



Battle Town Council



MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday 4 July 2012 at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 9.30am

Present: Cllr R Jessop - Chairman
Cllrs: Mrs P Fisher, Mrs M Howell, Mrs M Kiloh and A Mitchell.

1. Election of Vice Chairman

Cllr Mrs Fisher proposed that Cllr Mitchell be elected Vice Chairman. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs Kiloh and with no other nominations Cllr Mitchell was duly elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

2. Apologies for Absence – Cllr Mrs T Farr.

3. Disclosure of Interest – None.

4. **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on 20 June 2012. Cllr Mrs Kiloh proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr Mitchell. This was agreed and they were duly signed.

5. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings

A further discussion about **A boards** will be carried forward to the next meeting.

6. Correspondence & Communications

The updated **enforcement cases** list was noted.

The **latest list of decisions** was noted as attached.

Confirmation had been received that **Powdermill Lane** will be **closed for 2 weeks** from 9 July whilst drainage works at the Telham Lane junction are carried out.

Cllr Jessop drew attention to the **Department for Transport's consultation on Combined Thameslink, Southern and Great Northern Franchise and South Eastern Franchise**. The consultation took the form of a number of questions which had been circulated with the agenda. The committee agreed that Cllr Jessop should respond to the questions based on comments to be provided by other Committee Members.

The Clerk confirmed that he had now received full details of the **District Council's Planning Pre-application Advice Guidance** note which sets out the charges to be levied.

7. Certificate for Outstanding Building Design

Cllr Jessop had circulated a brief note proposing that the Committee should make an annual design award aimed at encouraging good design. Whilst the note proposed some criteria it suggested that the award would mainly be based upon subjective criteria. This aspect alone would have the potential for creating divided opinion and the Clerk therefore advised that, at the very least, any award should be made in the name of the Council rather than the Committee. In the circumstances, **Cllr Jessop proposed that he should put a more detailed paper to the next Council meeting to enable further debate. This was seconded by Cllr Mitchell and agreed by a majority.**

8. To Consider Planning Applications Received to Date

In approving the minutes of the meeting held on 20 June the Committee noted the comments made in relation to the planning applications made at the informal meeting on 6 June.

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- RR/2012/1159/P (Del) 18 Wellington Court, Rue de Bayeux**
Replacement of defective double glazing panels within deteriorated wooden frames with UPVC frames of like design, in conformity with similar UPVC frames of neighbouring apartments.
Comments: No objection to this.
- RR/2012/1200/P (Del) Blue Hill, North Trade Road**
Replacement shed (18' by 12') for the storage of garden equipment.
Comments: No objection to this.
- RR/2012/1201/P (Del) Ivy Cottage, Battle Hill**
Proposed first floor extension to the rear to form new bedroom. Proposed enlargement of front porch.
Comments: No objection to this.
- RR/2012/1202/P (Del) 7 Claverham Close**
Proposed extensions and alterations.
Comments: No objection to this.
- RR/2012/1215/P (Del) Campfield, Powdermill Lane**
Relocation and enlargement of riding arena.
Comments: No objection to this.
- RR/2012/1244/P (Del) 54 Darvel Down, Netherfield**
A single storey, flat roof rear extension to provide a larger kitchen and an additional bedroom.
- RR/2012/1253/P (Del) Low Chimneys, Whatlington Road**
Proposed two storey rear extension balcony and alterations to front window.
Comments: No objection to this.
- RR/2012/1286/P (Del) Stonepit Wood, London Road**
Proposed extension for benefit of disabled occupant.
Comments: No objection to this.
- RR/2012/1295/P (Del) Senlac Storage, Mitre Works, Station Approach**
Proposed change of use of part of the building to residential use which will create a mixed use of the building consisting of B8 (storage) and residential uses and ancillary office/security space. The provision of associated parking and amenity space. The re-cladding of part of the building and a proposed link element.
Comments: No objection to this.

9. Matters for Information/Future Agenda Items

It was understood that Cllr Mrs Farr's request at the meeting of 20 June for a further debate about **A boards** was prompted by the board which has now appeared outside the British shop. Cllr Mrs Fisher endorsed this concern. She also asked that the attention of the Police be drawn to the **parking of lorries and vans** in the vicinity of the Deli.

10. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 18 July 2012

The meeting closed at 10.44am.

Cllr Jessop
Chairman

