

Minutes of a meeting of the **PLANNING and DEVELOPMENT** Committee held in the Town Hall, The Broadway, Crowborough on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2011 at 7.30 pm

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Present	Councillors	Michael Cooke Philip Fermor Beverley Johnstone * George Moss Kay Moss David Shaw Andrew Steen Sandra Timms	Chairman
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In attendance                      Cllr Antony Quin      Wealden District Council

\* *Denotes non attendance*

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### **APOLOGIES**

Cllr Beverley Johnstone – personal reason

### **RESIGNATION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

To note the resignation of Cllr Sandra Timms as Vice-Chairman and elect a new Vice-Chairman

**6240 RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Andrew Steen as Vice-Chairman of the Planning and Development Committee.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Philip Fermor declared a personal interest in application WD/2011/1478/F 2 Burdett House due to this son's occupation as a fencing contractor.

Cllr Kay Moss declared a personal interest in application WD/3032/CC Grove Park School as she is employed by East Sussex County Council.

### **MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2011

**6241 RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2011 as confirmed be signed by the Chairman.

### **MATTERS ARISING**

None.

**NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- 6242 RESOLVED** that the observations on planning issues attached to these minutes be submitted to the Planning Authority for consideration.

**DECISION NOTICES****GRANTED**

WD/2010/0415/F Beech House, St Johns Road,Crowborough,TN6 1RT RA

WD/2011/0875/F The Ghyll, Sheep Plain,Crowborough,TN6 3ST RA

WD/2011/0894/F Littlebrook, The Park,Crowborough,TN6 2JY RA

WD/2011/0958/F 1 Alpha Cottages, Fermor Row, Whitehill Rd,Crowborough,TN6 1NL RA

WD/2011/0985/FA New Care Home,Beacon Road,Crowborough,TN6 1DX RA

WD/2011/0979/F Dunromin,Pilmer Road,Crowborough,TN6 2UG RA

WD/2011/0984/F 21 Rockington Way, Crowborough,TN6 2NJ RA

WD/2011/1006/F The Forge,Mount Pleasant,Crowborough,TN6 2NE RA

WD/2011/1012/F 7 Chequers Way,Crowborough,TN6 2RU RA

WD/2011/1018/F 33 Millbrook Road,Crowborough,TN6 2SB RA

WD/2011/1033/F Foxlands,51 West Beeches Road,Crowborough,TN6 2AQ RA

WD/2011/1082/OE The Knap,Fielden Road,Crowborough,TN6 1TR RR

Response to the Town Council:- The Town Council recommended approval for the previous outline application.This application is an extension of time to that consent. To respond to the comments of the Town Council. The time for the application does not expire until December 2011.The application is not a just application (F) it had the suffix FE which is full extension of time. The case officer has amended the suffix to OE which is Outlined Extension which is the correct mechanism for the application. All conditions can be re-imposed and the Council will get full details on the scheme at the reserved matters application stage.

WD/2011/1165/F 1 Quarry view, Whitehill Rd,Crowborough,TN6 1JT RA

WD/2010/2895/FA Pinewood Manor, Old Lane, St Johns, Crowborough,TN6 1RX

Response to the Town Council :- The proposal to delete condition 12 includes an alternative scheme for securing the required visibility and highway safety at the access to this care home site, with approved extension.The works, involving realigning the access within the site, would compensate for the additional traffic (40% gain) likely to emerge when the approved 11 bedroom extension is added to the care home - approved under WD/2010/0445/F. It is considered that the previous condition 12 requiring visibility splays in the current access position is not

practicable, possibly due to land ownership issues along the Old Lane frontage. the revised arrangements, within land that the applicant can fully control, should be able to secure the required standard of visibility and highway safety, without significant harm to either neighbouring

properties, or loss of landscape quality within the public realm. Condition 12 should be omitted and replaced within conditions which ensure the revised arrangements are properly developed. The Highway Authority supports this revised approach.

