# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2015 AT 6:30PM IN COMMUNITY HOUSE, ANZAC ROOM

<u>Committee Members</u> Councillors: Mrs. R Coles (Chair) Mr. J Livings

Mr. J Harris Mr. R Robertson Ms. J Harrison-Hicks Mrs. E Simmons

Mrs. H Livings (Vice Chair)

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Mr. J Harris Mr. J Livings

Ms. J Harrison-Hicks

In Attendance Mrs. Sally Landers - Administration Officer

### **PH540 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Brian Suckling, the Chair of Peacehaven & Telscombe Football Club, was present at the meeting with regards to planning application LW/15/0144

Cllr R Coles highlighted that this was a retrospective application and requested an explanation

Brian Suckling stated the following:-

I was approached by the club's former Chair, Andrew Melbourne, to take over the Football Club 16 weeks ago. I was aware of the financial difficulties the club was facing and it became apparent they were far greater than I had been led to believe.

A plan was constructed to pay off creditors and restructure the club's finances. We concluded the best way forward was to trade our way out of these problems.

To trade effectively the club had to remain in the Ryman Premier League, if relegated the club could lose 50% of its revenue.

In order to avoid relegation, regardless of the Club's position in the league, the FA required the following ground improvements to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015:-

- Increase seating capacity to 250
- Increase covered standing capacity to 250
- Improve the fencing
- Increase turnstile entrances to 3

Due to the type of construction of the new stands, in the event that planning is not approved, they can be dismantled.

The architect also took into consideration the archaeological importance of the area and this was reported to the planning department at Lewes District Council.

I accept we are spending money when we have debts – non more important than our debt to Peacehaven Town Council – however with match funding from the Football Foundation and our Stand or Fall Campaign which has raised more than £10k from our supporters, we feel this investment in our infrastructure is the best way to trade our way out of the situation.

# PH541 To CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr E Simmons – accepted (family commitments)
Cllr R Robertson – noted (work commitments)

# PH542 To APPROVE & SIGN THE NON CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 17<sup>th</sup> March 2015

Noted

#### **Matters Arising:-**

Cllr H Livings requested an update with regards to the replacement of curb stones with tarmac

Cllr Harrison-Hicks stated that she raised the issue at the last SLR meeting and that ESCC Highways will investigate although there were end of year financial constraints

#### PH543 CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

None to report

**Matters Arising:-**

None

#### PH544 To RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

**Cllr J Harris** declared a personal interest in every planning application on the agenda in his capacity as a District Councillor and as a member of the Lewes District Planning Committee. He stated that any views he expressed were purely preliminary comments.

**Cllr J Harrison-Hicks** declared a personal interest in every planning application on the agenda in her capacity as a District Councillor and as a substitute member of the Lewes District Planning Committee. She stated that any views she expressed were purely preliminary comments.

Cllr J Harrison-Hicks declared an interest in application LW/15/0194 as a shareholder in Bovis Homes

All Councillors declared an interest in application LW/15/0144 as Peacehaven Town Council own the land

PH545 PLANN	NNING APPLICATIONS		
LW/15/0144	Sports Park	Planning Application - Installation of two additional spectator seating stands	East
	Piddinghoe	to the north side of the football pitch, one each side of the existing north	
	Avenue	stand, and one spectator standing-only stand to the west side of the pitch, relocation of turnstiles to south west corner of ground, relocation of trainer's dugouts and increased fence height to south east corner of ground for P&TFC	

**No Objection** however it was noted that this application was retrospective and that permission had not been sought or granted by the land owner, Peacehaven Town Council.

It was noted that the Committee acknowledged the situation with regards to the deadline set by the FA.

Comments:-

- 1 x Environmental Health
- 1 x ESCC Archaeology

Action: Administration Officer to write to LDC Planning with regards to:-

- Retrospective applications
- Applications without permission on PTC land

PH545 PLANNING APPLICATIONS continued			
LW/15/0159	9 The	Planning Application - Erection of front and side extension to provide garden	East
	Promenade	store for Mr R Field	

**No Objection** with the proviso site hours limited to Monday-Friday 08:00 to 18:00 and Saturday 08:00 to 13:00, no working on Sundays or Bank Holidays, no plant and equipment to be started up outside of these hours, no loud music to be played.

Sympathetic materials to be used.

**Majority Vote:-**

3 x No Objection

1 x Recommend Refusal

LW/15/0178	147 The	Planning Application - Demolition of existing side extension, front porch and	West
	Promenade	raised decking area and erection of a roof extension including raising of roof	
		height, front balcony addition and raised patio area for Mr M Brown	

The Committee requested an LDC Planning site visit as the block plan does not show the other buildings on this plot, the site plan is not correct and the planning notification is not on view at the location.

LW/15/0184	Land	Planning Application - Erection of a storage shed/shelter/carport for Mr S	North
	Adjacent	Howick	
	85 The		
	Lookout		

Refusal Recommended as the application does not meet the following District Land Registry regulation:-

'In order to preserve the uniformity of the front and rear lines of all buildings no person who shall acquire any of the said land shall erect any building the front of which shall be nearer to the road upon which his land abuts as shown on the Estate Plan than ten feet from such road.'

The Committee re-iterated that this plot should not be used for residential development and is outside the planning boundary

# Comments:-

# 1 x ESCC Rights Of Way

LW/15/0194	Land On	Planning Application - Amendment to configuration of plots 18-25 on previous	East
	The North	approved LW/13/0644 (Erection of 55 dwellings comprising a mix of 2, 3 and 4	
	Side Of	bedroom houses and associated garages, parking and landscaping) for Bovis	
	Arundel	Homes Ltd	
	Road		

# **No Objection**

Cllr J Harrison-Hicks abstained

PH545 PLANNI	NG APPLICATI	ONS continued		
LW/15/0224	123 Arundel Road	Planning Application - Front extension for Mrs D Rego	East	
No Objection with the proviso site hours limited to Monday-Friday 08:00 to 18:00 and Saturday 08:00 to 13:00, no working on Sundays or Bank Holidays, no plant and equipment to be started up outside of these hours, no loud music to be played.  Sympathetic materials to be used.				
		xceed 1m in height.		
The view for motorists at the Arundel Road/Victoria Avenue junction should not be obstructed as a result of development.				
Comments:-				
1 x ESCC Archa	eology			
LW/15/0233	32 Phyllis Avenue	Planning Application - Erection of conservatory to front for Mrs H Pickering	West	
<b>No Objection</b> with the proviso site hours limited to Monday-Friday 08:00 to 18:00 and Saturday 08:00 to 13:00, no working on Sundays or Bank Holidays, no plant and equipment to be started up outside of these hours, no loud music to be played.  Sympathetic materials to be used.				
PH546 PLANNING DECISIONS				
None to repor	t			
PH547 To CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING- Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2015 at 6:30pm				
Agreed THE MEETING ENDED AT 7:10pm				

SIGNED: DATED: