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Planning Applications Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 1UE, on 14 February 2024 at 5:00pm

Present:

Councillor Lucy Agace (Chair);

Councillors Paul Keene (Deputy-Chair), Ian Alexander, Graham Amy, Roy Clay, Becky Francomb, Charlotte Keenan (Substitute), Christoph von Kurthy, Sean MacLeod, Isobel Sharkey and Stella Spiteri

Officers in attendance:

Marc Dorfman (Senior Planning Specialist), James Emery (Principal Planner), Jennifer Norman (Committee Officer, Democratic Services), Elaine Roberts (Committee Officer), James Smith (Principal Planner) and Joanne Stone (Principal Planning Solicitor)

87 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 17 January 2024 were submitted and approved, and the Chair was authorised to sign them as an accurate record.

88 Apologies for absence/Declaration of substitute members

An apology for absence was received from Councillor James Meek. It was declared that Councillor Charlotte Keenan would be acting as Substitute for Councillor Meek the duration of the meeting.

89 Declarations of interest

There were none.

90 Urgent items

There were none.

91 Petitions

There were none.

92 Written questions from councillors

There were none.

93 Officer update

A supplementary report was circulated to the Committee the day before the meeting, updating the main reports on the agenda with any late information (a copy of which was published on the Council's website).

94 LW/23/0757 - Land at Railway Road, Newhaven

Councillor James MacCleary spoke in his capacity as the Lewes District Ward Councillor.

Resolved:

That outline planning application LW/23/0757 with all matters reserved except access; removal of all existing structures, relocation of vehicle entrances and construction of 33 self-contained flats with associated parking and cycle parking be approved, subject to a S106 Agreement, the conditions set out in the report and supplementary report and an additional condition in respect of a further traffic and transport assessment.

The Committee added two informatives in respect of vibration and sound, and the need to bring the Applicant's attention to the height of the development near the housing on the opposite side of the road.

95 LW/23/0645 - Kings Court, East Grinstead Road, North Chailey, BN8 4DH

Sarah Sheath (Agent), Mathew Barber (Occupier of premises) and Ben Ellis (Applicant) spoke for the proposal.

Resolved:

That planning application LW/23/0645 for proposed conversion and extension of existing building used as offices and 2 residential flats to provide 9 residential flats be approved, subject to the conditions set out in the report.

96 Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Planning Applications Committee was scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 13 March 2024, in the Council Chamber, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 1UE, commencing at 5:00pm.

The meeting ended at 6:12pm.

Councillor Lucy Agace (Chair)