HASSOCKS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 9 February 2015 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre, Adastra Park, Hassocks.

Present; Leslie Campbell (Chairman) Bill Hatton Frank Rylance Chris Bere David Cumberland

In attendance: Sue Hatton

Clerk: Linda Baker

Also present were eleven members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence. Apologies for absence were received from Judith Foot, who was abroad, and Penny Wadsworth

2. Declarations of Interest.

The meeting was adjourned for public participation. Ian Tovey of the Protect Ham Fields Group spoke to oppose application DM/15/0266, Land Parcel at London Road, Hassocks. He raised concerns about the air quality issues, traffic, flooding and the impact on the local gap. Bob Brewer said that Stonepound was in breach of the European Directive on air pollution, and this should be taken into consideration in determining the application.

- 3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 19 January 2015. The minutes were taken as read, agreed by the meeting and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- 4. Applications.

DM/15/0114 Flat 9&10, Rose Court, North Bank Hassocks.

Removal of age restriction.

Response: recommend refusal.

This would set a precedent and there is a need to preserve some allocated accommodation for older people to meet the growing need for accommodation for the elderly.

DM/15/0266 Land Parcel at London Road, Hassocks.

Outline application for development of up to 97 homes, associated landscaping and open space.

Response: recommend refusal.

It was agreed that a response would be sent to MSDC outlining the council's reasons for refusal including concerns about air quality, traffic, flooding and the impact on the local gap. A copy of the proposed response would be circulated to members for comment.

SDNP/15/00163/FUL Oldland Cottage, Oldlands Lane, Hassocks. Removal of existing conservatory and replacement with new timber framed garden room. Response: recommend approval.

SDNP/15/00164/LIS Oldland Cottage, Oldlands Lane, Hassocks.

Removal of existing conservatory and replacement with new timber framed garden room.

Response: recommend approval.

14/04530/TCA Priest's House, 2 Lodge Lane, Hassocks.

T1-sycamore, fell.

A response was awaited from the Tree Warden.

DM/15/0385 Crossways, Belmont Lane, Hassocks.

Change of Use from ancillary sun and games room to self contained residential dwelling.

The committee was divided on a response, 2 for refusal and 2 for approval. The Chairman exercised his casting vote.

Response: recommend approval.

5. Results

The following APPROVALS were noted: 14/04588/TREE Waterside, Downs View Road, Hassocks 14/04581/HOUS 20 Hurst Road, Hassocks 14/04195/ADV Broadhill Craft Workshops, Ockley Lane, Hassocks 14/04215/FUL Land at Sandy Lane, Brighton Road, Hassocks 14/04463/HOUS 42 Silverdale, Hassocks 14/04469/HOUS East Barn, The Ham, Hurst Road, Hassocks 14/04647/TCA St Cosmas & St Damian Church, Keymer Road, Hassocks 14/04583/ADV Sainsbury's Supermarket, 22 Keymer Road, Hassocks 14/04487/TREE Downsbrook House, 2 The Minnels, Hassocks The following Certificate of Lawful Use or Development have been granted: 14/04316/LDP 81 Chestnut Drive, Hassocks 14/04451/LDP 4 Parklands Road, Hassocks The following appeal had been dismissed 14/01404/OUT Clayton Wickham Farmhouse, Belmont Lane, Hassocks

- 6. Dark Skies. A letter from the SDNP regarding dark skies was considered. It was agreed that the letter would be passed to the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group for consideration, and a reply would be sent to the SDNP supporting the initiative.
- 7. Date of Next Meeting. 2 March 2015 at 7.30 pm.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.23 pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....