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Planning Applications Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at the Lewes Leisure Centre, Mountfield Road, Lewes, BN7 2XG, on 7 July 2021 at 5:00pm

Present:

Councillor Sharon Davy (Chair)
Councillors Steve Saunders (Vice-Chair), Graham Amy, Roy Clay (Substitute),
Tom Jones, Christoph von Kurthy, Jim Lord (Substitute), Sylvia Lord,
Imogen Makepeace, Laurence O'Connor and Richard Turner

Officers in attendance:

Andrew Hill (Senior Specialist Advisor, Planning)
Jennifer Norman (Committee Officer, Democratic Services)
Leigh Palmer (Head of Planning First)
Elaine Roberts (Committee Officer, Democratic Services)
Joanne Stone (Solicitor, Planning)

18 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 June 2021 were submitted and approved, and the Chair was authorised to sign them as a correct record.

19 Apologies for absence/Declaration of substitute members

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Milly Manley and Nicola Papanicolaou. Councillor Roy Clay declared that he was acting as substitute for Councillor Manley for the duration of the meeting and Councillor Jim Lord declared that he was acting as substitute for Councillor Papanicolaou for the duration of the meeting.

20 Declarations of interest

For the purposes of transparency, Councillor Saunders asked that it be noted on behalf of all Members of the Committee that agenda item 9 (planning application LW/20/0701) was a Lewes District Council application.

21 Urgent items

There were no urgent items. A supplementary report, however, was circulated to the Committee prior to the start of the meeting, updating the main reports on the agenda with any late information (a copy of which was published on the Council's website).

22 Petitions

There were none.

23 Written questions from councillors

There were none.

24 LW/20/0888 - Searchlight Workshops, Claremont Road, Newhaven

Carl Goddard (Neighbour) spoke against the proposal. Nancy Astley (Agent) spoke for the proposal.

Resolved:

That planning application LW/20/0888 for demolition of two existing buildings (former workshop and kitchen) and erection of 6 no. semi-detached dwellings and 3 no. detached units, to all include hard and soft landscaping works and drop kerbs for driveway access, AMENDED DESCRIPTION - 1 x unit removed - be approved, subject to the conditions set out in the report and supplementary report. The Committee added an informative in respect of the developer discussing with neighbours means of minimising overlooking of the neighbouring properties.

25 LW/20/0609 - Former Hamsey Brickworks, South Road, South Common, South Chailey, East Sussex

Lynne Page (Neighbour) spoke against the proposal. Jon Wright (Agent) spoke for the proposal. A written representation was read aloud by the Committee Officer on behalf of Councillor Isabelle Linington, in her capacity as the Lewes District Ward Councillor.

Resolved:

That outline planning application LW/20/0609 for up to 12 custom-build homes and supporting infrastructure - all matters reserved except access - be approved, subject to a S106 agreement and the conditions set out in the report and supplementary report, and the amendment of condition 10 to include details of road access to serve all units, and an informative on the road width at entrance.

26 LW/20/0701 - Newhaven Police Station, South Road, Newhaven

Resolved:

That planning application LW/20/0701 for demolition of existing building and erection of three and four storey buildings to provide 19 x one and two-bedroom apartments and 2 x three-bedroom houses be approved, subject to a

S106 Agreement and the conditions set out in the report. The Committee added informatives in respect of parking permits, retention and re-use of the plaque, retention of the strawberry tree and consideration of using a 'green wall.'

27 LW/20/0733 - Lionville, Bishops Lane, Ringmer, BN8 5LD

A written representation was read aloud by the Committee Officer on behalf of Councillor Sean MacLeod, in his capacity as the Lewes District Ward Councillor.

Resolved:

That planning application LW/20/0733 for outline permission for demolition of existing buildings and the erection of 7 no. new dwellings, with all matters reserved except access be approved, subject to the conditions set out in the report, and if necessary subject to a S106 Agreement or Grampian Condition to secure the off-site highway works, in line with the revised officer recommendation set out in the supplementary report.

The Committee adjourned for a short comfort break prior to the consideration of the next item.

28 LW/20/0616 - 139 South Coast Road, Peacehaven, BN10 8NL

Resolved:

That planning application LW/20/0616 for demolition of existing chalet bungalow and garage and construction of a block of 5 flats with associated car parking, refuse/recycling store and bicycle store be approved, subject to the conditions set out in the report.

29 LW/20/0612 - 75 Ashurst Avenue, Saltdean, East Sussex, BN2 8DR

Written representations against the proposal were read aloud by the Committee Officer on behalf of Ann Perkins (Neighbour) and Dan Solomons (Neighbour).

Resolved:

That retrospective planning application LW/20/0612 for enlargement of decking be approved, subject to the conditions set out in the report.

30 Date of next meeting

Resolved:

That it be noted that the next meeting of the Planning Applications Committee is scheduled to commence at 5:00pm on Wednesday, 4 August 2021.

The meeting ended at 8:03pm.

Councillor Sharon Davy (Chair)