

Tuesday, 4 April 2017
at 6.00 pm



Conservation Area Advisory Group

PRESENT:-

Councillor Rodohan (Chairman) and Councillors Swansborough and Smart

OFFICERS:

Mr C Connelley, Specialist Advisor – Conversation
Mr N Holdsworth, Specialist Advisor - Planning

ADVISORS:

Mr Howell, Eastbourne Society

48 Minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2017.

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2017 were submitted and approved and the Chairman was authorised to sign them as a correct record.

49 Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were reported from Councillor Belsey and Mr Crook.

50 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.

None were declared.

51 Planning Applications for Consideration

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

1) 170221, (LBC), EASTBOURNE PIER, GRAND PARADE, EASTBOURNE, BN21 3EL

Cons Area: Town Centre and Seafront

Listing: Grade 2*

Proposal: To paint the remaining 2 domes in the middle of the Pier in Gold Colour to match the existing 13 domes. To paint the flat Roof on the entrance mall with a neutral white weather proof sealant paint.

CAAG Comments: The Group reiterated their comments made at the previous meeting on the 23 August 2016, at which they objected to any

further painting of the building, including the fish scale domes in the centre of the Pier.

**2) 170156 (PP), ST ANDREWS UNITED REFORMED CHURCH,
CORNFIELD LANE, EASTBOURNE, EAST SUSSEX, BN21 4NG**

Cons Area: n/a

Proposal: Demolition of St Andrews Church and Albury House behind retained façade to Blackwater Road. Construction of 3-4 Storey building comprising 36 residential units and 11 parking spaces accessed from Wish Road and Cornfield Lane.

CAAG Comments: The Group applauded the proposal's intention to retain the façade of the local landmark building. The demolition of Albury House was considered acceptable in the circumstances given that the façade of the church would be retained. The Group supported the principle of the proposal's modern contemporary design and considered that in terms of conservation design it would form a good relationship with the surrounding conservation area.

Mr Derek Kemp, architect for the proposal was present at the meeting to respond to any questions from the Group.

3) 170212, (PP), HYDRO HOTEL, MOUNT ROAD, EASTBOURNE, BN20 7HZ

Cons Area: Meads

Proposal: Formation of new Chilistone Ionic six column gazebo with faux lead roof and paving and removal of existing timber shed. Decorations to the natural rendered panels on the Hotel and out buildings in Dulux weathershield masonry paint - colour Sandstone.

CAAG Comments: The Group were in favour of the proposal in principle, particularly the rendering however suggested that the applicant amend the style of the gazebo to reflect the tradition of the building.

**4) 170036, (PP), CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH, LANGNEY
ROAD, EASTBOURNE, EAST SUSSEX, BN21 3EU.**

Cons Area: n/a

Listing: Grade 2

Proposal: Conversion of existing meeting rooms and hall into 10 x one bedroom flats together with the retention of the existing worship space (to be read in conjunction with Listed Building Consent ref. 170033).

CAAG Comments: The Group raised no objections to the proposal in principle and felt it would preserve the character and appearance of the building and conservation area.

Mr Derek Kemp, architect for the proposal was present at the meeting to respond to any questions from the Group.

NOTED.

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

NOTED.

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

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as the 23 May 2017.

54 Vote of Thanks.

The Group expressed their thanks and appreciation to Neil Holdsworth, Specialist Advisor (Planning) as this would be his last meeting of the Group before leaving the authority.

The meeting closed at 7.20 pm

Councillor Rodohan (Chairman)