

**Minutes of a meeting of Planning Committee A  
held on Thursday, 11 October 2018  
from 7.00 p.m. to 7.06 p.m.**

**Present:** Edward Matthews (Chairman)  
Dick Sweatman (Vice-Chairman)

Jonathan Ash-Edwards\*  
Colin Trumble\*

Margaret Hersey  
Gary Marsh\*  
Howard Mundin

Neville Walker  
John Wilkinson\*  
Peter Wyan

\* Absent

**Also Present:** Councillor Mockford, Councillor Coote and Councillor Webster.

**1. SUBSTITUTES**

Councillor Mockford substituted for Councillor Wilkinson. Councillor Coote substituted for Councillor Trumble.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor Trumble, Councillor Ash-Edwards, Councillor Wilkinson and Councillor Marsh.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**4. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13 September 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**5. APPLICATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS CONSIDERED**

DM/18/1762 Bell Hammer, East Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 4EF

The Chairman introduced the application for the demolition of a former sheltered housing scheme at Bell Hammer and the erection of 35 retirement living apartments for older persons (to include 31 x 1 bedroom apartments and 4 x 2 bedroom apartments). He drew Members attention to the Agenda Update Sheet which confirms the rewording of Condition 19.

The Chairman noted that there were no Members wishing to speak on this item so took Members to the recommendations on p.14 of the report, including the rewording to condition 19 as detailed in the Agenda Update Sheet. Councillor Wyan moved that

the recommendations be approved with that reworded condition 19, which was seconded by Councillor Coote, and was agreed unanimously.

## **RESOLVED**

That the following recommendations be approved:

### **Recommendation A**

It is recommended that planning permission be approved subject to the completion of a S106 Legal Agreement to secure infrastructure contributions and the conditions set in Appendix A with the amendment to condition 10 contained in the Agenda Update sheet.

### **Recommendation B**

It is recommended that if the applicants have not submitted a satisfactory signed planning obligation securing the necessary infrastructure and Ashdown Forest mitigation payments by the 11th January 2019, then it is recommended that permission be refused at the discretion of the Divisional Lead for Planning and Economy, for the following reasons:

1. 'The application fails to comply with policies DP20 and DP31 of the Mid Sussex District Plan in respect of the infrastructure required to serve the development.'
2. 'The proposal does not adequately mitigate the potential impact on the Ashdown Forest Special protection Area (SPA) and Special Area of Conservation (SAC) and would therefore be contrary to the Conservation and Habitats and Species Regulations 2010, policy DP17 of the Mid Sussex District Plan 2014-2031, policy EG16 of the Neighbourhood Plan, and Paragraph 175 of the National Planning Policy Framework.'

#### DM/18/2739 Land At The Corner Of, Lowdells Lane And Buckhurst Way, East Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 2AR

The Chairman introduced the application for a proposed 3 x 1 bedroom flats and 5 x 2 bedroom flats with associated parking with amended plans received 21/8/18 showing the removal of dormer windows to the western elevation and replacement with roof lights, and the repositioning of 1 dormer and fenestration on the gable of the eastern elevation. He drew Members attention to the information contained in the Agenda Update Sheet concerning representations received and West Sussex County Council's County Planning Officer Contributions.

The Chairman noted that there were no Members wishing to speak on this item so took Members to the recommendations on p.58 of the report. Councillor Mockford moved that the recommendations be approved, which was agreed unanimously.

## **RESOLVED**

That the following recommendations be approved:

## **Recommendation A**

It is recommended that planning permission be approved subject to the completion of a S106 Legal Agreement to secure infrastructure contributions and the conditions set in Appendix A.

## **Recommendation B**

It is recommended that if the applicants have not submitted a satisfactory signed planning obligation securing the necessary infrastructure and Ashdown Forest mitigation payments by the 11th January 2019, then it is recommended that permission be refused at the discretion of the Divisional Lead for Planning and Economy, for the following reasons:

1. 'The application fails to comply with policies DP20 and DP31 of the Mid Sussex District Plan in respect of the infrastructure required to serve the development.'
2. 'The proposal does not adequately mitigate the potential impact on the Ashdown Forest Special protection Area (SPA) and Special Area of Conservation (SAC) and would therefore be contrary to the Conservation and Habitats and Species Regulations 2010, policy DP17 of the Mid Sussex District Plan 2014-2031, policy EG16 of the Neighbourhood Plan, and Paragraph 175 of the National Planning Policy Framework.'

DM/18/2868 1 Jefferies, Horsted Keynes, Haywards Heath, West Sussex,  
RH17 7DR

The Chairman introduced the application for a proposed formation of a parking space to the front of the property with landscaping within a post and rail fence and gate. He noted that it was before the Committee as the application is on land owned by Mid Sussex District Council.

The Chairman noted that there were no Members wishing to speak on this item so the Vice-Chairman moved that the recommendation on p.98 of the report be approved, which was agreed unanimously.

## **RESOLVED**

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

### **6. URGENT BUSINESS.**

None.

### **7. QUESTIONS PERSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 10.2 DUE NOTICE OF WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN.**

None.

Meeting closed at 7.06pm.

Chairman.