MINUTES of PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE held in the ANZAC ROOM, Community House, Meridian Centre, Peacehaven on Tuesday 10th July 2018 at 7.30pm

Councillors on this Committee:-

Jackie Harrison-Hicks (Chair of Council), Job Harris (Deputy Chair of Council), Cllr Melvynn Simmons (Chair of Committee), Cllr Lynda Duhigg, Cllr Rachael Coles, Cllr Daryl Brindley

Attended:

Cllr Melvynn Simmons (Chair), Cllr Lynda Duhigg, Cllr Daryl Brindley, Cllr Sue Griffiths, Cllr Robbie Robertson

Officer:

Campbell McBryer (Leisure and Amenities)

GENERAL BUSINESS

PH455 CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Announcements for this evening

We would like to welcome Cllr Sue Griffiths to the Council. Sue has been elected without contest to Council and joins us this evening as a Sub for Cllr Rachael Coles. It is a pleasure to have her with us.

Thank you all- now we move on to Council Business. Do we have any PUBLIC QUESTIONS

PH456 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There will be 15 minute period when members of the public may ask questions on any relevant PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS MATTER. It would be preferable if the question is submitted in writing by 12 noon on the day of the meeting. Each speaker is restricted to 3 minutes.

PETER SEED (NORTH WARD)

Mr Seed asked Committee to note errors on the "Call for Sites" Document. The errors noted were that the document mentions a minimum of 5 dwellings and the steering group had been asked to allow for a number of 6 dwellings. This seems to be a mistake. The use of Council's seems to be a grammatical error as it changes the meaning of the form. This should use the plural Councils and should be amended. There is mention of WPC, which seems to refer to another Parish Council. This is an obvious error and maybe a result of the document being copied from elsewhere. This should be amended.

MIKE GATTI (PEACEHAVEN FOCUS GROUP)

Mr Gatti expressed his concern at the amount of paper used in the preparation of documents for this meeting. He asked that Council review this. Cllr Simmonds agreed and Mr McBryer was tasked with investigating alternative solution.

PH457 CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Rachael Coles sent her apologies due to work commitments due to sickness- Accepted

Cllr Job Harris sent his apologies due to recovery from surgery- Accepted

PH459 TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING 17TH JUNE 2018

Some amendments were requested to the minutes. These were made and minutes were approved and signed.

PH460 PLANNING APPLICATION LW/18/0402- 41 Firle Road

Proposed Councillor Daryl Brindley

Seconded Councillor Sue Griffiths

Objected

Cllr Brindley expressed his concern that the plans would produce over development on what is a relatively small plot. He also expressed concern that the proposed driveway was on a junction/corner. He stated that he would not approve the application.

Cllr Griffiths stated that she would like to object to the application due to concerns over the hedge at western boundary of the premises. This hedge is home to a variety of small birds and to remove it would have an adverse effect o the environment and bio diversity in this area.

PH462 PLANNING APPLICATION LW/18/0060- 179 South Coast Road

Proposed Councillor Sue Griffiths

Seconded Councillor Daryl Brindley

Objected

Cllr Griffiths proposed that the minor adjustment to the parking in the amended plan still does not mitigate the parking problem.

Cllr Simmons explained that this would not be considered a new build as there was an existing dwelling on the site.

Cllr Robertson stated that this application had previously been rejected and that there was little change to the plans and the application should be rejected on the same grounds again.

Cllr Brindley said that he objected to the application on the grounds that parking would be a problem within this area. There was no suitable parking solution in the plans and this would cause a problem for residents in Victoria Avenue.

Cllr Robertson said that he had objected to the previous application on the grounds of concerns relating to the infrastructure, traffic, and parking and over development. He wished to object to the application on the same grounds as there was no substantial change from the previous application.

Cllr Duhigg said that she would like to support the application if it met planning regulations. Mr McBryer explained that the application did appear to meet the necessary regulations. Cllr then went on to propose a motion that the application be approved. A discussion was held but no other Councillor would support this motion and as a result it failed.

PH461 DECISION NOTICES

Council noted the following decision notices

LW/18/0071-54 Cairo Avenue

LW/18/0229-67 The Lookout

LW/18/0026- 194 South Coast Road

LW/18/0266-33 The Highway

LW/18/0097- 109 Sutton Avenue

LW/18/0340- The Lookout

LW/18/0090- 1a Lea Road

LW/18/0297- Land Adjacent to 39 Ashington Gardens

LW/18/0299- Land Adjacent to 11 Ashington Gardens

PH462 TPO NOTICES

Council noted TPO TW/18/0035/TPO at Glynn Road

PH463 NDP REPORTS

9.1 Cllr Griffiths proposed that the call for sites form be agreed subject to any amendments made at Council on 24th July 2018 and this was agreed by the committee.

9.2 Council noted the update from the steering group.

PH464 ROAD NAMES

A discussion began and standing orders were suspended to allow the Public to join in the discussion. It was noted by Council that Bumblebee Close has been rejected. There was some conversation around this. Council and residents then put forward two further names.

Stonechat Road and Martletts Close.

The full list agreed by Council and to be passed to Lewes District Council for the Lower Hoddern Farm development are.

Skylark Avenue, Kestrel Way, Goldfinch Close, Linnet Road, Stonechat Road, Martletts Close.

All Agreed

PH465 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY/SDNP

Noted by Council

PH466 PLANT LIFE, ROAD VERGE AND WILDLIFE GUIDELINES

Noted by Council and a request was made by Cllr Robertson to have the document available on our Web Site.

PH467 UPDATE FROM AAFG

Noted by Council

PH468 TO CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS will be held on Tuesday 7th August 2018 at 7.30pm