WD/2011/1133/F Brookfield Works, Crowborough Hill, Crowborough, TN6 2EG RA

WD/2011/1205/F Milston House, Harlequin lane, Crowborough, TN6 1HU RA

WD/2011/1251/F Fairhills, Old Lane, Crowborough, TN6 2AA RA

WD/2011/1295/F 15 Hill Close, Crowborough, TN6 1LP RA

## **LICENCE APPLICATION**

The following application for a Premises Licence was noted:

WK/201104443

Off-licence 2 London House, London Road

10am – 8pm Sunday

10am – 9pm Monday-Thursday

10am – 10pm Friday-Saturday

The hours are less the previous off-licence at the same site.

## **OTHER PLANNING MATTERS**

It was agreed to write to Wealden District Council regarding the development at the rear of Hobdens, Crowborough Hill as the plans indicated the retention of hedges which have now been removed.

It was agreed to write to the developer/Wealden District Council asking for hedge planting to be undertaken behind the advertising sign in order to allow the plants to become established before the sign is removed.

The Draft National Planning Policy Framework consultation will be considered at the meeting 26<sup>th</sup> September to allow for comments to be made before the closing date of 17<sup>th</sup> October.

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To note that the date of the next meeting is Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2011

The meeting closed at 8.43pm.

**Crowborough Town Council**  
**Planning and Development Observations 15.08.2011**

**04- 1 WD/2011/0314/FA** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Kent Precision Tooling Ltd Date Received :-04/08/2011

Location :- Units 5 & 6

Crowborough Bus Park

Park Road

TN6 2QT

Proposal : Provision of mezzanine floor to part of existing warehouse unit.

Amended mezzanine access (pedestrian) and parking details.

**Observations** : Recommends Approval

The inclusion of the disabled access is noted.

**04- 2 WD/2011/0675/FA** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Mr & Mrs A Boucier Date Received :-01/08/2011

Location :- The White House

Perrymans Farm

TN6 3SR

Proposal : Amended application 11.4.11 To extend and rationalise the accomodation at the White House

Two storey extension deleted from north elevation and replaced with catslide & dormers drawing Nos 120/10/21A, 120/10/11 B &

D & A Statement date stamped 27.7.11

**Observations** : Recommends Approval

The proposed amendment is considered to be an improvement to the design and proportion of the building.

**04- 3 WD/2011/1178/F** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Mr M Playford Date Received :-02/08/2011

Location :- The Pines

Goldsmiths Avenue

Crowborough

TN6 1RH

Proposal : Single storey side extension

**Observations** : Recommends Approval

1. The recommendations in the Arboricultural Report should be applied by condition.

2. The accuracy of the roof elevation for the existing building as shown on the plan is queried.

**04- 4 WD/2011/1397/A1A** Plot Ref :- Type :- ADV-ILL

Applicant Name :- Care UK Date Received :-25/07/2011

Location :- Heatherview

Beacon Road

Crowborough TN6 1AD

Proposal : Amended Plans Entrance Sign

Amended description and plans sign no longer proposed to be illuminated drawing Nos 0748/5/GN/002/A,A3 elevations date stamped 21.7.11

**Observations** : Recommends Approval

It is noted that the description on the drawing entitled 'Signage Revision A' refers to 'internally' and this should be amended before approval is granted.

**04- 5 WD/2011/1478/F** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Mr Andrew Douglas Date Received :-27/07/2011

Location :- 2 Burdett House

Burdett Road

Crowborough

TN6 2EY

Proposal : Alter 2 windows to doors,replace 1 window,block door from communal hall and erect 1.8m high fence to rear garden.

**Observations** : The Town Council recommends refusal

1. The fence is out of keeping with the surrounding environment.
2. The proposed alterations on the front elevation are not considered acceptable as they will offer a contrasting visual impact compared to the other half of the elevation.

