

Planning Committee
Minutes of a Meeting held on 26th November 2009

Present: Mr Salisbury (Chairman), Mr Blanch, Mrs Revell, Mr Gregory, Mrs King
In Attendance: Mrs Jones (Clerk), Mr Gallagher

178. Public Question Time: There were no members of the public present

179. Apologies for Absence were received from Mrs Burgess and Mr Mercer

180. Declarations of Interest: There were no declarations of interest regarding any items on the agenda.

181. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting The minutes of the meeting held on 5th November 2009 were taken as read and confirmed as a true record.

182. Planning Applications

09/03376/TCA: Land At Whitemans Green (WSCC Area Highways Engineers)
Silver Maple (T2) - Lift canopy by approximately 2m and thin by 10%. Silver Maple (T3) - Lift canopy by 2-3m and thin by 10%-15%.
No objections

09/03459/TREE: Land At Tower House Close Cuckfield West Sussex
Cypress (T63) - reduce height by approximately 25% and reshape
No objections

09/02704/FUL: Rowan House Whitemans Green - Erection of new detached garage
Object. The building will be overly dominant in the area. A lower building would not impinge on the surroundings.

09/03338/LBC & 09/03349/ADV: Lloyds Pharmacy Heathfield House High Street
2 x sets of Non illuminated individual text and logo on locators
No objections

09/03360/TREE: Highbury High Street
Cypress (T5) - Lift canopy by 1.5m
No objections

09/03375/TREE: Kingsleys High Street
Horse Chestnut (T1) - trim back canopy on eastern side to previous cut points.
No objections

09/03470/FUL: 5 Stocklands Close
Single storey extension to rear elevation.
No objections

183. Planning Decisions Received from the District Council

09/02641/FUL: 53 Glebe Road Cuckfield - Single Storey Rear Extension. Install a new Front Entrance Porch along with internal alterations to form new Cloakroom
Permission: Although this proposal includes a large flat roof rear extension, it is not visible from the

streetscene and the application is therefore deemed to have an acceptable impact on the character of the house & surrounding area.

09/02732/FUL: Wisteria Cottage Broad Street - Removal of existing single glazed metal crittal window at front ground floor and replace with a box bay double glazed window to match existing. Also insert a bullseye window in the east flank wall.
Permission

09/02736/FUL: Steptoes Cottage South Street - Increase the roof height to create additional living accommodation
Refused. The proposed development would detract from the character and design of the existing dwelling and will not preserve or enhance the character of the Conservation Area

09/02884/FUL: The Talbot Inn Public House - Provision of self contained maisonnette.
Permission

09/02898/FUL & 09/02899/LBC: Vine Cottage South High Street - Proposed hardwood conservatory to the rear of the house.
Permission

09/02904/FUL: 7 Ashburnham Drive - Proposed roof windows
Permission

184. Yew Trees in Closed Churchyard

Following accidents caused by pedestrians slipping on the yew berries on the path leading to the church, Mr Gregory had spoken to the Tree Officer with regard to pruning or removing the yew trees. The Tree Officer did not consider that pruning would have any impact and, as the trees were an extremely important feature of the churchyard, permission would not be granted to fell. The groundsmen were sweeping the paths on a daily basis and putting down grit. It was considered that this year the trees had an exceptionally heavy load of berries and the situation was therefore far worse than on previous occasions. It was agreed to produce signs warning pedestrians that the paths were slippery and to look at the purchase of an anti-slip compound .

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