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Minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee held in Community House, Meridian Centre at 7.30pm on Tuesday 22nd October 2019

Present – Cllr I Sharkey (Chairman), Cllr J Harris, Cllr S Griffiths, Cllr D Seabrook, Cllr D Paul, Cllr G Hill, Cllr L Mills, Cllr A Goble, Cllr A Milliner,

Victoria Onis (Admin)
6 members of the public

1 PH716 CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the Health and Safety announcement.

2 PH717 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

- 1) A member of the public noted that at the Full Council meeting on the 24th September, on behalf of Peacehaven Focus Group, asked a question regarding the Barrett's development at Chalkers Rise, and their possible failure to comply with obligations as set out in the planning application. This was referred to the Planning and Highways meeting on the 1st of October. It was decided at that meeting that this question should be addressed by LDC, and would therefore be sent to them to be answered. Can we be assured that this has been done, and if so what, if any response been received from LDC?"

Action – Cllr Sharkey advised she would look into and check the previous minutes.

- 2) Comments also received regarding the parking situation for the Bells Club application LW/19/0683.

Action – comments noted.

- 3) Residents concern for the road "improvements" which have been submitted for the Dell Roundabout. The application proposal will widen the road to two lanes which will increase traffic flow & increase speed in an already dangerous area. Adding to this, there is a lack of safe crossings along the Coast Road, particularly from the Telscombe traffics lights to the Dell roundabout. Many elderly and visually impaired residents have been seen struggling to cross the road and concerns that we have to wait for a fatality before anything is done to improve the situation.

Action – PTC will try and locate the plans for the Churchill Retirement Development to see if part of the proposal was to include a safe crossing at the Dell. Was also mentioned that the CC Nigel Enever has asked ESCC Highways to come and view in person the traffic at the Dell but as yet we don't believe this has happened.

3 PH718 VANESSA ROWLANDS FROM CUCKMERE VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL REGARDING THE SETTING UP A REGULAR DIALOGUE BETWEEN PTC & SDNPA

Cllr Rowlands is a Parish Councillor on Cuckmere Valley Parish council and was elected onto the South Downs National Park Authority in June this year. Peacehaven Town Council received updates on the flood at Cuckmere valley, which has been completely flooded. The Environment Agency that look after the river, hasn't been and managing the shingle for last 2.5 years. It has now been resolved that the Water Level Management Board that looks after the rest of the water within the catchment area are now going to pay for it to be cleared and South Downs National Park have made a contribution as well.

Cllr Rowlands expressed that if there are any issues regarding National Park; please feel free to make contact.

4 PH719 TO CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & SUBSTITUTIONS

Cllr Cheta -Mayoral event

Apologies accepted.

5 PH720 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

There were no declarations of interests

6 PH721 TO APPROVE & SIGN THE NON CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF 1ST OCTOBER 2019

It was resolved to adopt the minutes as a true record

Proposed Cllr Griffiths

Seconded Cllr Mills

All in Agreement

7 PH722 BUDGET REQUIREMENTS FOR 2020

- Bus shelter provision & Maintenance
- Notice boards & maintenance, including Obelisk & Monuments
- Street furniture – Seats & litter bins
- Climate change

Comments – to check the bulbs in the 2/3 of the lamp posts at Valley Road; the bill for electricity for these lamps are averaging at £90 per month.

Proposed Cllr Griffiths

Seconded Cllr Seabrook

All in Agreement

8 PH723 REFURBISHMENT OF OBELISK AND MONUMENT

Discussed in item 7 PH722.

9 PH724 TO CONSIDER THE URBAN VERGE CUTTING 2020

It was resolved to select **Option 2 – Extra cuts:** Parish/Town Councils may fund an additional four cuts to be carried out by ESCC, totalling six cuts (two standard and four extra) over the course of the year. This would cost Peacehaven Town Council a total of £8,669 for the year.

Proposed Cllr Seabrook

Seconded Cllr Paul

All in Agreement

10 TO SETUP A SPEED WATCH WORKING GROUP

Cllr Hills welcomed support from residents over the last week and would be grateful for some Councillors to also volunteer.

Cllr Harris, Cllr Seabrook & Ms Onis have volunteered to help with the Speedwatch working group

11 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PH725 LW/19/0617 118 Roderick Avenue Peacehaven Case worker – Robin Hirschfeld	Raise ridge for roof extension
	Peacehaven Town Council Recommend Approval Proposed Cllr Griffiths Seconded Cllr Seabrook All in Agreement
PH726 LW/19/0695 1a Lea Road Peacehaven Case worker – Chris Wright	Subdivide existing dwelling to create two dwellings (internal & external works)
	Peacehaven Town Council Recommend Approval Proposed Cllr Paul Seconded Cllr Hill All in Agreement

PH727 LW/19/0683 The Bells Club 8 Phyllis Avenue Peacehaven BN107HY Case worker - James Smith	Change of use application from a licensed premises (private members club class use A4) to a community worship centre (class D2)
	<p>Resident Objections online and Objections from public attending the Planning meeting.</p> <p>Serious concerns and Objections due the lack of satisfactory parking for users coming from all areas along the Coast from Brighton to Newhaven. When the premises were previously used as a social club the customers could use the Stonehouse (Carvary) carpark opposite. Recently this has changed and to use the carpark, without using the Stonehouse facilities means you will incur a fine. The only place to park now would be on residential streets and double yellow lines along the Coast Road. The lack of parking is a concern for disturbance reasons between the hours of 5am -10pm, which actually would be from approx 4.30am until after 10pm to enable users to get to and from car.</p> <p>Peacehaven Town Council Recommend Approval Subject to proof of satisfactory parking arrangements Proposed Cllr Griffiths Seconded Cllr Hill All in agreement</p>
PH728 LW/18/0726 211 South Coast Road Peacehaven Case worker - April parsons	Section 73a retrospective application for change of use to formal A5 to allow hot food takeaway and delivery
	<p>Peacehaven Town Council Recommend Approval Proposed Cllr Seabrook Seconded Cllr Mills All in agreement</p>

12 TO NOTE the following Planning Applications:-

PH727 LW/19/0703/CD 12 Sunview Avenue Peacehaven	Discharge of conditions 4, 5 and 6 relating to planning approval LW/19/0491
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The Committee noted the planning applications above.

13 TO NOTE the following planning application decisions:-

LW/19/0554 4 Mayfield Avenue Peacehaven	Lewes DC Grants Permission Peacehaven's Planning & Highways Committee Supported this application
LW/19/0582 51 Firle Road Peacehaven East Sussex BN10 8DA	Lewes DC Grants Permission Peacehaven's Planning & Highways Committee Supported this application

The Committee noted the planning results above.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 12th November 2019 at 7.30pm

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.25pm

