

Planning Applications Committee 9 August 2023



Working in Partnership



Time and venue:

5:00pm in the Council Chamber, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 1UE

Membership:

Councillor Lucy Agace (Chair); Councillor Paul Keene (Deputy-Chair);

Councillors Ian Alexander, Graham Amy, Roy Clay, Becky Francomb, Christoph von Kurthy, Sean MacLeod, James Meek, Isobel Sharkey and Stella Spiteri

Quorum: 5

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Agenda

1 Minutes (Pages 5 - 8)

To confirm and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 July 2023 (attached herewith).

2 Apologies for absence/Declaration of substitute members

3 Declarations of interest

Disclosure by Councillors of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Councillor regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.

4 Urgent items

Items not on the agenda which the Chair of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances as defined in Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

5 Petitions

To receive petitions from Councillors or members of the public in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 13 (Page D10 of the Constitution).

6 Written questions from councillors

To deal with written questions from Members pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 12.3 (page D8 of the Constitution).

7 Officer update (*to follow*)

Where additional information has been received by Planning Officers subsequent to the publication of the agenda, a supplementary report will be added to this item and published on the Council's website the day before the meeting to update the main reports with any late information.

Planning applications outside the South Downs National Park

8 LW/22/0517 - Hurst Farm, Hurstwood Lane, Haywards Heath (Pages 9 - 40)

9 LW/23/0090 - Land North of High Street, Barcombe, East Sussex (Pages 41 - 74)

Planning applications within the South Downs National Park

10 SDNP/23/01760/FUL - Former Bus Station, Eastgate Street, Lewes (Pages 75 - 86)

Non-planning application related items

11 Exclusion of the public and press

To consider, under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), excluding the public and press from the meeting during the discussion of Item 12 on this agenda as there are likely to be disclosures of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 6a and 6b of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

12 Works under section 77 (8) of the Building Act (Pages 87 - 92)

Report of Head of Planning

13 Date of next meeting

To note that the next meeting of the Planning Applications Committee is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 6 September 2023, in the Council Chamber, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 1UE, commencing at 5:00pm.

General information

Planning Applications outside the South Downs National Park:

Section 2 of each report identifies policies which have a particular relevance to the application in question. Other more general policies may be of equal or greater

importance. In order to avoid unnecessary duplication general policies are not specifically identified in Section 2. The fact that a policy is not specifically referred to in this section does not mean that it has not been taken into consideration or that it is of less weight than the policies which are referred to.

Planning Applications within the South Downs National Park:

The two statutory purposes of the South Downs National Park designations are:

- To conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of their areas; and
- To promote opportunities for the public understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of their areas.

If there is a conflict between these two purposes, conservation takes precedence. There is also a duty to foster the economic and social well-being of the local community in pursuit of these purposes. Government policy relating to national parks set out in National Planning Policy Framework and Circular 20/10 is that they have the highest status of protection in relation to natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage and their conservation and enhancement must, therefore, be given great weight in development control decisions.

Information for the public

Accessibility:

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Information for Councillors

Disclosure of interests:

Members should declare their interest in a matter at the beginning of the meeting, and must advise if the interest is personal, personal and prejudicial, or is a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) and advise the nature of the interest.

If a member has a DPI or other prejudicial interest the Councillor must leave the room when the matter is being considered (unless he/she has obtained a dispensation from the Council's monitoring officer).

In the case of a DPI, if the interest is not registered (nor the subject of a pending notification) details of the nature of the interest must be reported to the meeting by the member and subsequently notified in writing to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days.

Councillor right of address:

If Members have any questions or wish to discuss aspects of any application listed on the agenda, they are requested to contact the Planning Case Officer prior to the meeting.

A member of the Council may ask the Chair of a Committee a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affect the District and which falls within the terms of reference of the Committee.

A member must give notice of the question to the Committee and Civic Services Manager in writing or by electronic mail no later than close of business on the fourth working day before the meeting at which the question is to be asked.

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