



# Battle Town Council



Minutes of the **PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE** held on  
**TUESDAY, 10 JULY 2018 at 7.30pm at The Almonry, High Street, Battle**

**Present:** Cllrs J Gyngell (Chairman), A Brown, C Davies, D Furness, M Howell.

**In attendance:** Bev Marks(BM) (Footpath advisor), Mrs S McAdie, C Harris (Town Clerk).

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Cllrs A Ratcliffe, A Russell and I Williams.
- 2. Disclosure of Interest:** None.
- 3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 8 May 2018** were approved and duly signed by Cllr Gyngell.

**4. Proposal for a speed limit reduction at Marley Lane**

The Chairman welcomed Suzanne McAdie to the meeting.

Mrs McAdie reported that all residents and businesses within the area between Petley Wood and the Grain Store on Marley Lane had signed a petition to reduce the speed limit from 60mph to 30mph. This has been presented to ESCC. She highlighted the increase in traffic, including coaches and lorries that use this road that has no pavements. One option was to be re-categorised as a "Village" but it was felt that the area should remain part of Battle. The Council was asked to support this proposal. Members felt that a reduction in speed for the whole length of Marley Lane should be considered. The Clerk was asked to pass Mrs McAdie's contact details to the 20's Plenty Group to encourage stronger unity.

*Mrs McAdie left the meeting at this point.*

- 5. Matters arising from previous meetings, not on this agenda – None.**

**6. Correspondence & communications**

- Updated enforcement list as at **2 July 2018** was noted.
- **Tree Preservation Orders** in respect of: **Land off Chain Lane – TP0374 & Land south of North Trade Road – TP0391** were discussed. The Clerk was asked to ascertain the process for applications and whether objections are able to be made. She was also asked to confirm whether our District Councillors are consulted prior to Orders being made.
- Notification of **The Hastings Town Centre and Bohemia Area Action Plan – Regulation 18 Consultation at [Hastings Action Plan](#)** Members agreed to consider this at the next meeting.
- **Decisions received** and noted:

**GRANTED**

**RR/2017/2228/L**      **3 Langton Close, Battle**

Insert a roof light into the existing roof

**RR/2018/910/P**      **8 Asten Fields, Battle**

Removal of decking to the rear and erection of a single storey extension and in-filling courtyard area to form dining area. Internal alterations to form shower room within existing boiler room.

**RR/2018/986/P**      **22 High Street – land at rear, Battle**

Proposed cottage style dwelling.

**RR/2018/999/P &**      **Lake Cottage, Lower Lake, Battle**

**RR/2018/1000/L**

Proposed single storey conservatory to the side, internal alterations including removal of walls and replacement windows and patio doors.

**RR/2018/1188/P**      **Caldbec Lodge, Uckham Lane, Battle**

Proposed rear extensions.

**RR/2018/1202/P**      **54-55 High Street, Battle**

Change of use of ground floor from betting office (sui generis) to A3 restaurant

**RR/2018/1265/PN3**      **80 High Street, Battle**

Notification of prior approval for change of use from A2 to A3

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## **REFUSED**

[RR/2018/953/P](#) 59 North Trade Road, Battle

Erection of wooden garage

## **APPEAL DECISIONS – DISMISSED**

[RR/2017/1229/P](#) Marley Farm, Marley Lane, Battle

Redevelopment of former farm complex to provide two detached dwellings.

[RR/2016/2722/P](#) & Land east of Darvel Down and north of Netherfield Road, Netherfield

[RR/2017/1146/P](#)

Proposed residential development including parking, access and open space

[RR/2017/1791/P](#) Green Acres, Hastings Road, Battle

New single storey three bedroom dwelling

## **CONSENT TO DISPLAY ADVERTISEMENTS**

[RR/2018/1319/A](#) 54-55 High Street, Battle

### **7. Neighbourhood Plan Group**

Cllr Howell confirmed that minutes from the recent meeting will be circulated in due course. She reported that the grant application had been successful at a reduced amount of £6930 with a further fund to be applied for when appropriate. The application for technical support had also been approved. Cllr Howell conveyed frustration at the refusal by RDC of an application in Netherfield and the notification of a TPO that appears to restrict development at North Trade Road.

### **8. Footpath matters**

Mr Marks reported improvement works to the surfacing of a section of FP38 at Lake Meadow which would prove greatly beneficial in the wet period. The Clerk was asked to pass on its thanks to the Rights of Way Team. He confirmed that quotes are awaited for surfacing hardening at areas previously identified.

### **9. Report from BLAP**

**Steps to ramp project** Mr Marks reported on a recent meeting between BLAP representatives, the Clerk and the Project Surveyor for Optivo. He confirmed that it appeared to be a positive meeting and confirmation is awaited that the transfer of land can be commenced. It is hoped that Optivo will cover their own fees. Mr Marks emphasised the significant benefit to the community of this scheme and hoped that S106 or CIL funds could be used. He plans, with BLAP consent, to request support from the Head of Planning at RDC for the former. He advised that the project could take up to 2 years to complete and would be for shared use. Mr Marks produced an expected project phases diagram for information.

### **10. To consider planning applications received to date**

#### **Revised plans:**

[RR/2018/1233/P](#) La Rona, Marley Lane, Battle, TN33 0BB

Proposed three bedroom dwelling

**Comments:** No objection to this.

[RR/2018/1200/PN3](#) Beckett House, Unit 2, Mitre Way, Battle TN33 0AS

Notification for prior approval for a proposed change of use of a building from Office Use (Class B1 (a)) to a Dwelling (Class C3).

**Comments:** No objection to this.

[RR/2018/1507/P](#) 46 Wellington Gardens, Battle, TN33 0HD

Proposed extensions to dwelling and detached garden building.

**Comments:** No objection to this.

[RR/2018/1513/P](#) The Collies, Isherwood, Battle, TN33 0EJ

Proposed two storey side extension to provide carport with bedroom over.

**Comments:** No objection to this.

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[RR/2018/1562/P](#)

**Hedgerows, Netherfield Road, Battle, TN33 0HL**

Installation of bi-fold doors to replace windows. Small roof extension above existing flat roof.

**Comments:** No objection to this.

[RR/2018/1582/P](#)

**Netherhay, Whatlington Road, Battle, TN33 0NA**

Erection of proposed cabin

**Comments:** No objection to this.

[RR/2018/1570/P](#)

**53 North Trade Road, Hartfield, Battle, TN33 0HS**

Proposed single storey extension to rear and external alterations.

**Comments:** No objection to this.

[RR/2018/1620/P](#)

**Mandalay, Battle Hill, Battle, TN33 0DA**

Erection of two bedroom one and a half storey bungalow.

**Comment:** Members felt that this proposal would be overdevelopment of the land with poor access issues and should therefore be refused.

## 11. Finance

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

## 12. Matters for information / future agenda items

- Tree Preservation Orders
- Car Park resurfacing project
- Review P&T Action Plan
- Consider response to Hastings Action Plan

## 13. Date of next meeting: Tuesday, 14 August 2018

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

**Cllr G Gyngell  
Chairman**