



SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
Held at 6.00 on Tuesday 18th August 2015

At Sandgate Parish Council/Library Offices
James Morris Court, Sandgate High Street, Sandgate

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These Minutes will only be deemed to be a correct record of the meeting when approved and signed at the next meeting

The meeting opened at 6.00pm. There were 2 members of the public in attendance.

**Present:**            **Chairman**            **Cllr Leo Griggs**  
                         **Councillors**       **Nabin Siwa, Adrian Watts, Guy Valentine-Neale**  
                         **Clerk**                **G Thomas**

Cllr L Griggs was proposed as stand-in Chairman for the duration of the meeting

**Proposed Cllr Adrian Watts**

**Seconded by Cllr Nabin Siwa**

**Agreed by all**

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs Nina Bliss, Gary Fuller, Tim Prater and Michael Fitch
2. **Declarations of Interest** – there was none
3. **Minutes of the last meeting** – the minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> July, having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed.

**Proposed by: Cllr Nabin Siwa**

**Seconded by: Cllr Adrian Watts**

**Agreed by all**

4. **Planning applications for discussion**

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| <b>Y15/0727/SH</b> | <b>16 Radnor Cliff<br/>Folkestone Kent CT20<br/>2JJ</b> | Works to trees situated within a conservation area comprising: 1 metre overall crown reduction of a Bay (T1); 3 metre reduction in height and 2 metre reduction of laterals of a Copper Beech (T2); 1 metre reduction in height of a Bay (T3); 1 metre crown lift of a Tamerisk (T4); reduction of one lower limb overhanging footpath of a Holm Oak (T5) and a Tamerisk (T6) and crown lift an unidentified shrub (T7) to 2 metres. | <b>Received 17<sup>th</sup> July 2015</b><br><b>Comments by 7<sup>th</sup> August 2015</b><br><br><b>No objection</b><br><b>For: 4; Against: 0;</b><br><b>Abstentions: 0; Interest declared: 0</b> |
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5. **Land adjoining 14 The Corniche** – a number of emails had been received after the agenda had been finalised and these would be noted under Item 10. Any actions required would be decided at the next Planning Committee meeting.

**6. Land adjoining 5 Radnor Cliff – there was no update**

- 7. Shorncliffe Development-** Cllr Griggs said that SDC had initially been interested in acquiring the Backdoor Training area but it was his understanding that this was no longer the case. Cllr Griggs would be drafting a letter to Taylor Wimpey to see if it would be viable for SPC to take over the area. Fifty per cent of the Backdoor Training area was within Sandgate parish boundaries.

**8. Development works on Brewers Hill**

- i. An email had been received from John Macauley at SDC, regarding Spindrift, stating that a retrospective planning application would be submitted for the area of land that had been excavated to create a parking area.
- ii. It had been noted that building works at Seacroft had led to an overspill of soil onto the footpath which runs alongside the property. The parish clerk had contacted Kent Highways to see if the builders have gone outside the curtilage of the property.

**9. Update on previous planning applications**

Y15/0572/SH 9 Bybrook Field - approved with conditions

Y15/0582/SH The Folkestone School for Girls - approved with conditions

**10. Correspondence**

- 10.1 Email dated 29<sup>th</sup> July received from Chris Lewis in response to a letter from Cllr Fuller regarding the Land adjoining 14 The Corniche: re the existing works and retaining structures on the land, he reiterated previous communication that he did not feel that it posed any stability problems and it was being monitored. He also commented that it was his understanding that no trees had been removed to install the retaining wall and, when a planning application was received, that the district council would ensure that as many existing trees as possible would be retained and as much landscaping as was practical would be provided in the new design.
- 10.2 Email from SDC Planning, dated 7<sup>th</sup> August, regarding amended/additional plans in respect of Y15/0344/SH – 5 Sandgate High Street: this was forwarded to all councillors to ascertain if 6 councillors wanted to call this item back for further discussion. This did not happen and the parish council was content to let its former comments on the application stand.
- 10.3 Email from Simon Horton, dated 14<sup>th</sup> August, with attached responses from Nick Lewington and Chris Lewis regarding previous enquiries from the residents in The Corniche.
- 10.4 Letter from Charlotte Morgan, Legal Assistant for Director of Governance and Law, dated 13<sup>th</sup> August, confirming a ‘Stopping up Order’ on North Road, Shorncliffe Camp.
- 10.5 Letter received from Caroline Tyler of Southern Water, dated 13<sup>th</sup> August: drainage tests had been undertaken on the Land adjoining 14 The Corniche and a visit to the site from their engineer had not raised any concerns with regards to drainage or sewerage problems and neither had there been any reports of these types of problems.
- 10.6 Email from Roger Joyce, dated 14<sup>th</sup> August, re the cleaning of the road alongside the land adjoining 14 the Corniche: he had mentioned to Mr Loveday that regular cleaning would be desirable/necessary.
- 10.7 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) hard copy documentation was received from SDC 7<sup>th</sup> August. This document would be kept in the library for consultative purposes. Cllr Griggs asked if the clerk could find an on-line pdf version of the same.

**11. Information**

- i. Cllr Valentine-Neale expressed concern about the works taking place at 41 Valley Road and Cllr Griggs asked for this to be put on the agenda for the next planning committee meeting.

- ii. Cllr Valentine-Neale offered to research specifications for private building control firms and Cllr Griggs suggested that the clerk invites a private building control firm to visit the land adjacent to 14 The Corniche site in order to obtain a preliminary quote for a building control inspection.

**12.** The clerk informed the committee that a notification of application Y15/0010/PA had been received. The clerk would ascertain the meaning of the lettering 'PA' which appeared in the application number and also if the parish council was required to give comments on these types of applications.

**13. Date of next meeting:** 6.00pm 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015

The meeting ended 6.45pm

Signed by the Planning Committee Chairman.....Date.....