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DRAFT MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday, 10 September 2014 at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr R Jessop - Chairman
Cllrs D Furness, J Gyngell, A Ratcliffe, M Kiloh and S Pry.

1. **Apologies for Absence** – Cllr M Howell and M Palmer.
2. **Disclosure of Interest** – None.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on 27 August 2014. Resolved: approval of the minutes was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Cllr Pry.

4. **Matters Arising from Previous Meetings**

There were no matters arising from previous meetings.

5. **Correspondence & Communications**

The Committee noted:

- The latest **list of decisions** as below:
 - RR/2014/1585/L 17 Mount Street, Add conservatory to the rear. Granted
 - RR/2014/1560/P Pipers Meadow, Chain Lane. Demolition of existing dwelling and garage. Erection of replacement dwelling and detached garage. Refusal
 - RR/2014/1563/P Fox Hole Farm, Kane Hythe Lane. Proposed agricultural building. Granted.
 - RR/2014/1570/O The Old Court House, Mount Street. Cleaning of brickwork. Certificate of Lawful Use or Development granted.
 - RR/2014/1622/P Stream House, Netherfield Hill. Proposed detached two bay garage and change of use from agricultural land to residential. Refused

6. **To Consider Planning Applications Received to Date**

RR/2014/1937/P **The Hollows, Oakhurst Road**
New porch.
No objection.

RR/2014/1964/L **Beech Farmhouse, Netherfield Hill**
Replace approved external double doors to kitchen with a single half glazed door with canopy and internal alterations.
Objection to the use of sliding doors between the Dining Room and, and between the WC and the Cloakroom as these are not complementary to an older listed property. Standard hung and hinged doors should be provided.

RR/2014/1994/P **69 North Trade Road, Sherburn**
Erection of Rear Extension, internal alterations and changes to roof to provide improved first floor accommodation; changes to parking area
No objection

RR/2014/2020/P **Old Barrack Inn, Whatlington Road**
Revision of application RR/2014/1257P to slightly relocate garage location away from existing sewer.
No objection

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RR/2014/2036/P

140 Hastings Road, Battle

Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of two pairs of semi detached dwellings.

No objection as these units have the same footprint of the approved two detached dwellings earlier approved.

RR/2014/2040/C

Battle and Langton School, Market Road

Formation of new extension to existing school building (redesign of RR/3174/CC granted 12 December 2013).

NB, This application is similar to **RR/3232/CC which was discussed at the last meeting.** The Committee raised **no objections** to the building itself noting the better external design. However, concerns were raised that improved tree landscaping should be provided along the eastern boundary, the temporary compound area should be fully re-instated as grassland and that the banking along the eastern and southern sides of the extension site should be so formed to not damage the root systems of the existing trees.

RR/2014/2090/C

**Battle Sports Centre, Claverham Community College,
North Trade Road**

Application to change condition 3 of County Council planning application RR/2958/CC to increase the hours of floodlit activity on the 3G artificial pitch to members of the local community on weekday evenings and weekends.

Whilst accepting the need for more hours of use for the residents of the area, the committee urges RDC to impose a condition requiring timers to be installed on the flood lighting to ensure that they are switched off at the end of the permitted times and cannot be interfered with by staff or players after that time. The committee also would wish that further planting is provided along the eastern boundary towards the adjacent properties of Claverham Close to ensure as little light pollution as possible escapes the MUGA and car parking areas.

RR/2014/2013/T

27 Bowmans Drive

Fell two turkey oaks numbers 1 and 2, lift crown of tree 3, coppice all hazel stools, and reduce all holly maple and hawthorn.

Objection. Tree number 3 is sufficiently distant from the house to not cause any structural damage and should not be subject to a lifted crown. Trees 1 and 2 could be trimmed back to the boundary line as these are very close to the property but the Committee did not feel that cutting down to 2ms was justified.

RR/2014/1872/P

Reeves Cottage, Kayne Hythe Road

Proposed Manage (retrospective)

No objection apart from the request that the installed lighting is removed so that no light pollution exists which is out of keeping for a rural area and that the menage is not used for commercial purposes.

7. Proposed budget for the year 2015 – 2016.

Members were asked to consider if any further recommendations to the F & GP Committee should be made. There were none.

8. Matters for information:

- The Committee are dismayed that Rother has not issued an Improvement Notice upon the owners of the Twitten leading from the High Street to the Mount Street car park and urge that they do so to this important passageway in the High Street Conservation Area and instructed the Town Clerk to write to RDC seeking their action to improve the

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safety and appearance of this facility to the residents and visitors to the town

9. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 24th September 2014

**Cllr Richard Jessop
Chairman**

