



Battle Town Council



**MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
held on Wednesday, 13 March 2013
at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr R Jessop - Chairman
Cllrs: R Bye, Mrs P Fisher, Mrs M Howell, M Palmer and Mrs S Pry.

- 1. Apologies for Absence** – Cllr Mrs M Kiloh.
- 2. Disclosure of Interest** – None.
- 3. Minutes of the previous meeting** held on 27 February 2013. Cllr Bye proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr Mrs Pry. This was agreed and they were duly signed.
- 4. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings** – None.
- 5. Correspondence & Communications**
The **enforcement cases** list was noted.

The **latest list of decisions** was noted as attached.

An appeal against refusal of permission to build a single storey 3 bedroom dwelling at Greenacres Holdings (RR/2012/1452) has been dismissed.

6. To Consider Planning Applications Received to Date

RR/2012/2279/P **Beechdown Sawmill, Solar UK Ltd, North Trade Road**

Retention of site fence.

Comments: The Committee noted the reasons for the delay in removing and replacing the site fence but were clear that it continues to be an untidy and offensive feature in the landscape, particularly in such a prominent position. They were therefore opposed to the application and wished to see implemented the boundary treatment approved as part of the planning application.

RR/2013/85/L **6B Mount Street**

Fill-in external back door within modern extension between kitchen and bathroom and installation of flue.

Comments: No objection to this.

RR/2013/104/L **66 High Street**

To replace 2 no front dormer windows and 1 no rear dormer window with new (part building regulation L1 compliant) treated timber windows.

Comments: No objection to this.

RR/2013/301/P **Adanac, Whatlington Road**

Removal of existing car port structure. Erection of two storey rear extension and rebuilding of side entrance porch.

Comments: No objection to this.

RR/2013/335/P **140 Hastings Road**

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

Comments: It appears that a mature tree may be affected by this proposal. Since it contributes to the general street scene the Committee would wish consideration to be given to

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the making of a Tree Preservation Order. More generally the Committee considered that the proposal would be an overdevelopment of the site and that, although only indicative, the general style of the buildings would not be in keeping with neighbouring properties.

RR/2013/336/P

53 Virgins Lane

Proposed extensions and alterations to roof to form 2 no new bedrooms, kitchen and lounge.

Comments: No objection to this.

RR/2013/344/P

Woodlands Farm – Woodlands Barn, Netherfield Road

Conversion of garage in block/outbuilding to form annexe to main dwelling/holiday accommodation.

Comments: The Committee's objection to similar, previous applications is based on the potential for this building to become a separate dwelling outside the development boundary. This proposal does not meet that objection.

7. Matters for Information/Future Agenda Items

Cllr Jessop confirmed that **lack of gritting** during the recent bad weather will be raised at the forthcoming SLR meeting.

Cllr Mrs Fisher felt that a mature chestnut tree could be under threat if application **RR/2013/245** is approved and that, to secure its long term protection, Rother should be asked to consider making a Tree Preservation Order.

Cllr Mrs Fisher also asked that the precise line of the **conservation area boundary** be established where it adjoins the frontage of **Rue de Bayeux**.

8. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 27 March 2013

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Cllr Jessop
Chairman

