

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

3 November 2008

Committee Members present: Cllrs D Brown (Vice Chairman), J Atkins, C Block,
Mrs D Crook, C Grayhurst, Miss A Moloney
Mrs. S Hunter (Town Clerk)
Council Members present: Cllr L Withey
Members of the Public present: Mr J Boyes, Mr P Hickmott, Mr J Coomber

1. Apologies for Absence
Apologies were received from Cllrs B Garlick, L Baldock, Mrs Keeley and Ms K Woolley.
2. Declaration of Interest
Cllr Miss Moloney – Community Association and a Borough Councillor on Area 3 Planning.
Cllr Mrs Crook – Community Association.
Cllr Atkins – 13 Dryland Road (Item 5.2.13)
3. Matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 August 2008
There are no matters arising.
4. Questions from the Public
 - 4.1 Mr Coomber asked if Snodland Town Council would consider a Petanque area at Potyns. Cllr D Keeley will see if there is a demand and the Council will then consider this option.
 - 4.2 Mr Coomber grows trees and gives them away for planting. Something with a well established root needs to be planted in Queens Avenue so it cannot be removed easily. Mr Coomber does not have any suitable trees at the moment, but may have some at a later date.
 - 4.3 Mr Coomber said he is interested in the Snodland Riverside, MR44 and Marsh Lane. He asked for the Council to support him regarding these. Cllr D Brown replied that the Snodland Riverside Project is kept on the agenda, as it is on-going.
 - 4.4 Cllr D Keeley had attended the Public Enquiry meeting regarding Marsh Lane.
5. Planning Applications
 - 5.1 Decisions received
These are in the Office for perusal.
 - 5.2 Applications for consideration
 - 5.2.1 TM/08/TEMP/0060 – Snodland CE Primary School, Roberts Road – to remove an existing covered walkway – No objection
 - 5.2.2 TM/08/TEMP/0069 – Snodland CE Primary School, Roberts Road – Installation of a gazebo to the rear of the school – STC supports the application

- 5.2.3 TM/08/02252 – The Red Lion, 96 High Street – The Red Lion – 3 no. one bedroom flats and 3 no. two bedroom flats – Strongly oppose due to the severity of parking problems in the vicinity. It is overdevelopment of the site
- 5.2.4 TM/08/02457 – Church of St Thomas of Canterbury 28 Holborough Road - Demolition of existing building and erection of 3 houses and 1 maisonette with parking under for four dwellings – Cllr Atkins recommended No Objection as there are no valid planning issues to object against.
- 5.2.5 TM/08/02503 - Former Peters Pit and Peters Works Site – Details of Archaeological management submitted pursuant to condition 33 of planning permission 05/00989 - Noted
- 5.2.6 TM/08/02663 – 45 Townsend Road – Conservatory – No objection
- 5.2.7 TM/08/02673 – Meridian Self-Drive Sortmill Road – Proposed wash down Building/valet bay – No objection
- 5.2.8 TM/08/02799 – Former Holborough Quarry and Adjoining Land Parcel Holborough Road – Following the approval of 39 affordable dwellings under reserved matters reference 07/03072 this application provides for an additional 3 units to give a total of 42 affordable dwellings – No objection in principle providing there is extra provision made for parking
- 5.2.9 TM/08/02805 – 21 High Street – Repositioning of existing automatic telling machine and installation of second automatic telling machine - Permission already granted
- 5.2.10 TM/08/02863 – Downsview (Snodland Community Centre) – Installation of external air conditioning units – No objection (Cllr Mrs D Crook did not take part in the discussion).
- 5.2.11 TM/08/02882 – 41 High Street – Change of use conversion from offices to 2 self-contained flats – No objection
- 5.2.12 TM/08/02966 – Downsview (Snodland Community Centre) – Details of landscaping submitted pursuant to condition 2 of permission 06/00287 – No objection
- 5.2.13 TM/08/02984 – 13 Dryland Road – Front extension – No objection
- 5.2.14 TM/08/03036 – Catts Pharmacy Catts Alley – Non-illuminated fascia sign – No objection
- 5.2.15 TM/08/02654 - Any Waste Solution Ltd – Change of use of land to use as a Skip hire waste transfer and recycling station and construction of a weighbridge, diesel and oil storage tanks, portacabin offices and industrial building – Fully supported by STC
- 5.2.16 TM/08/03013 – 2 Orchard Way – Loft conversion with pitched roof dormer to front elevation – No objection

6. Trees in Queens Avenue

This has been placed on the KCC Highways spreadsheet – wish list.

7. Snodland Riverside Project

A site meeting will be held in the near future with the Archdeacon of Rochester, STC and the Valley of Visions.

The Clerk will investigate which housing association own property by the river, and Cllr Grayhurst will contact the Archdeacon again.

8. Surplus Land at Catts Alley
Mr Beswarick is dealing with this on the Council's behalf, and will update us in the near future.
9. Extension at Potyns
There is no update at the moment. This item will now be moved from this agenda to the Amenities and Recreation agenda.
10. Correspondence
 - 10.1 Various planning investigations have been received and they will be in the Office for perusal.
 - 10.2 Consultations on TMBC Draft Housing Scheme can be viewed on TMBC website. Comments need to be given by January 2009.
11. Any other items which the Chairman has decided are urgent owing to special circumstances

There being no other items the meeting closed at 8.38 pm