

Tuesday, 20 February 2018  
at 6.00 pm



# Conservation Area Advisory Group

## **PRESENT:-**

Councillor Rodohan (Chairman) and Councillors Swansborough, Belsey and Smart

## **Officers:**

Chris Connelley

## **Advisors:**

Mr Howell, Eastbourne Society

### **37 Minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2018.**

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2018 were submitted and approved and the Chair was authorised to sign them as an accurate record.

### **38 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.**

There were none.

### **39 Apologies for absence.**

An apology for absence was reported from Richard Crook.

### **40 Planning Applications for Consideration.**

#### **1) 171478, (LBC), Eastbourne Station, Terminus Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 3QJ**

Cons Area: Town Centre and Seafront

Proposal: Refurbishment works at Eastbourne Station, including internal reorganisation and strip out of several spaces with the intent of transforming them into a new staff room, cash point and a new ticket office.

**CAAG Comments:** The Group welcomed the proposals, which involved no loss of historic fabric and were seen as enhancing the overall appearance of this listed building.

**2) 171394, (LBC), Eastbourne Pier, Grand Parade, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 3EL**

Cons Area: Town Centre and Seafront

Proposal: The proposal is to replace like for like 2 burnt kiosks in the middle of the Pier.

**CAAG Comments:** The group considered both Pier items together, and felt that on balance, notwithstanding the adverse effect of replicating existing buildings with uPVC inserts, the public benefit of developing the street end of the Pier in terms of economic advantage, public enjoyment, contribution to the tourist economy and longer term opportunities to redevelop the Pier inclined them to agree both proposals. Officers were asked to liaise with the Pier owner on the detail of, and materials being used for, identified works.

**3) 171398, (LBC), Eastbourne Pier, Grand Parade, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 3EL**

Cons Area: Town Centre and Seafront

Proposal: To construct 2 new Units Similar to the existing Victorian Tea Rooms in the open deck area to fall in line with the existing Character of this Grade II\* listed building

**CAAG Comments:** The group considered both Pier items together, and felt that on balance, notwithstanding the adverse effect of replicating existing buildings with uPVC inserts, the public benefit of developing the street end of the Pier in terms of economic advantage, public enjoyment, contribution to the tourist economy and longer term opportunities to redevelop the Pier inclined them to agree both proposals. Officers were asked to liaise with the Pier owner on the detail of, and materials being used for, identified works.

**4) 171473, (PP), Queens Hotel, Marine Parade, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 3DY**

Cons Area: Town Centre and Seafront

Proposal: Proposed single storey extension to front of hotel and creation of electric buggy storage area in existing carpark.

**CAAG Comments:** The Group welcomed the improved design, which it was felt better complemented the building and preserved the character and appearance of the conservation area. Mr Howell suggested that the use of a wrought-iron effect might further improve the canopy and the Specialist Advisor (Conservation) agreed to communicate this to the agent.

**5) 180113, (LBC): Gildredge House, 11 Borough Lane, Eastbourne, BN20 8BB**

Cons area: Old Town

Proposal: to form an event kitchen on the first floor with an external air intake grille and extract vent on the roof. To enact internal alterations and re-forming on manager's flat on the Second floor.

**CAAG Comments:** The group welcomed this application, which would see areas mainly used for storage recommissioned for catering and accommodation uses.

**6) PRE-APPLICATION: FIRE SCUPLTURE, SEAFRONT, EASTBOURNE, BN20 7HZ**

Cons Area: Town Centre and Seafront

Proposal: To consider a design and location for this public art installation

**CAAG Comments:** The Group was advised that the original location we considered was no longer available, and this proposal was an attempt to offer an alternative site. The Specialist Advisor (Conservation) offered to provide an update on the reason for the change of location. The group went on to consider the proposed new location, which was well-received as a design proposal and as an opportunity to regenerate the area to the east of the Pier. The water feature option was the preferred treatment.

**7) PRE-APPLICATION: MEADS VILLAGE SIGNAGE, Meads Street, EASTBOURNE**

Cons Area: Meads

Proposal: To consider a proposal for signage in this conservation area setting.

**CAAG Comments:** The Group supported the signage and asked that the Disability Involvement Group be consulted on the location and placement of the signs.

**41 New Listings**

There were none.

The meeting closed at 7.25 pm

**Councillor Rodohan (Chair)**