

Conservation Area Advisory Group

PRESENT:-

Councillor Shuttleworth (Chairman) and Councillors Thompson, Belsey and Cooke

Officers:

Mrs S Leete-Groves, Specialist Advisor (Conservation) Ms J Sabin, Specialist Advisor (Planning)

ADVISORS:

Mr Howell, Eastbourne Society

27 Minutes of the meeting held on 7 October 2014.

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 October 2014 were submitted and approved and the Chairman was authorised to sign them as a correct record.

28 Apologies for absence.

An apology for absence was reported from Mr Crook.

29 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.

30 Planning Applications - Decisions of the Borough Council.

The decisions of the Planning Committee on applications in Conservation Areas were reported.

NOTED.

31 Planning Applications for Consideration.

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

1) 141358 (Pre-Application) 1 NEW UPPERTON ROAD, OLD TOWN, BN21 1NW

Heritage Value: Old Town Conservation Area

Proposal: Pre-application Advice: Erection of a first floor extension over

garage, conversion of garage and replacement of garage door to window.

CAAG Comments: The Group agreed that the extension was acceptable on principle and that the replacement of the garage at ground floor level would be beneficial. Both the original and revised designs submitted by the applicant were considered by the Group and there were elements of both that were preferred although they commented that the original design was more in-keeping with the surrounding conservation area. The Group agreed that the repetition of the window detailing on the existing dwelling should be maintained. The Group discussed the corner of the extension and the roof treatment. One member of the Group suggested that the applicant look at the canted/splayed features on the buildings at 22 New Upperton Road and 1 Crown Street for guidance on how to address the corner.

2) 141379 & 141280 (Full Plans) & (Listed Building) BT TELEPHONE KIOSK ADJACENT TO THE PIER, GRAND PARADE, EASTBOURNE

Heritage Value: Grade II listed building within Town Centre and Seafront Conservation Area

Proposal: Planning Permission (ref. 141379) and Listed Building Consent (ref.141380):

Change of use of 1 no. BT telephone box (Sui Generis) located to the left of The Pier Entrance to 1 no. retail kiosk (A1).

CAAG Comments: The Group raised no objections to the proposal and from a conservation perspective were pleased that this would ensure long term use and preservation of the building.

By virtue of Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Chairman was of the opinion that the following recently received applications, which were not listed on the agenda, should be considered in order that the applications might be referred to the Planning Committee at the earliest opportunity.

3) 141413 (Listed Building) EASTBOURNE PIER, GRAND PARADE, EASTBOURNE, BN21 3EL

Heritage Value: Grade II* & Town Centre and Seafront Conservation Area Proposal: **Item 1** - Dismantling the steel super structure [Arcade] and removal from site.

Item 2 - Removal all fire-damaged cast iron furniture (balustrades, lighting columns and wind-breaks) and timber waling beam support sections, in all areas affected by the fire. Refurbish and replace where required, replacement balustrade posts and panels in steel / alloy.

Item 3 - Replace all lattice girders and deck beams, test cast iron piles for cracking or heat defects. Repair, strengthen or replace where necessary.

CAAG Comments: The Group raised no objections to the proposal.

NOTED.

32 New Listings.

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

The Group were advised that work on repairs for the Congress Theatre was still on schedule for completion by April-May 2015.

NOTED.

33 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 January 2015.

The meeting closed at 6.33 pm

Councillor Shuttleworth (Chairman)