

HASSOCKS PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 10 October 2016 at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre, Adastra Park, Hassocks**

Present: Cllrs Jane Baker
Leslie Campbell
Judith Foot
Bill Hatton
Sue Hatton
Nick Owens
Victoria Standfast (entered at 7.32pm)
Ian Weir

In Attendance: Tracy Bates – Acting Assistant Clerk
2 Members of the Public (entered at 7.35pm)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. There were no apologies for absence.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES

16/464 **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 September 2016 as confirmed be signed by the Chairman.

Cllr Victoria Standfast entered the room.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION. None

Two members of the Public entered the room.

The Chairman proposed to consider Items 7.1 and 7.2 first. This was agreed by the Committee.

To note correspondence from Mid Sussex District Council (MSDC) regarding Planning Proposal DM/15/0626 - Land to the Rear of Friars Oak London Road, Hassocks, West Sussex. (Appendix 1). This proposal is to be considered by District Wide Committee on Thursday 13 October and has been recommended for permission by the MSDC Planning Officer.

Cllr Ian Weir informed the Committee that he would represent Hassocks Parish Council (HPC) at the District Planning Meeting in opposition to Planning Proposal DM/15/0626. Cllr Weir circulated a draft presentation amongst Members which set out the main reasons of HPC for the recommendation of refusal of the proposal by MSDC. (Appendix 1). This had been drafted in conjunction with Cllr Nick Owens. Cllr Weir also informed Members that District Councillor Peter Martin, intended to attend the meeting and to speak in support of Hassocks Parish Council.

The presentation was considered by the Committee. Cllr Bill Hatton asked for confirmation that advice had been sought from both the Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group and Dowsett Mayhew (Hassocks Neighbourhood Plan

Consultants) on this presentation. This was confirmed. Some discussion took place as to whether this presentation should also make reference to outstanding proposal DM/15/4609 Land Parcel at London Road, Hassocks, to which HPC is also opposed for similar reasons. It was decided that this may confuse the issue and that the presentation should concentrate only on the application being considered.

Given that the Hassocks Neighbourhood Plan was so far advanced, it was agreed that approval of this site for development by MSDC would demonstrate a complete disregard for the Plan. It was felt that any decision should be withheld at least until the Hassocks Neighbourhood Plan has been examined by the Inspector. Approval of this site would, in effect, dismantle the entire Hassocks Neighbourhood Plan and a discussion took place as to whether this should be raised with MSDC. A previous attempt to do this had not been well received by MSDC, and therefore it was agreed that whilst this should be raised again, it should be done with consideration. It was felt that Cllr Peter Martin may be in a better position to make this point.

It was pointed out that the letter written by Mr Chris Tunnell, MSDC, to the Inspector of the Mid Sussex District Plan, was misleading as on page 11, paragraph 7 there is an implication the Friars Oak Fields site is listed in the Hassocks Neighbourhood Plan as a possible site for development, ref Annex A, Appendix 4 of the letter.

Cllr Leslie Campbell thanked Cllr Weir for his work in drafting this proposal and for agreeing to present it at the District Planning Meeting. Cllr Campbell informed the Committee that he would be attending the meeting in support of Hassocks Parish Council and invited other member to do so if they were able.

Cllr Weir informed the Committee that he would amend the presentation taking into account the comments made.

It was unanimously AGREED that the main points as discussed and to be presented by Cllr Weir at the District Planning Meeting on 13 October 2016 represented the response of Hassocks Parish Council to planning proposal DM/15/0626.

Cllr Nick Owens informed the Committee that he would be writing a letter to MSDC in advance of the Planning Meeting emphasising the same points as those to be made by Cllr Weir and reiterating the original reasons for recommending refusal to this proposal as submitted by Hassocks Parish Council in June 2016.

It was unanimously AGREED that Cllr Owens should write to MSDC on behalf of Hassocks Parish Council for the above purpose.

To note correspondence from Cllr Andrew MacNaughton, Mid Sussex District Council re: South Downs National Park planning. Noted.

APPLICATIONS

DM/16/3470 14 Semley Road, Hassocks, BN6 8PE. Rear Single Storey Extension. (Application for a Lawful development Certificate). Response: Noted
5DM/16/3736 Courtlands, South Bank, Hassocks BN6 8JP. Convert existing integral garage to 4th bedroom with ensuite shower room and construct a single garage to the side of the existing bungalow. (Application for a Lawful Development Certificate). Response: Noted

DM/16/3868 The Ham, 24 Hurst Road, Hassocks BN6 9NN. Erection of new split level dwelling house, with accommodation on ground and lower ground floors. Creation of replacement vehicle access into Hurst Road. This application seeks amendments to the application granted approval under ref. DM/16/2776, to include the construction of a garage over part of the already approved lower ground floor accommodation. Response: Recommend Approval

SDNP/16/04612/HOUS The Springs, Spring Lane, Clayton BN6 9PN. Retrospective application for detached timber framed carport. Response: Recommend Approval

SDNP/16/04614/FUL. Down Under, Lodge Lane, Hassocks BN6 8XP. Re-construction of single storey timber building to be used as a holiday let to support the farming enterprise at Lodge Farm. Response: Recommend Approval

Both members of the Public left the room.

DM/16/3963 18 London Road, Hassocks BN6 9NT. Proposed two storey rear extension and single storey porch. Response: Recommend Approval

DM/16/4012 14 Bonnywood Road, Hassocks BN6 8HR. Proposed extension to front of dwelling. Response: Recommend Approval

DM/16/4053 14 The Minnells, Hassocks BN6 8QW. (T1) Oak Tree – overall crown reduction of 2m. Response: Recommend Approval

DM/16/4059 New Close Farm, London Road, Hassocks BN6 9ND. Adaption of attached stables for residential use and garaging. Works have been completed for over four years with full permission. However planning conditions of application 06/000595/FUL not satisfactorily discharged. Response: Noted

DM/16/4063 New Close Farm, London Road, Hassocks, BN6 9ND. Erection of workshop building and erection of stabling as previously approved under planning application 06/00595/FUL. Response: Noted.

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RESOLVED that the observations on the planning issues above be submitted to the relevant Planning Authority for consideration.

DECISION NOTICES

The following APPLICATION WITHDRAWAL was noted:

DM/16/3395 9 Newlands Close, Hassocks, BN6 8BQ

The following APPROVALS were noted:

DM/16/3371	Clevelands, 18 Lodge Lane, Hassocks
DM/16/3042	90 Friars Oak Road, Hassocks BN6 8PY
DM/15/3309	CCHF All About Kids, Stafford House, 91 Keymer Road, Hassocks
DM/16/3137	37 The Quadrant, Hassocks BN6 8BS
DM/16/3543	21 Hurst Road, Hassocks BN6 9NJ
DM/16/3537	Chanworth, London Road, Hassocks
DM/16/3163	1 The Beacons, Hassocks BN6 8FG

The following General Permitted Development submission was noted:

DM/16/3352

2 Ann Close, Hassocks, BN6 8NB

Date of Next Meeting. Monday 31 October 2016 at 7.30pm

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm

Chairman..... Date.....