



Battle Town Council



MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday, 9 March 2016 at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs J Gyngell (Vice-Chairman), D Furness, M Kiloh and A Ratcliffe
In Attendance: Andy Beams (Town Clerk), 1 member of the public

- 1. Apologies for absence** – received from Cllrs M Howell, R Jessop and M Palmer.
- 2. Disclosure of interest** – Cllr Ratcliffe declared a personal interest in application RR/2016/536/P as the applicant is known to him.
- 3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 24 February 2016** – these were approved and signed by Cllr Gyngell.
- 4. Correspondence and communications**
 - Updated enforcement list as at 29 February 2016 was noted.
 - Members were made aware of the correspondence from Millwood Designer Homes Ltd of their intention to submit outline planning permission for residential development with associated open space on land to the west of London Road.
 - Decisions received were noted.

GRANTED

- **RR/2015/2758/P Caldbeck House, Caldbeck Hill, Battle**
Conversion of outbuilding to holiday let with disabled access.
- **RR/2016/2/P 89-90 High Street – Building rear of, Battle**
Proposed new windows to ground floor and first floor west elevation of existing building to the rear of 89-90 High Street. Retention of two air conditioning units at first floor level.

APPEAL NOTIFICATION

- **Cherry Orchard, Canadia Road, Battle**
To replace an existing approved triple garage with office over with a three bedroom annex without kitchen (part retrospective).

REFUSAL OF CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL USE OR DEVELOPMENT

- **Allenswood Cottage, Telham Lane, Battle**
Rear extension.

5. To consider planning applications received

[RR/2016/382/P](#) Thatched Cottage, Whatlington Road, Battle, TN33 0NA

Erection of single storey extension.

Comments: No objection

[RR/2016/452/P](#) Lower Telhams Farm, Hammonds Wood, Telham Lane, Battle, TN33 0SR

Variation of conditions 2 & 5 of planning permission RR/2015/1708/P in respect of borehole plant room and water storage tank – revised building location and landscaping details.

Comments: Members object as the building lacks appeal, is unsympathetic and out of keeping within the AONB.

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[RR/2016/471/P](#) Telham High Farm, Telham Lane, Battle, TN33 0SN

Relocate house access.

Comments: No objection, but Members recommend hardstanding rather than gravel for the surface and that a drainage channel be inserted 2m back from the channel side of the road.

[RR/2016/495/P](#) 112 Hastings Road, Telham Firs Battle, TN33 0TQ

Erection of front boundary fence.

Comments: No objection

[RR/2016/515/T](#) 10 Glengorse, Battle, TN33 0TX

Remove lower branch of No.1 Beech tree.

Comments: Members object as the tree is not diseased or dangerous and the reasons given are inadequate.

[RR/2016/536/P](#) Ashlyn, Whatlington Road, Battle, TN33 0JN

Two storey side extension & first floor rear extension. Whole property to have Cedral cladding first floor & smooth rendered & painted ground floor.

Comments: No objection

[RR/2016/554/A](#) 9 High Street, Battle, TN33 0AE

Signage for ATM.

Comments: No objection

[RR/2016/555/P](#) 30 Falconers Drive, Battle, TN33 0DZ

Two storey side extension and single storey additions to front and rear.

Comments: No objection

6. Consideration of a proposal to investigate the ownership of the land adjacent to the footpath between Bowman's Drive and Mountjoy with a view to improving the footpath for better accessibility by removing the current steps.

Cllr Gyngell explained the proposal and asked the Town Clerk to give further background information. The Town Clerk explained this was a project being worked on by a member of BLAP, and that a site meeting had already taken place to look at the area in question. The Town Clerk had advised the BLAP member to obtain all the necessary information, including establishing ownership of the affected land, and then ask BLAP to submit any proposal and request for support to the Council for consideration.

RESOLVED: Members agreed that establishing ownership of the land was part of the remit of BLAP if they fully supported the project, and that it was not for the Town Clerk to get further involved at this stage.

7. Review of committee action plan including an update on discussions with ESCC Highways on footway marking issues

Due to Cllr Jessop's absence, the review of the action plan was deferred to the next meeting. Cllr Gyngell and the Town Clerk provided feedback on a meeting that had taken place with the co-ordinator of the Community Payback team, which had been extremely promising in terms of the type of work which could be completed. Further details and a decision as to how to proceed would be considered at the F & GP meeting on 15 March.

The Town Clerk was asked to chase ESCC to find out what support, in terms of provision of materials or funds, was available in the making of fingerposts which Cllr Jessop had volunteered to do.

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8. Matters for information / future agenda items

Cllr Kiloh reported she had been contacted by a resident expressing concerns over the arrangements for the 950th anniversary, and asking what provision had been made in terms of risk assessment and parking arrangements. Members agreed that risk assessment was the responsibility of the organisers of the event, but that the Council should be checking adequate arrangements had been made. The Town Clerk was asked to contact the organiser to raise the concerns, and the Council's representative to Concorde was to raise the issues at the next meeting. With regard to parking, Cllr Jessop had identified one possible site, and Members agreed this needed further discussion once any existing arrangements had been clarified with the organiser.

9. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 23 March 2016

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Cllr J Gyngell
Vice-Chairman

