

SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of a PLANNING COMITTEE MEETING

Held at 6.00 on Tuesday 1st September 2015

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

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 10 members of the public in attendance.

Present: Chairman Cllr Robert Bliss

Councillors Nina Bliss, Adrian Watts, Leo Griggs, Guy Valentine-Neale,

Marjorie Findlay-Stone, Tim Prater and Nabin Kumar Siwa

Clerk G Thomas

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Gary Fuller

2. **Declarations of Interest** – None

3. Minutes of the last meeting – the minutes of the meeting held on 18th August 2015, having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed.

Proposed by: Cllr N Bliss **Seconded by:** Cllr A Watts

Agreed by all

3a. It was proposed to co-opt Cllr M Findlay-Stone onto the Planning Committee for this meeting.

Proposed by: Cllr L Griggs **Seconded by:** Cllr A Watts

Agreed by all

4. Planning applications for discussion

Email received 26th August from Mr E Williamson regarding application Y15/0839/SH, objecting to this development on the grounds of aesthetics, drainage and landslip problems and expressing concerns that he hadn't been contacted by SDC regarding the application whilst having his property's entrance 5 metres from this new parking area.

Letter received 27 August 2015 from Mrs L Lowe with regard to Y15/0839/SH objecting to this development as being in appearance out of keeping with the local area and because of concerns about the safety of the work.

Y15/0453/SH	2 Mariners Gate	Installation of rear first floor door in	Received 11 th August 2015
	Encombe	place of existing window, construction	Comments by 1 st September 2015
	Sandgate	of a bridge and steps in rear garden, together with extension to existing garden decking	No objection For: 5; Against: 0; Abstentions: 3; Interest declared: 0

Y15/0799/SH	25 Radnor Cliff Folkestone	Felling of four Sycamores and a Holm Oak, all subject of Tree Preservation Order No 4 of 2009	Received 13 th August Comments by 2 nd Sept 2015 No objection For: 8; Against: 0; Abstentions: 0; Interest declared: 0 Agreed to this application subject
Y15/0017/PA	Communications mast Oxenden Road	Application for prior approval for the upgrading of 14m high telecommunications mast and associated ancillary development	to the replanting of trees Received 18 th August 2015 Comments by 8 th Sept 2015 No objection For: 8; Against: 0; Abstentions: 0; Interest declared: 0
Y15/0839/SH	Spindrift Brewers Hill	Creation of off road parking with retaining wall	Received 21 st August 2015 Comment by 10 th Sept 2015 Objection For: 7; Against: 0; Abstentions: 1; Interest declared: 0

Objections are made on the basis of concerns regarding absence of any plans concerning drainage, aesthetics, finishing and landscaping. Also this application does not adhere to a number of the principles of the Sandgate Design Statement; namely:

SDS1 – Compliance with the Sandgate Design Statement- All applications for new development in Sandgate parish should include a statement demonstrating how they have complied with the Principles of the Sandgate Design Statement

SDS 3 – Footpaths and Alleyways- The historic narrow lanes running inland from the sea and connecting the seafront and hillsides of the high street and The Esplanade are an important feature in the grain and built character of this parish. Their existing layout, character and the views of the sea and the wooded escarpment that they provide should be retained and respected and, where possible, enhanced in any new development. SDS5 – Character Areas- Development should be appropriate to the scale, materials, ridge heights, boundary treatments, and detaining of its Character Area.

Y15/0826/SH	5 Eversley Way	Erection of an extension to outbuilding	Received 25th August 2015
	Folkestone	to provide office, gym and utility room	Comments by 15th Sept 2015
			Deferred until the application's
			documents are correctly inputted
			by SDC

5. Land adjoining 14 The Corniche

- 5.1 The clerk gave an update regarding discussions with Southern Water about the residents' concerns about the drainage on the site. It was agreed that the clerk would continue to ask Southern Water to honour their initial agreement to investigate the site with CCTV.
- 5.2 Mr R Joyce said that an initial planning application had resulted in a number of additional questions from SDC.

Action: Clerk to confirm receipt of application and establish the areas for which SDC was requesting clarification.

6. Land adjoining 5 Radnor Cliff- there was no update

7. 41 Valley Road

- 7.1 Cllr Valentine-Neale said that there were a number of concerns regarding the health and safety of this site, which exhibits similar problems to those of other recent developments including land slippage.
- 7.2 An email received 30th August 2015 from Mr S Horton indicated that the developers of this site also built Sandcastle at The Corniche last year and that numerous problems occurred during that development.

Action (1): Clerk to forward Cllr Valentine-Neale's email regarding 41 Valley Road to development control and also to establish whether any dangerous structure / building control notifications are in place.

Action (2): Clerk to ascertain if the developers are using a private building control contractor.

8. Shorncliffe Development

Cllr L Griggs said that he had contacted Taylor Wimpey regarding the Backdoor Training Area and expressed an interest on behalf of SPC. A meeting of the Shorncliffe Development Steering Group would be taking place on 18th September 2015.

9. Development works on Brewers Hill

Mrs R Sanders had said she had contacted SDC with regard to the curtilage of the path and had been informed that a fee for £90.00 would be required for provision of this information.

Action: Clerk asked to contact SDC and ask them for information regarding the curtilage.

10. Update on previous planning application

Y15/0569/SH 20 Temeraire Heights - approved with conditions

11. Correspondance

Email received 20th August 2015 from Mrs R Sanders regarding the apparent disregard of the Sandgate Design Statement by SDC. Cllr R Bliss formally responded by letter.

Email received 26th August 2015 from Mr E Williamson regarding application Y15/0839/SH: this was discussed at item 4.

Letter received 27th August 2015 from Mrs L Lowe with regard to Y15/0839/SH: this was discussed at item 4.

12. Information- there was nothing further to report.

The meeting ended at 7.00 pm	
Signed by the Planning Committee Chairman.	.Date