

The Queen's Hall High Street Cuckfield West Sussex RH17 5EL

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Planning Committee

Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.30pm on Thursday 17th February 2022

- Present: Mr S Oversby-Powell (Chairman), Mr A Burton, Mr P Ceccherini, Mrs A King, Mr A Podmore, Mr M Sheldon and Mrs J White
- In Attendance: Mr J Dickie, Mrs K Ely (Assistant Clerk), Mrs S Heynes (Clerk) and Mr A Symonds.
- Public Question Time: No members of public were present.
- PL124 To receive apologies for absence Cllrs Burton and Oversby-Powell had advised their arrival would be delayed; Cllr Sheldon chaired the meeting in Cllr Oversby-Powell's absence.
- PL125 To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of any matter on the agenda. (The disclosure must include the nature of the interest. If you become aware, during the meeting, of an interest that has not been disclosed under this item you must immediately disclose it) None.
- **PL126** To approve the minutes of the committee meeting held on 27th January 2022 The minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2022 were noted and approved.
- PL127 To note the Planning Action List Noted.
- PL128 To consider the following Planning Applications:
 - a) DM/22/0229: Riseholme, Tylers Green
 Proposed amendments to two existing access points across an existing dwelling and new build currently under construction.
 Comment: No objection.
 - b) DM/22/0361: Playground, Cuckfield Recreation Ground Tree 0541 Fagus sylvatica - Prune back eastern lateral branches away from tennis court fence by 1m.
 Comment: No objection.
 - c) DM/21/2381: Rosehill Cottage, London Road
 Construction of timber frame home office with more than 50 percent glass frontage close to high hedge at the rear of the plot. Monopitch roof with timber cladding. More than 2.5m high to the front.
 Comment: No objection.

7.40pm Mr J Dickie arrived.

Cuckfield Parish Council confirmed their eligibility to hold the General Power of Competence on 4th May 2021, all decisions made during this meeting are done so using this power.

d) DM/22/0288: 2 Mill Hall Cottages, Whitemans Green

Proposed new porch/lean-to to side of front elevation. Single storey rear extension and demolition of existing conservatory and proposed to be replaced with new single storey rear extension on footprint of conservatory. **Comment:** No objection.

7.45pm Mr A Burton arrived.

e) DM/22/0373: 17 Wheatsheaf Lane

Two storey rear/side extension to provide additional bedrooms and conversion of garage to study/bedroom. (Re-submission of previously approved DM/21/2001) **Comment:** No objection.

f) DM/21/4283: Mead Lodge, Courtmead Road Leylandii Tree – Fell. Comment: No objection.

g) To revisit planning application: DM/21/4144: Footpath On Boundary Between Cuckfield Recreation Ground And Ockenden House Ockenden Lane

Fell eight mature ash trees on footpath along boundary between Ockenden House and Cuckfield recreation ground.

Comment: Committee members were grateful for receipt of the additional documents received in support of the application; subsequently, MSDC had granted permission for the application.

7.54pm Mr S Oversby-Powell arrived.

PL129 To receive an update regarding the Public Open Space and Landscape Plans at the Bylanes/Buttinghill Drive development

Taylor Wimpey had contacted the Clerk requesting a progress update; the Clerk had continued to chase for a response from Mims Davies MP.

PL130 To receive an update regarding the proposed 'CuckSty' development to the south of Cuckfield.

An update on the proposed 'Cucksty' development would be provided at the EGM following the Planning Committee meeting.

PL131 To note any planning and/or appeal decisions received from Mid Sussex District Council

a) DM/21/4144: Footpath on boundary between Cuckfield Recreation Ground and Ockenden House

Fell eight mature ash trees on footpath along boundary between Ockenden House and Cuckfield Recreation Ground.

CPC: Object. The committee observed that these trees appeared to be within the Worsley Memorial ground boundary and would like clarification that the Knepp Estate owned the trees. There was no independent arboricultural report to provide an assessment for removal of the trees. If this was to be approved removal of these trees would change the landscape considerably. As there was no evidence of ash die back the committee objected to this application. **MSDC:** Permission granted.

b) WSCC/046/21: Orchard Lodge, Hanlye Lane

Demolition of existing conservatory and installation of single storey extension to the

rear including associated works. **CPC:** No objection. **WSCC:** Permission granted.

c) DM/21/3912: Queen's Hall, High Street

Change of use of land adjacent to Queen's Hall from private use and partial allotment garden to community use in association with Queen's Hall (F2 Local Community Use Category). CPC: No comment MSDC: Permission granted

d) DM/21/4274: Orchard House, Broad Street Ground floor rear extension. CPC: No objection MSDC: Permission granted

e) DM/21/4314: 4 Denning Place

Retrospective application for construction of domestic outbuilding, ridge height not to exceed 4.5m. CPC: No objection MSDC: Permission granted

f) DM/21/4333: The Hedges, Courtmead Road

Removal of existing pvc-U conservatory and replacement with a single storey rear extension. **CPC:** No objection **MSDC:** Permission granted

g) DM/22/0023: 5 Halleighs, Whitemans Green

Proposed loft conversion with rear box dormer (consisting of a window and a Juliette balcony to the east elevation and an opaque window to the north elevation) and 2No. rooflights to front elevation. **CPC:** No objection **MSDC:** Permission granted

PL132 To consider impacts on Neighbourhood Plan monitoring indicators and targets from MSDC decisions, and to update CPC monitoring data None.

PL133 To note items arising after the preparation of this agenda which the Chairman agrees to take as urgent. Such matters will be for noting only or deferral to a future meeting only

The Chairman spoke of a letter received from Irwin Mitchell LLP representing Mrs Flis Irving regarding the deeds to Courtmead Road and the play meadow. The Chairman will write to MSDC to seek their interpretation of the rights of access to the 'play meadow' across Courtmead Road.

Meeting Closed at 8pm

Signed _____

Next Planning Meeting:

10th March 2022