

## **Minutes of a meeting of Planning Committee B held on 12 April 2018 from 7:00p.m. to 7:40p.m.**

**Present:** Chris Hersey (Chairman)  
Dick Sweatman (Vice-Chairman)

Cherry Catharine*	Andrew MacNaughton	Robert Salisbury
Colin Holden	Pru Moore	Colin Trumble
Sue Hatton*	Howard Mundin	

\* Absent

### **1. SUBSTITUTES**

None.

### **2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr Sue Hatton and Cllr Cherry Catharine.

### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Howard Mundin declared a non-predetermination interest in DM/17/4865 - Orchard House, Roundwood Lane, Lindfield, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 1SJ as he is member of Haywards Heath Town Council and Haywards Heath Town Planning Committee who have already reviewed the application. He stated that he comes to the meeting with an open mind to consider the representations of the public speakers, Officers and Members of the Committee.

### **4. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 15 March 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### **5. APPLICATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS CONSIDERED**

DM/17/3647 - Land South West of Ascotts, Crawley Down Road, Felbridge, West Sussex, RH19 2PS

The Chairman confirmed that the application has been deferred pending the outcome of a study regarding the policies of the Neighbourhood Plans and their general conformity with the District Plan.

DM/17/4068 - Marks And Spencer, Unit LSU1, The Orchards, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 3TH

The Chairman introduced the report for the proposed siting of 3 refrigerated storage containers which would be in place from 01 November to 31 January annually. He explained that the application was brought to the committee because the application site is on Mid Sussex owned land.

Cllr Moore proposed to move to recommendation which was seconded by Cllr MacNaughton. This was approved unanimously.

## **RESOLVED**

That permission be granted subject to the conditions outlined at Appendix A and the Agenda Update Sheet.

DM/17/4865 - Orchard House, Roundwood Lane, Lindfield, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 1SJ

Andrew Horrall, Trainee Planning Officer, introduced the report and drew Member's attention to Agenda Update Sheet. He confirmed that 25° rule of thumb guidance on the loss of light from development, used to judge the effect that a proposed development will have on a neighbouring properties' light amenity, was only marginally breached to the kitchen window. This is a dual aspect room and overall it was not deemed to cause significant harm to the amenities of Swallows. The extension was not considered to breach this rule of thumb in respect of the small lounge. It was also mentioned that the design has a minimal adverse impact on the street scene due the varied housing mix on the street and that the development does not contravene policy DP26 of the newly adopted Mid Sussex District Plan.

Jeffery and Mary McLeish, local residents, spoke against the application.

Darren Rogers, applicant, and Katherine Andrews, agent of the applicant, spoke in favour of the application.

Cllr Margaret Hersey, Ward Member for Lindfield, spoke in support of the application and expressed disappointment that the Members who called-in the application could not be present to express their views. After liaising with both the neighbours and officers, she concluded that there is not a sustainable planning reason to refuse the application and asked the committee to give it due consideration.

A Member explained that she had visited the site and reviewed the scheme. She also expressed her dismay that the application had been called in and supported the officer's comments that the application is acceptable.

The Chairman noted that no Member wished to speak so moved to the recommendation to approve which was agreed unanimously.

## **RESOLVED**

That permission be approved subject to the conditions outlined at Appendix A.

EF/16/0187 - 75 High Street, East Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 3DD

The Chairman introduced the report which requested authorisation from the Members of the Committee to commence prosecution proceedings in relation to the owner of the land for failing to comply with an extant S172 Enforcement Notice. He noted that no Member wished to speak so moved to the recommendation which was agreed unanimously.

## **RESOLVED**

That the owner of the land is prosecuted for non-compliance with Section 172 Enforcement Notice, subject to the Solicitor to the Council being satisfied that there is sufficient evidence to do so.

Meeting closed at 7:40

Chairman.