

Minutes of a meeting of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**
held on Monday 4th March 2024 at 6.00pm.

Present: Councillors A. Duncan, D. Chapman, S Piper, A May, M. Beach, P. Harston and Councillor K. Rye.

In attendance:
Planning Clerk Mrs Diane Cavey

0 members of the public present.

57. STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

As the Chair of the Planning Committee, I would like to make a statement for the benefit of all Councillors present at this meeting and for members of the public.

The applications before you and indeed any applications in the future must be considered on Planning merits only. It is essential that Councillors adhere to this principle and ensure that their decisions are based on the papers before you and any information provided to you during this meeting.

I must stress this is not a forum to discuss any ancillary issues relating to the planning application or indeed any other matters. Councillors must not bring up or discuss any matters not included on the agenda issued to them.

58. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

59. ABSENT
Councillor K. Manahan

60. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Councillors agreed to declare interests as and when they arose.

61. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC
No members of the public present.

62. MINUTES
a) The minutes of the Planning meeting held on the 5th February 2024 were signed by the Chairman as a true record.
Proposed by Cllr A. May and seconded by Cllr S. Piper
For: 3
Abstain: 4 (Councillors D. Chapman, M. Beach, P. Harston and K. Rye)

63. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**a) **24/0214/FH/TCA THE TRIUMPH DUNGENESS ROAD KENT**

Proposal: Works to trees in a Conservation area comprising of T1, T2, T3, T4 & T5 Leylandii Cypress – fell all trees to ground level.

Councillor A. Duncan commented the trees were very tall and are now impacting the overhead wires, especially in the wind.

Councillor S. Piper commented the trees are a windbreak and they could plant Blackthorn or Holm Oak as a replacement.

Councillor A. Duncan replied the trees are hitting the overhead wires.

Councillor S. Piper commented the trees should be looked at in case of nesting birds and the impact on the environment.

Councillor D. Chapman commented the trees are being cut down to ground level and I do not have any objections to this application.

RESOLVED: To support the proposal for application 24/0214/FH/TCA

Proposed by Cllr A. Duncan and seconded by Cllr A. May

Voting in support of the proposal

For: 7

Unanimous

b) **24/0177/FH THE GRANGE DENNES LANE LYDD KENT**

Proposal: Installation of a pool with paving slab and electrical box.

RESOLVED: To support the proposal for application 24/0177/FH

Proposed by Cllr P. Harston and seconded by Cllr K. Rye

Voting in support of the proposal

For: 7

Unanimous

64. **RE-CONSULTATION****22/1261/FH GLENTHORNE DUNGENESS ROAD DUNGENESS KENT**

Folkestone and Hythe District Council would be pleased to receive your observations on the above planning application at Glenthorne, Dungeness Road, Dungeness, Romney Marsh, TN29 9ND.

This is a re-consultation following the submission of additional details or a change in circumstance.

These are detailed below: Amended drawings and Design & Access Statement added 13.02.2024.

Councillor A. May commented the consultations held at Dungeness train station was well attended by local residents.

Councillor S. Piper commented the build is mainly clad in metal but most of the new buildings on Dungeness are clad in Cedar.

Councillor A. Duncan replied the buildings may be clad in Cedar but are painted black or white.

Councillor S. Piper said I will vote against.

Councillor A. Duncan commented the presentation incorporated the history of the building and noted that the carriage is of the same height and would be restored, the other building is a little higher.

Councillor S. Piper replied a lot higher.

Councillor M. Beach commented the nice thing about Dungeness is the mixture of styles that fit into the environment.

Councillor D Chapman said look at the comments on the website and you will read that most residents welcome the restoration.

Councillor S. Piper commented we will know what the building is but will visitors.

Councillor P. Harston commented I have been inside one of the restored buildings and from the outside it does not look like a carriage but inside you can see the restored carriage.

Councillor D. Chapman said we need to vote on a planning issue not a personal issue.

Councillor A. Duncan The idea of the metal is to look weathered.

Councillor A. May said this is a way to preserve the building and fit into the environment.

RESOLVED: To support the proposal for application 22/1261/FH

Proposed by Cllr A. May and seconded by Cllr M. Beach

Voting in support of the proposal

For: 5

Against: 2 (Councillors K. Rye and S. Piper)

65. ADDITIONAL APPLICATION

a) 24/0129/FH 47 STATION ROAD LYDD KENT

Proposal: Formation of a new vehicular access onto a classified road.

Councillor A. Duncan commented the parking is very tight on this road, especially if cars are parked opposite.

Councillor K. Rye commented I feel we cannot object to a dropped kerb as it keeps cars off the road

RESOLVED: To support the proposal for application 24/0129/FH

Proposed by Cllr K. Rye and seconded by Cllr D. Chapman

Voting in support of the proposal

For: 6

Abstain: 1 (Councillor M. Beach)

The meeting closed at 6.39pm

Chairman _____

Date _____