Battle Town Council

MINUTES of PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
Held on Wednesday 26 February 2014 at
The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr R Jessop – Chairman
Cllrs J Gyngell, M Howell, M Kiloh and S Pry.

1.   Apologies for Absence – Cllrs R Bye, D Furness and M Palmer.

2.   Disclosure of Interest – None

3.   Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 12 February 2014. Cllr Jessop proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr Gyngell. This was agreed and they were duly signed.

4.   Matters Arising from Previous Meetings – None.

5.   Correspondence and Communications
The Committee noted:
- the latest **enforcement cases** list.
- the latest **list of decisions** as attached;
- **an appeal against the refusal for close board fencing to the right of driveway 6'6" in height/7 bays (6') long (retrospective) at Fir Tree Cottage, Netherfield Road (RR/2013/1992/P and 2234)**;
- a **temporary overnight road closure for A2100 London Road from 8-10 March** to facilitate the delivery of plant and materials for planned railway infrastructure works. Cllr Jessop reported that ESCC will be carrying out resurfacing works during road closure. Members were pleased to see this coordination of work;
- Cllr Jessop gave a **verbal report on the recent SLR meeting**. Notes will be available at the next meeting;
- the usual **road closure at Market Road, High Street and Upper Lake** for the **St George's Day Procession** on **27 April**.

The Committee discussed the application to vary condition 3 of Planning Permission **RR/2958/C** to **increase permitted hours of use and floodlighting at Battle Sports Centre, c/o Claverham Community College, North Trade Road**. Members noted that the proposed hours remain very reasonable and agreed that use of this public facility should be encouraged.

6.   To Consider Planning Applications Received to Date
Committee examined the plans and commented as follows:

RR/2013/2448/L   15 Mount Street
Works to eradicate rising damp and general damp to ground floor, first floor rear bedroom chimney breast and first floor at attic level main chimney breast.
Comments: The Committee felt that the proposed materials are not suitable for an 18th century building and therefore support a refusal of this application. Should sympathetic materials be agreed then no objection would be raised.

RR/2014/119/P   Kenwards Yard
Extensions and alterations to form 2no three storey town houses.
Comments: Committee raised no objections to this.

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RR/2014/202/P **Red Barn Mews, High Street**
Formation of additional car parking spaces to assist the existing businesses within Red Barn Mews.
Comments: Members registered concerns on the possible disruption to traffic in the High Street. However, on balance, the provision of parking was considered beneficial and the committee felt the latter outweighed the limited congestion caused. They therefore raise no objection to this.

RR/2014/263/P **Lower Telham Farm, Telham Lane**
The alteration and extension of a single storey agricultural building to create a two bedroom holiday chalet together with alterations to an existing farm access.
Comments: The Committee felt that this proposal in the AONB, with no condition to being tied to the economic use of land or being required for the management of land, should be refused. They also noted that the track will be likely to suffer from flooding in moderate rainfall.

RR/2014/340/TN **Marley Lane**
The addition of a 300mm diameter transmission dish mounted to the tower let at 23.5m.
Comments: Committee raised no objections to this application

7. **Matters for Information/Future Agenda Items** – None

8. **Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 12 March 2014.**

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Planning Application Decisions

The Town Council has been notified by Rother District Council of the following planning application decisions:

Location	Proposal	Decision
Wendover, Caldbec Hill RR/2013/2628/T	Fell two mature ash trees.	Granted X
Hilltop, Darwell Hill	Dormer to front elevation	Granted √
54 Wellington Gardens	Single storey extension	Granted X

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