regarding the timings and details for the listed items a – h. Members weighed the feasibility of completing these objectives against the drafted timescales.

Resolved: Agreed by unanimous vote that:-

1 Items a and b regarding the neighbourhood plan needed longer scales of at least a year and to refer the new suggested timings back to Council.

2 To accept the draft timings and delegations for items c – h in the progress as recommended in the reports.

13/21 To agree the date of the next meeting as 17th March 2021 and items to be included on the Agenda.

Meeting date agreed as 17th March 2021 7pm

Items to be included on Agenda :- HGVS using Newtown Road and methods to alleviate this, to invite Toby Howe East Kent Highways Senior Planner to the meeting to enable discussions.

The Management of Parking on side streets in Newtown as traffic increases from work on the Film Studios, Construction sites and return of Network Rail as well as future employees' at sites as they develop and are in use.

Meeting closed at 8:15pm

Signed _____
Chair

Date _____