There are no objections to the rear and side doors.

**04- 6 WD/2011/1593/F** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Mr & Mrs Akehurst Date Received :-25/07/2011

Location :- 21 Rockington Way Date Returned :-

Crowborough

TN6 2NJ

Proposal : Two storey extension to the side of existing dwelling.

**Observations** : The Town Council recommends refusal

1. There is a potential 'terracing' impact from the proposal to build on the boundary.
2. There does not appear to be an improvement to the previous scheme so it is expected that the District Council's objections will still apply.

**04- 7 WD/2011/1611/F** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Mr Martin Long Date Received :-25/07/2011

Location :- Land at rear of West Riseley

Melfort Road

Crowborough TN6 1QT

Proposal : Erection of one and a half storey dwelling with new access from Fielden Road

**Observations** : Recommends Approval

Whilst recommending approval, the following items are noted:

1. No sustainability measures are included.
2. Fielden Road has been included within the 'red line' on the plans detailing ownership.
3. Foul and surface drainage issues need to be resolved.

**04- 8 WD/2011/1626/F** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Paramount Homes Date Received :-25/07/2011

Location :- Land Adjacent to Bracken

Lodge

Beacon Road

Crowborough TN6 1UD

Proposal : New detached dwelling with new vehicular access

**Observations** : Recommends Approval

In view of the size of the new dwelling, it is hoped that sustainability measures can be incorporated within the proposal.

**04- 9 WD/2011/1647/F** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Mr & Mrs Tony Frank Date Received :-08/08/2011

Location :- Earlstone Cottage

Melfort Road

Crowborough TN6 1QT

Proposal : Two storey rear extension and alterations and proposed re-build of the porch area,use of the attic space,inserting a window to the north and south elevation and velux windows in the east and west roof elevations (amended to WD/2011/0692/F)

**Observations** : Recommends Approval

The Town Council has no comment.

**04- 10 WD/2011/1650/F** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Mr & Mrs Knight Date Received :-02/08/2011

Location :- White Cottage Date Returned :-

Coopers Lane

Crowborough

TN6 1SJ

Proposal : Proposed raised terrace to rear

**Observations** : The Town Council recommends refusal

No details of the boundary treatment have been included and there is concern that the height of the terrace could create over-looking/privacy issues.

**04- 11 WD/2011/1657/A** Plot Ref :- Type :- ADV

Applicant Name :- Barclays Bank Date Received :-04/08/2011

Location :- 1 High Street

Crowborough

TN6 2QA

Proposal : New Heritage Signage

**Observations** : Recommends Approval

It is noted that comments from the previous application have been incorporated and that the current proposal is more in keeping with the Conservation Area.

**04- 12 WD/2011/1681/F** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- Mr & Mrs Graham Winch Date Received :-02/08/2011

Location :- 2 Poundfield Cottages

Green Lane

Crowborough

TN6 2BT

Proposal : Proposed first floor extension

**Observations** : Recommends Approval

As the gutter appears to be extend to the neighbouring property a Certificate B may be required.

**04- 13 WD/2011/1707/FA** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL

Applicant Name :- EOS Group Ltd Date Received :-08/08/2011

Location :- Pantiles

Whitehill Road

Crowborough

TN6 JS

Proposal : Variation of condition 5 of planning permission WD/2009/0925/F - construction of 4 no one -bed and 4 no 2 bed apartments in a self contained block together with associated car parking, cycle storage and landscaping.

**Observations** : The Town Council recommends refusal

There does not appear to be any justification to change the original conditions imposed by the Planning Inspector.

**06 – ESCC WD/3032/CC**

Construction of an indoor special needs swimming pool at Grove Park School, Beeches Road, Crowborough. TN6 2AS

**Observations:** Recommends Approval

Whilst there is no objection in principle to the proposed swimming pool, it is considered that the proposed design elevation could be improved in view of the prominent position of the building.