

Ditton Parish Council

PLANNING, HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING, HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT DITTON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2009

Committee Members Present :- Councillor R Angel
Councillor J Beadle
Councillor Mrs A Beadle
Councillor N Newman
Councillor D H Nunn
Councillor M J Porter

Also in Attendance :- Mrs N Greenaway (Administrative Assistant)

308. OPENING OF MEETING

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, the meeting was opened at 7.30pm by Cllr John Breadle.

309. APOLOGIES

Apologies were RECEIVED and ACCEPTED from Cllrs Brine, Mulcuck, Mrs Throssell and Mrs Thwaites. The previously notified reasons for absence were recorded in the absence book and ACCEPTED and APPROVED.

310. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Angel declared a personal interest in item 311 -2 Plans Received for Comment (application on behalf of KFF), as he is acquainted with the applicant.

311. PLANS RECEIVED FOR COMMENT

- 311.- 1 TM/09/01957/FL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
- Applicant Name :- Louise Thompson Date Received :- 02/10/2009
- Location :- Hyde Housing Association Date Returned :-
106 Abery Drive
Larkfield
ME20 7GD
- Proposal : Change of use - residential flat to be used as a community facility for a period of 12 months.
- Observations : RESOLVED THIS COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION.
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- 311.- 2 TM/09/02201/AT Plot Ref :- Type :- AT
- Applicant Name :- Janet Williams Date Received :- 30/09/2009
- Location :- Vacant Plot, Adjoining Site 6 Date Returned :-
Mills Road, Quarry Wood
Aylesford
ME20 7PP
- Proposal : Free standing sign.
- Observations : RESOLVED THIS COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION.

311.- 3 TM/09/02354/FL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
 Applicant Name :- Mr A Bellamy Date Received :- 01/10/2009
 Location :- 427 London Road Date Returned :-
 Ditton
 Aylesford
 ME20 6DB
 Proposal : Proposed detached garage.

Observations : RESOLVED THIS COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION.

311.- 4 TM/09/02402/RD Plot Ref :- Type :- RD
 Applicant Name :- Kent County Football Assoc. Date Received :- 02/10/2009
 Location :- Cobdown House Date Returned :-
 548 London Road
 Ditton
 ME20 6BX
 Proposal : Details pursuant to condition 3 of consent ref. TM/05/00959/FL (Erection of a two storey extension to Cobdown House and construction of two additional buildings all for use Classes B1(a) offices, B1(b) research and development, B1(c) light industry, together with associated parking) in respect of Archaeological Watching Brief.

Observations : RESOLVED THIS COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITION 3 OF THE ORIGINAL CONSENT.

311.- 5 TM/09/02473/TNCA Plot Ref :- Type :- TPO
 Applicant Name :- Mr Mark Trevett Date Received :- 06/10/2009
 Location :- The Rectory Date Returned :-
 2 The Stream
 Ditton
 ME20 6AG
 Proposal : Mature Thuja - Remove lowest scaffold branch, remove ivy undertake safety inspection and cut back tall Lawson Cypress screen.

Please note the description of the proposal has been revised to include cutting back of the tall Lawson Cypress screen.

Observations : RESOLVED THIS COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO THE TREE OFFICERS APPROVAL.

312. PLANS DEALT WITH BY T & M AREA SUB-COMMITTEE 3

The following plans dealt with by Area 3, were READ and NOTED:-

TM/09/01369/FL Relocation of boundary wall and the erection of a detached shed
 76 Scott Close GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS

TM/09/001228/FL Construction of new side and rear two storey extension
 553 London Road and low level boundary wall.
 GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS

TM/09/01868/TPOC Removal of large Cedar Tree located in front garden
 157 Woodlands Rd (TPO ref 12-02-14)

313. 'B' LISTS

The following 'B' Lists were CIRCULATED, READ and NOTED:-

09/38 - 21.09.2009; 09/39 - 28.09.2009; 09/40 - 05.10.2009;

314. KENT HIGHWAY SERVICES

(A) MY KENT HIGHWAYS ON LINE (Report on training session)

It was NOTED that the Administrative Assistant had recently attended a KHS training session for 'My Kent Highways Online'. She explained that this was a new interactive on line service for reporting faults and keeping up to date with what is happening on Kent Highways. It is hoped that this new system will make the reporting of faults and tracking them more efficient. It was also NOTED that KHS will no longer provide the Parish Spreadsheets but that they can be downloaded from the new system.

Cllr Angel asked if KHS had responded to an earlier request to alter the traffic lights at the bottom of New Road now that Bradbourne Lane was closed, as it was causing a big build up of traffic. The Administrative Assistant will follow this up with KHS.

315. CORRESPONDENCE

(A) TMBC - PLANNING ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATION - 7 WOODLANDS PARADE RE ALLEGED BREACH OF CONDITION WITH REGARD TO HOURS OF OPENING

It was NOTED that an investigation is to take place to determine if a breach of planning control has occurred at the above premises.

(B) HIGHWAYS AGENCY - HELPING YOU WITH YOUR JOURNEYS

READ and NOTED.

(C) KCC PROW - SITE MEETING RE DIVERSION OF MR108

A report of the meeting to look at the proposed diversion of public right of way MR108 in Oaken Wood was CIRCULATED and READ. The Chairman asked the Administrative Assistant to give a precis of the visit. The Administrative Assistant REPORTED that she and Cllrs Mulcuck and Mrs Throssell joined representatives from East Malling & Larkfield and Barming Parish Councils, KCC PROW Officers and Mr Gallagher and his representatives on a walk of the existing Right of Way and the proposed diversion. It was NOTED that both routes were very pleasant but very different - the existing path goes through woodland whereas the new route is much more open. It was FURTHER NOTED that the PROW Officers had advised that objections could only be made if the proposed new route was substantially less enjoyable or less convenient than the existing route.

RESOLVED this Council continues to object to the diversion of this public right of way on the grounds that the new route would be substantially less enjoyable to many users.

(D) TMBC - PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION - PROPOSALS FOR PROHIBITION OF WAITING (PARKING ACTION PLAN - PHASE 5) - DITTON

The preliminary consultation to install parking restrictions on the lower junction of Fernleigh Rise with Bell Lane was READ. Cllr Nunn said that this proposal may have been superceded by another that was mentioned in a recent edition of "Here & Now".

RESOLVED to establish if this proposal had been superceded and if the residents have been consulted before making comment at the next Full Council meeting.

316. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 8.00pm.

