

Tuesday, 25 August 2015
at 6.00 pm



Conservation Area Advisory Group

PRESENT:-

Councillor Swansborough (Chairman) and Councillors Belsey, Holt and Smart

OFFICERS:

Mrs S Leete-Groves, Specialist Advisor (Conservation)

ADVISORS:

Mr Crook, Royal Institute of British Architects
Mr Howell, Eastbourne Society

15 Minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2015.

The minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2015 were submitted and approved and the Chairman was authorised to sign them as a correct record.

16 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs) by members as required under Section 31 of the Localism Act and of other interests as required by the Code of Conduct.

Councillor Swansborough declared a personal interest in application 150569, 11 The Goffs and remained in the room but did not take part in the discussion.

17 Planning Applications for Consideration

The Specialist Advisor (Conservation) reported on planning applications for consideration in Conservation Areas. The Group's comments were set out in the schedule below.

1) 150716, LATHOM HOUSE HOTEL, 4 HOWARD SQUARE, EASTBOURNE, EAST SUSSEX, BN21 4BG

Heritage Value: Grade II Listed Building in Town Centre and Seafront Conservation Area

Proposal: Provision of a mansard roof to side extension to provide additional bedroom, blocking up of a window in side elevation and addition of moulding/string courses to front elevation.

CAAG Comments: The Group had no objections to the proposed extension in principle however objected to the use of a mansard roof, which would be out of keeping with the listed building, considered to be of high aesthetic and historic merit. It was recommended that an additional floor with a slate roof reflective of what already existed on the building be installed instead.

2) 150694, 51 UPPERTON LANE, EASTBOURNE, EAST SUSSEX, BN21 2DB

Heritage Value: Upperton Conservation Area

Proposal: Demolition of existing building and flint boundary wall. Re-building of flint wall and erection of a two storey dwelling house with parking space.

CAAG Comments: The Group raised objections to the principle of a residential property in what was historically a service lane and considered it unacceptable and out of character with the surrounding conservation area. It was felt that approval could set a precedent for further residential development and the resulting cumulative impact would negatively affect the existing character of the area. In terms of the proposal, the Group raised objections to the mass, scale and design which had little reference to the historic, architectural character and appearance of the immediate and surrounding area.

3) 150569, 11 THE GOFFS, EASTBOURNE, BN21 1HA

Heritage Value: Grade II Listed

Proposal: Retrospective application under s73a for the erection of a play house in the rear garden.

CAAG Comments: No objections raised.

(NB: Councillor Swansborough declared a personal interest in this item and remained in the room but did not take part in the discussion. It was proposed by Councillor Smart and seconded by Councillor Holt that Councillor Belsey chair the meeting whilst this application was being considered.)

4) 150795, 3 STELVIO COTTAGES, 17 BEACHY HEAD ROAD

Heritage Value: Meads Conservation Area

Proposal: Single storey extension at rear.

CAAG Comments: No objections raised.

18 New Listings

The Specialist Advisor (Conservation) advised that there were no new listings.

NOTED.

19 Dates of future meetings - All at 6.00 p.m. at the Town Hall

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as the 6 October 2015. Councillor Belsey gave his apologies for the meeting.

The meeting closed at 6.51 pm

**Councillor Swansborough
(Chairman)**