**DRAFT Minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee held in the Anzac Room, Community House on Tuesday 4th April 2023 at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllr Alan Milliner (Chair),Cllr David Seabrook (Vice Chair of Council), Cllr Cathy Gallagher, Cllr Sue Griffiths.

**Officers**: George Dyson (Deputy Town Clerk), Vicky Onis (Committees and Assistant Projects Officer).

1 member of the public was in attendance.

1. **PH1587 CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chair opened the meeting at 19:30, welcomed everyone and went through the building fire procedure.

The Chair then informed the Committee of the recent passing of Brian Vernon, and a minutes silence was held.

1. **PH1588 PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

A member of the public commented that he was still waiting for a response from the question he asked to Committee on 21st February regarding the Neighbourhood Liaison Group for Chalkers Rise.

The Deputy Clerk responded that the question has been sent to the Head of Planning at Lewes District Council more than once, and that we are yet to receive a response or acknowledgement, but that the matter is still being chased up.

1. **PH1589 TO CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ANY ABSENCES AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Sharkey.

Cllr Harris, Cllr Paul, and Cllr White were also absent.

1. **PH1590 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

There were no declarations of interest.

1. **PH1591 TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF 14TH MARCH 2023**

Proposed by: Cllr Seabrook. Seconded by: Cllr Gallagher.

The minutes of the above meeting were **resolved and adopted**.

1. **PH1592 TO NOTE AND REVIEW THE COMMITTEES BUDGETARY REPORT**

The Committee **noted** the budgetary report.

1. **PH1593 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM CLLR GALLAGHER CHAIR OF THE STEERING GROUP FOR THE NDP**

Cllr Gallagher gave a brief update on the NDP, that Nancy Astley has now started work reviewing the plan following the District Council consultation and has met with Planning Officers.

The Neighbourhood Plan has also been noted in 2 recent planning application refusals – LW/22/0859 and LW/23/0047.

1. **PH1594 SOUTH DOWNS LOCAL PLAN REVIEW – INVITATION TO CONTRIBUTE TO LOCAL PLAN REVIEW**

Cllr Gallagher informed the Committee that this had been raised at Full Council under the reports from outside body representatives, and that this doesn’t really affect Peacehaven, especially has we have a Neighbourhood Development Plan.

1. **TO COMMENT ON THE PLANNING APPLICATIONS AS FOLLOWS:-**

**PH1595 –** LW/23/0104 3 Slindon Avenue

It was proposed that the Committee support this planning application

Proposed by: Cllr Gallagher Seconded by: Cllr Seabrook.

The Committee **resolved** to **agree** to this proposal

**PH1596** – LW/23/0089 Unit B5, Meridian Industrial Estate

It was proposed that the Committee support this planning application.

Proposed by: Cllr Seabrook. Seconded by: Cllr Gallagher.

The Committee **resolved** to **agree** to this proposal.

**PH1597 –** LW/23/0156 11 The Dewpond

There was a brief discussion on the planning application.

It was proposed that the Committee support this planning application.

Proposed by: Cllr Gallagher Seconded by: Cllr Seabrook.

The Committee **resolved** to this proposal by a majority, with 1 abstention.

**PH1598** – LW/23/0131/CD Land East and West of Downs Walk

The Committee **noted** this discharge of conditions application.

1. **TO NOTE THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS:-**

**PH1599** – TW/23/0018/TPO 3 Stanley Road

The Committee **noted** this planning application.

1. **TO NOTE THE FOLLOWING PLANNING DECISIONS:-**

**PH1600 –** TW/23/0023/TPO

The Committee **noted** these planning decisions.

1. **PH1601 TO REVIEW AND UPDATE THE P&H ACTION PLAN AND AGREE ANY ACTIONS REQUIRED**

The Deputy Clerk highlighted the recent Communication from the Planning Manager at Barratts regarding the attenuation pond fence – Committee discussed this and were in agreement that the suggested fence is suitable, Deputy Clerk to respond to this communication.

Cllr Gallagher asked that the recent Kaner Olette report be included in the action plan – there will likely be a need to have a TFG formed when the new Council comes in to go through the report and create actionable items.

There was a brief discussion about the need to action the Wildflower verges survey – the Deputy Clerk advised Committee members that recent staff changes had meant this hasn’t been progressed yet, but will prioritise.

Cllr Seabrook informed the Committee that a recent Speedwatch had resulted in a speeding letter and a speeding ticket.

1. **PH1602 DATE OF NEXT MEETING 25TH APRIL 2023 AT 7.30PM.**

The next meeting of this Committee was confirmed for 25th April 2023.

*There being no further business the meeting ended at 20:12.*