



Battle Town Council



Minutes of the **PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE** held on
TUESDAY, 11 DECEMBER 2018 at 6.30pm at The Almonry, High Street, Battle

Present: Cllrs J Gyngell (Chairman), A Brown, C Davies, G Favell, M Howell and A Russell.

In attendance: B Marks (Footpaths Advisor), C Harris (Town Clerk).

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Cllrs D Furness and A Ratcliffe.
- 2. Disclosure of Interest:** None.
- 3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 13 November 2018** were approved and duly signed by Cllr Gyngell.
- 4. Clerk's report**
 - East Sussex County Council had agreed in principle to a **Permissive Path at Mansers Shaw** between FP82 and FP87. This is subject to a safety audit which they will undertake shortly.
 - A response had been received from Rother District Council in relation to the **Blackfriars development and a step free access at Battle Railway Station**. This highlighted that an understanding for step free access is accepted by RDC but is for Southeastern to take forward. Mr Marks confirmed that Battle has been included in the 22 stations submitted to the Department of Transport for funding approval. Members thanked Bev Marks for his continued work on this.

Correspondence & communications

Members noted:

- Updated enforcement list as at **3 December 2018**
- Notification of road closure on **28 January 2019** from **9:30 to 15:30** of **C96 – Netherfield Road** from junction with P6950 Beech Farm Lane to U6625 Wattles Wish to allow **BT Openreach** to carry out cabling works
- Notification of **Tree Preservation Order TPO374. Land at Chain Lane, Battle**
- Decisions received:**
 - GRANTED**
 - RR/2018/2661/P Kelklands, Chain Lane, Battle**
New roof and replacement front elevation with internal insulation
 - RR/2018/2302/P Campfield, Powdermill Lane, Battle**
Oak framed garage with garden machinery store and loft space
 - RR/2018/2309/P 2 Hillcrest, Netherfield Road, Battle**
Variation of conditions 2,3 & 4 or RR/2017/1609/P for internal alterations, new party wall and variation to rooflights.
 - REFUSED**
 - RR/2018/2236/P 45 Darvel Down, Netherfield, Battle**
Proposed house to be attached on the side of 45 Darvel Down. Demolition of existing garage and side extension to facilitate. Parking area for new & existing house.
 - RR/2018/2345/P Marley Farm, Marley Lane, Battle**
Conversion of barn to dwelling
 - RR/2018/2479/P The Hammonds, Telham Lane, Battle**
Removal of condition 10 imposed on RR/2014/263/P to allow building to be used as a permanent residence.

Notification of consultation on the submission of [Crowhurst Neighbourhood Plan 2018-2028](#) was noted.

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5. Neighbourhood Plan Group

Draft minutes had been circulated for information. These will be circulated once agreed by the Steering Group. Cllr Russell reported that great progress is now being made, including the Statutory Environmental Assessment available by the end of the week. It was highlighted that there is a proposed reduction in number of units at Blackfriars to 220 and no plans for a primary school; Battle & Langton is considered sufficient for the Battle area.

6. Footpath matters

Mr Marks reported that Ramblers funding of £350 had been agreed to change the stile at FP96, at Powdermill Lane, to a gate. It was also hoped that bank improvements would be made.

7. Action Plan Objective 5

Members agreed this as attached.

8. [Civil Parking Enforcement consultation](#)

Members agreed that this should be completed on an individual basis and encouraged all members to complete. The Clerk reported Rye Town Council's concerns at the displacement of parking with inadequate parking facilities and suggested a joined-up approach be encouraged between RDC and ESCC. **It was agreed to recommend to Full Council that RDC be encouraged to work with ESCC on the alignment of fee paying parking provision.**

9. To consider planning applications received to date

[RR/2018/2763/P](#)

Kenwards Yard, High Street, Battle TN33 0AE

Demolition of terrace of 4 garages.

Comments: No objection to this.

[RR/2018/2784/O](#)

Ashwood House, Caldbec Hill, Battle TN33 0JY

Lawful development certificate for existing front porch, rear study extensions and summer house. Discussed by email and response submitted as no objection.

[RR/2018/2293/P](#)

31 Mount Street, Tudor House, Battle TN33 0EG

Change of use from retail premises to residential.

Comments: No objection to this.

[RR/2018/2615/P](#)

Beech Farmhouse, Beech Farm Lane, Battle TN33 0LL

Erection of tennis court.

Comments: No objection to this.

[RR/2018/2774/P](#)

Forest Lodge, Netherfield Road, Netherfield, Battle TN33 9PX

Construction of first floor flat roof extension to the side and rear of the property and conversion of attached garage.

Comments: The Committee felt that this proposal would be out of keeping with the existing and neighbouring properties and should be refused.

[RR/2018/2297/P](#)

Telham High Farm, Telham Lane, Battle TN33 0SN

Variation of condition 4 imposed on RR/2008/177/P to allow the annexe to be occupied by a family member or as a holiday let.

Comments: No objection to this.

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[RR/2018/2387/P](#)

115 North Trade Road, Beech Trees, Battle TN33 0HN

Erection of fence at front of property. (Retrospective)

Comments: Members had no objection in principle subject to plant screening in front of the fencing to soften the harsh appearance.

[RR/2018/2980/P](#) &

Lerette Cottage, Netherfield Hill, Netherfield, Battle TN33 0LA

[RR/2018/2982/L](#)

Proposed rear extension and associated amendments to the existing building.

Comments: No objection to this.

[RR/2018/3029/P](#)

Denton House, Hastings Road, Battle TN33 0TG

Proposed dwelling.

Comments: Members felt that this proposal would be overdevelopment of the site and should be refused.

10. Finance

- The budget report at 31 October 2018 was noted, as attached.

11. Matters for information / future agenda items

12. Date of next meeting: Tuesday, 8 January 2019

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.40pm.

Cllr J Gyngell
Chairman