

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD
REMOTELY USING “ZOOM” ON 17TH FEBRUARY 2021 AT 10.00 a.m.**

Present: Cllr L Abraham (Chairman)
Cllr C Alford
Cllr S Bennett
Cllr A Oxtoby
Cllr I Ross

In attendance: Mrs J Tyrrell (Assistant Clerk)
Cllr Perry Cole

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Vince Sewell.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED: That,
the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 27th January 2021, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

10:05 Cllr Chris Alford joined the meeting.

4. Planning Applications

a) SE/21/00252/HOUSE 23, Old Downs. Erection of detached garage in front garden.

The Committee noted that no letters of representation had been received from members of the public.

RESOLVED: That,
No objection be raised in respect of application SE/21/00252/HOUSE 23, Old Downs. Erection of detached garage in front garden.

b) SE/21/0344/HOUSE 44, Wellfield. Part single, part two storey, rear and side extensions.

The Committee noted that no letters of representation had been received from members of the public.

RESOLVED: That,
No objection be raised in respect of application SE/21/0344/HOUSE 44, Wellfield. Part single, part two storey, rear and side extensions.

5. Planning Decisions

RESOLVED: That, the following planning decisions be received and noted;

Application no	Site	Description and SDC decision	HPC comment
SE/20/03507HOUSE	The Lindan, Ash Road	Single storey rear and side extensions. Loft conversion with a dormer along with internal alterations. GRANTED	No objection
SE/20/03381/HOUSE	Bramblings Residential Home, Bramblefield Close **GREEN BELT**	Change of use from C2 (ancillary carers' accommodation) to C3 and extension of existing bungalow to provide 5 no. residential units. GRANTED	No objection provided it complies with Green Belt Regulations
SE/20/03685/LDCEX	Chapel Wood Stables, Ash Road **GREEN BELT**	Storage of caravans and containers within car park area. GRANTED	An objection be raised for storage of caravans and containers within car park area as the proposal contravenes Green Belt policies in particular to the openness of the Green Belt.

10:10 Cllr Perry Cole joined the meeting.

6. Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Alford advised the Committee that he had compiled a leaflet to be distributed to all residents at the beginning of March and also written an article to be included in the March edition of the Hartley Herald.

7. Planning Enforcement Updates

Members were updated on the status of the various cases that had been raised with the Enforcement Team at Sevenoaks District Council.

8. Tree Preservation Orders

Application for consent to cut down, prune or uproot trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

a) Site: Pipers Tune, Ash Road Hartley DA3 7DZ

Ref: SE/21/00148/W5DAY

Development: T2 and T3 are dead and becoming a danger to Ash Road – remove these trees.

Members noted that this application has been received by Sevenoaks District Council to carry out operations described above and subsequently ***an objection lodged***.

As there is no statutory requirement to publicise this application, this is for information purposes only.

b) Site: The Croft, Ash Road Hartley DA3 8EL

Ref: SE/21/00348/WTPO

Development: T1 Monterey Cypress – To remove branch stub from recent branch failure, to remove low branch with weak branch and possible hazard beam, to remove two smaller branches.

Members noted that this application has been received by Sevenoaks District Council to carry out operations described above.

As there is no statutory requirement to publicise this application, this is for information purposes only.

c) Site: Mark House, Ash Road Hartley DA3 7DZ

Ref: SE/21/00321/W5DAY

Development: T2 and T3 are dead and becoming a danger to Ash Road – remove these trees.

Members noted that this application has been received by Sevenoaks District Council to carry out operations described above and subsequently ***no objection lodged***.

As there is no statutory requirement to publicise this application, this is for information purposes only.

d) Site: Sylva, Ash Road Hartley DA3 8EL

Ref: SE/21/00351/ W5DAY
Development: Fell oak tree in back garden, half way up on the left hand side.

Members noted that this application has been received by Sevenoaks District Council to carry out operations described above.

As there is no statutory requirement to publicise this application, this is for information purposes only.

9. Planning Appeals.

SDC Ref: SE/20/01106/FUL

Site: Land north east of Bay Lodge, Ash Road, Hartley

Nature: new four bedroom bungalow.

Members noted that an appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against Sevenoaks District Council's refusal of Planning permission.

Cllr Cole asked to raise a matter with the Committee.

He had received a copy of a letter from Hextable Parish Council that they were sending to Sevenoaks District Council regarding the changes to Planning arrangements. The letter raised concerns that consultations on all applications (apart from major ones) would be online and also the introduction of a charge, per address, for a hard copy of information that can be found online.

Cllr Cole asked the Committee their views on this letter and the change to the system of distributing information to the Parishes and all Members agreed that while the current climate dictated holding meetings remotely and looking at plans online, all Members still would have opted for hard copies of plans and actual meetings given the choice. It was agreed to support the concerns raised by Hextable Parish Council in our own letter.

RESOLVED: That,
A letter is sent to Sevenoaks District Council explaining why the Parish Council would prefer to continue to receive hard copies of planning applications.

10. Date of the next meeting

Wednesday 3rd March 2021 commencing at 10.00 a.m.

The meeting closed at 10:35 a.m

Signed:
Chairman of the Planning Committee

Date:

