



# Battle Town Council



## MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday, 12 August 2015 at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs R Jessop (Chairman), J Gyngell, M Kiloh and A Ratcliffe.  
**In Attendance:** Andy Beams (Town Clerk)

1. **Apologies for absence** – Cllrs D Furness and M Howell. Cllr M Palmer was absent.
2. **Disclosure of interest** – none.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting held on 29 July 2015** – these were approved and signed by Cllr Jessop.
4. **Matters arising from previous meetings** - none.
5. **Correspondence and communications**
  - Updated enforcement list as at 5 August 2015 was noted.
  - Decisions received were noted

### GRANTED

- **RR/2015/1569/P Hopcroft, Lower Lake, Battle**  
Garden retaining wall and steps to Hopcroft (part retrospective).
- **RR/2015/1049/P 49 Wellington Gardens, Battle**  
Two storey side and rear side elevations and single storey front extension.
- **RR/2015/1355/P 55 Virgins Lane, Battle**  
Front, side and rear ground floor extension and loft conversion/raise roof to provide additional accommodation.
- **RR/2015/951/P & RR/2015/952/L 43 Lower Lake – rear of, Battle**  
Replacement retaining wall and boundary fences and gates.
- **RR/2015/1361/P 59 Virgins Lane, Battle**  
Proposed extensions and alterations with new roof and improvements to driveway.
- **RR/2015/1244/L 84 High Street, The Abbey Hotel, Battle**  
Redecoration of exterior façade. Replacement of traditional signwriting and swing sign pictorial (retrospective).
- **RR/2015/1424/P Undermill, Caldbec Hill, Battle**  
Timber double garage and garden store and enlarge parking/turning area.
- **RR/2015/1417/O 6 Upper Lake, Priors Well, Battle**  
Replacement of existing secondary glazing units.
- **RR/2015/1440/P Lyndale, Marley Lane, Battle**  
Single storey extension to side, erection of detached garage.
- **RR/2015/1487/P Hopcroft and Croft Cottage, land rear of, Lower Lake, Battle**  
Variation of approved plans for pair of semi-detached houses (RR/2013/663/P) – Changes to fenestration, chimney and loft.
- **RR/2015/1548/P Millers Farm, Powdermill Lane, Battle**  
Proposed single storey extension and roof alteration.

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- **RR/2015/1637/P Orchard Cottage, Oakhurst Road, Battle**  
Two storey side extension and first floor rear extension with associated internal remodelling; and improvements to the rest of the building, including the installation of PV solar panels.
- **RR/2015/1450/P & RR/2015/1451/L 22 Upper Lake, Westnedge House, Battle**  
Demolition of existing dilapidated conservatory and erection of new replacement conservatory.

## REFUSED

- **RR/2015/1430/L Pyke House, Upper Lake, Battle**  
Erection of signage.
- **RR/2015/1419/P Land north of 17-19 Virgins Lane, Battle**  
Erection of earth sheltered (underground) house.

## 6. To consider planning applications received to date.

### RR/2015/1516/P North Point, Netherfield Hill, Netherfield, TN33 0LQ

Proposed porch to front elevation, single storey side extension to provide utility room.

**Comments:** No objection

## 7. Feedback from meeting with Police and Crimes Commissioner, Katy Bourne

Cllr Jessop reported that he had met with Katy Bourne and the leader and cabinet members of RDC. Katy Bourne was not able to sanction a traffic warden, but was going to pursue the idea of providing sanctionable powers for a Community Warden. The Community Warden would be controlled by the Council, rather than the police and be able to deal with more than just traffic enforcement. Cllr Jessop also reported he had contacted Brian Banks at ESCC to inform him of the proposed plans and to request action taken to ensure the existing yellow lines and signs are of a standard where they are enforceable.

## 8. Matters for information / future agenda items

Cllr Kiloh reported on the second meeting with the National Grid regarding the possible changes to the visible pylons. After initially looking at a number of options, the chosen one was to reduce the height of the pylons and slightly alter the existing route. This recommendation was to be put to a stakeholder meeting in September for a decision. It was noted that due to the limited funds available for the various sites involved, there may be insufficient to complete all the projects. English Heritage had been a strong advocate of action locally to protect the visual amenity from the Abbey.

## 9. Date of next meeting: 26 August 2015

Several Members offered their apologies in advance of the next meeting. As there were unlikely to be enough people present to represent a quorum, Members agreed Cllr Jessop would provide comments on the plans due for review, circulate for information and comments, then provide to the Town Clerk for submission. These would then be ratified at the meeting scheduled for 9<sup>th</sup> September.

Meeting closed at 7.48pm

Cllr R Jessop  
Chairman

