

HASSOCKS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 22 October 2018 at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre, Adastra Park, Hassocks

Attendees: Parish Councillors: Jane Baker, Judith Foot and Nick Owens.

In Attendance: Parish Clerk: Ian Cumberworth

P18/78 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Leslie Campbell, Bill Hatton, Mark Higgins and Victoria Standfast.

P18/79 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. There were no declarations of interest.

P18/80 MINUTES.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 1 October 2018 as confirmed, be signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

P18/81 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – No members of the public were present

P18/82 APPLICATIONS

[SDNP/18/04155/FUL Land to the West of The Drove, Keymer Road, Ditchling, East Sussex.](#) Erection of dwelling. Response: **RECOMMEND REFUSAL** Should be rejected on the following grounds that the proposal is contrary to the Ditching, Westmeston & Streat Neighbourhood Plan. Contrary to Hassocks Parish Councils Draft Regulation 16 plan in respect of the local gap policy and also contrary to Mid Sussex District Councils gap policy. Although the proposal should be commended for having green credentials this should not override gap policies of the respective parishes and the District Plan. We would anticipate it would also be prominently visible from the South Downs and effect the rural character of the park.

[DM/18/3814 7 Church Mead, Hassocks BN6 8BN](#) Replacement of roof to create a habitable first floor space in the form of a chalet bungalow. Also a ground floor extension to side elevation. Response: **RECOMMEND REFUSAL:** The design due its scale, form and bulk, conflicts with the character of the surrounding properties and result in an overbearing aspect contrary to Policy 8, Character and Design of the Regulation 16 Draft Hassocks Neighbourhood Plan.

[DM/18/3809 2 The Close, Hassocks BN6 8DN](#) Proposed 3 bedroom dwelling in rear garden. Response: **RECOMMEND REFUSAL**: With consideration to the structure proposed it is out of character with other properties in the area and therefore considered that the proposed application is contrary to Policy 8, Character and Design of the Regulation 16 Draft Hassocks Neighbourhood Plan.

[DM/18/4059 Westcroft, 9 Stanford Avenue, Hassocks, BN6 8JJ](#) Two Evergreen Oaks (T1) - reduce crowns by 2.5m leaving a height of 16m and width of 14m, lightly thin and crown clean (rear garden of 2 North Court). Beech (T2) - reduce crown by 2m leaving a height of 16m and width of 12m, lightly thin and crown clean. Response: Awaiting tree officer's report.

[DM/18/3932 127 Grand Avenue, Hassocks BN6 8DH](#) Proposed extension to front bungalow to provide room for disability friendly shower room. Response: **RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

1. [DM/18/3806 Land West of London Road, Hassocks](#) Retention of 6 flag poles, 1 double sided totem, 4 single/double sided signs, 2 poster frame on posts and a wrap to portray the sales cabin (Temporary for approximately 6 months) To be replaced by a permanent 6 flag poles, poster frame on the wall, stand-off lettering to the sales office, double garage fascia and single/double sided signage. - All without illumination. Response: **RECOMMEND REFUSAL** there is no justification for permanent signage to be situated on this site. Any temporary signage will be out of character with the neighbourhood; the location of the flagpoles where proposed would be unsightly and potentially be noise invasive to the neighbouring property.

[DM/18/3631 Land South of Keymer Road, Station Goods Yard, Keymer Road, Hassocks](#) Remediation works including excavation of contaminated land. Response: **RECOMMEND APPROVAL** Mid Sussex District Council may wish to ensure there is an effective site management plan to specifically deal with the flow of traffic to and from the site ensure it is effectively managed/controlled and having regard to any impact on pollution levels at Stonepound crossroads.

[DM/18/4058 41 The Quadrant, Hassocks, BN6 8BS](#) Oak – Reduce canopy by 2m. Response: Awaiting tree officers report

P18/83 **RESOLVED** that the observations on the planning issues as agreed above be submitted to the relevant Planning Authority for consideration.

P18/84 DECISION NOTICES

The following APPROVALS were noted:

DM/18/3423	10 Hurst Road, Hassocks, BN6 9NJ
DM/18/3058	Age Concern Hassocks and District Ltd, The Pauline Thaw Centre, Dale Avenue, Hassocks
DM/18/3394	Mulberry House, Sandy Lane, Hassocks
DM/18/3549	Principals House, 6 Ewarts Close, Hassocks

The following REFUSALS were noted:

DM/18/3486	14 Hurst Road, Hassocks, BN6 9NJ
DM/18/3497	Land East of Lodge Lane, at grid reference 531386 115081, Hassocks

The following Certificate of Lawful use or Development (proposed) was noted:

DM/18/3422	32 Kings Drive, Hassocks, BN6 8DZ
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The following Application for Discharge of Planning Condition was noted:

DM/18/2408	103A Keymer Road, Hassocks, BN6 8QL. Discharge of Planning Conditions Nos 3 and 4 of DM/17/2614. DISCHARGED
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The following Application Withdrawal was noted:

DM/18/3851	20 Ockley Lane, Hassocks, BN6 8BB
DM/18/3290	Lock Up Garage Northeast of Hassocks Lodge, Keymer Road, Hassocks

P18/85 CORRESPONDENCE. Mid Sussex District Council Planning Policy Update. Members were invited to note a Planning Policy Update received from Mid Sussex County Council (MSDC). Mid Sussex District Council is consulting on two the following draft planning policy documents - The Statement of Community Involvement, and Advice on the use of Planning Performance Agreements in the District. Members were invited to consider any representation to be submitted on behalf of Hassocks Parish Council. **RESOLVED** to consider these items at the next Planning Committee

P18/86 URGENT MATTERS at the discretion of the Chairman for noting and/or inclusion on a future agenda. None

P18/87 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 12 November at 7.30 pm

There being no other business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.35 pm

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