

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 17TH SEPTEMBER 2007

Committee Members Present :- Councillor RGW Baker
Councillor J Beadle
Councillor Mrs A Beadle
Councillor B Cordwell
Councillor D H Nunn
Councillor Mrs A Throssell (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Mrs J Thwaites

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

254. OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting was opened by the Vice-Chair at 7.30pm.

255. APOLOGIES

Apologies were RECEIVED from Cllrs Angel, Brine, Mulcuck, Porter and Stone. The previously notified reasons for absence were ACCEPTED and APPROVED.

256. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Mrs Thwaites declared a personal interest in item 257 as she is a member of the Heritage Centre.

The Vice-Chair requested that the Committee consider an additional date sensitive item from the Heritage Centre.

RESOLVED to accede to this request.

257. DITTON HERITAGE CENTRE LTD REQUEST

A letter from Liz Day, Company Secretary of Ditton Heritage Centre Ltd, was READ and it was NOTED that in order to proceed with their grant application to WREN, they need to be underwritten for the sum of £2,200. It was FURTHER NOTED that the Heritage Centre have asked if Ditton Parish Council would be able to act as a third party funder by either agreeing an interest free loan or making a grant for £2,200.

RESOLVED to agree to make an interest free loan to the Heritage Centre at this time.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND to review the matter again to see if the loan could become a grant.

258. PLANS RECEIVED FOR COMMENT

TM/07/03219/AT
FULL

429 London Road
London Road
Ditton

Wright Mr J

Proposal : Non illuminated freestanding sign

Observations : RESOLVED THIS COUNCIL OBJECTS TO THIS APPLICATION ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE SIGN MAY OBSCURE THE VIEW OF ONCOMING TRAFFIC ALONG THE A20 TO CARS EXITING THE PREMISES.

TM/07/03240/AT
FULL

613 London Road
London Road
Ditton

Swindles Mr M

Proposal : 2no. single sided free standing display units.

Observations : RESOLVED THIS COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTION.

TM/07/03252/TNCA
TPO

65 Bradbourne Lane
Bradbourne Lane
Ditton

Mr & Mrs Tebbutt

Proposal : Remove 1 no. Pine tree.

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

TM/07/03277/FL
FULL

57 Scott Close
Scott Close
Ditton

Robinson Miss Chanelle

Proposal : Conversion of existing garage to living accommodation and erection of single storey side extension incorporating replacement garage.

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

TM/07/03316/LDE
LDCP

431 London Road
London Road
Ditton

Mr J Wright

Proposal : Lawful Development Certificate Existing: Change of use to display area for the sale of goods associated with Pinions Pet Foods.

Observations : RESOLVED THIS COUNCIL WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION BEFORE IT CAN COMMENT ON THIS APPLICATION AND WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW IF NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS TO THIS APPLICATION.

TM/07/03317/AT
LDCP

431 London Road
London Road
Ditton

Mr J Wright

Proposal : Erection of a non illuminated fascia sign.

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

TM/07/03334/RD
RD

Former Frantschach Site
New Hythe Lane
Ditton

Barratt Southern Counties

Proposal : Details of contamination validation reports for plots 125 to 129 and 212 to 219 inclusive submitted pursuant to condition 5 of planning permission TM/03/03415/FL (erection of 370 dwellings, including 30% affordable housing, with associated parking, landscaping and highways, following the demolition of the existing buildings)

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

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

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

TM/07/0261/TPOC Reduce crown of Field Maple by 25% (TPO ref. 12-6-34)
21 Cedar Close GRANTED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

TM/07/02354/FL Retention of fencing to perimeter of unit 1-3, bollards to
Units 1 to 3 footpath MR95 and knee rails (retrospective)
Access 420 GRANTED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS
New Hythe Bus. Park

TM/07/020801/TPOC One Chestnut tree to be removed from centre of garden
72 Acorn Grove GRANTED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

260. 'B' LISTS

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

07/33 - 20.08.2007; 07/34 - 28.08.2007; 07/35 - 04.09.2007;

261. AGENDA, MINUTES & NOTES FROM AREA 3 COMMITTEE

It was NOTED that there were no Agenda, Minutes or Notes available from the Area 3 Committee.

262. AGENDA & MINUTES FROM THE JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The Vice-Chair had READ these minutes and REPORTED that work is to commence on the priority bus lane on the A20 between Bell Lane and New Hythe Lane in 2008 in conjunction with new cycle lanes. It was NOTED that there were no other items relating to Ditton.

263. KENT HIGHWAY SERVICES

The Parish Issues Spreadsheet was READ and it was NOTED that most issues had now been resolved. It was FURTHER NOTED that the new signs were in place at the Ford but the Ford had been temporarily closed by Kent Highways following several instances of vehicles becoming stuck in it. The Administrative Assistant will try to find out if it is to be closed permanently. The Administrative Assistant will also advise that some of the areas of grass verge disturbed for utility works have not been reinstated to a satisfactory condition.

264. CORRESPONDENCE

(A) TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL - CYCLING STRATEGY

It was NOTED that the Tonbridge & Malling Cycling Strategy was available to READ if any member wished to do so.

(B) GOVERNMENT OFFICE FOR THE SOUTH EAST - REGIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY

It was NOTED that this document is available on the Government Office website to view for those members that are interested.

(C) HIGHWAYS AGENCY - HELPING YOU PLAN YOUR ROAD JOURNEYS FOR THE SOUTH EAST OF ENGLAND (SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2007)

READ and NOTED.

(D) WEST MALLING PARISH COUNCIL - LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR A HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING CENTRE WITHIN THE TONBRIDGE AND MALLING AREA

READ and NOTED.

265. CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 8.03pm.

Chairman
3rd October 2007