

**MINUTES**  
of  
**A Meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee**  
**Held in the Assembly Rooms, Church Approach, New Romney**  
**on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024**  
**Commencing at 6.45pm**

**PRESENT:**

**Councillors:**

P Coe, P Carey, J Rivers, K Terry, S O'Hare, J Davies, and  
L Phillips

**In the Chair:**

Councillor P Coe

**In Attendance:**

Planning Clerk - Mrs G Hall

Members of public x 4

551/2023-24

**APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received and noted, as below:

Councillor Houston - due to being unwell.

552/2023-24

**DISPENSATION TO PARTICIPATE**

No new applications for Dispensation to Participate had been received.

553/2023-24

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST @6:46PM**

All councillors present declared a personal interest in planning application: 24/0152/FH – as the applicant is known to them.

554/2023-24

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

It was not necessary to adjourn the meeting as no questions had been received in writing.

555/2023-24

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

None received.

556/2023-24

**RE-CONVENING OF MEETING**

Not applicable.

557/2023-24

**MINUTES**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

The Chairman presented the **Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting Held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024**, a copy of which had been previously circulated to all Councillors.

Having duly considered the afore-mentioned minutes, it was:

**PROPOSED BY:** Councillor O'Hare

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Davies

**RESOLVED**– that the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024 be approved and signed as a true and correct record.

**Councillor Rivers abstained from voting as he was not present for the meeting.**

558/2023-24 **PLANNING CLERK'S REPORT**

The Planning Clerk's report, which had been previously circulated to all Committee Members, was duly received and noted and read as under:

**06<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024**  
**PLANNING CLERKS REPORT**

**Parking near a junction.**

We recently had our public engagement for the Changes to the High Street parking and 20MPH zones. During the public engagement we had several members of public comment on vehicles parking on the corner of Spitalfield Lane onto Lydd Road right at the junction. Cars must go round them and onto the other side of the road at the junction which is very dangerous.

I have reached out to our local Police Officer who will do more patrols in the area, when he drove past there wasn't anyone parked near the junction but will keep checking.

I also reached out to Folkestone and Hythe District council's Parking Services and was advised the following:

*We can only enforce parking near a junction if there is a restriction in place such as a yellow line. Although the Highway Code states "Cars, goods vehicles not exceeding 2500 kg laden weight, invalid carriages, motorcycles and pedal cycles may be parked without lights on a road (or lay-by) with a speed limit of 30 mph (48 km/h) or less if they are:*

- 1. At least 10 metres (32 feet) away from any junction, close to the kerb and facing in the direction of the traffic flow*
- 2. In a recognised parking place or lay-by.*

*We have now powers of enforcement over the first point above. In theory the police would be able to enforce as either dangerous parking or obstruction but there are several factors associated with this. Defining dangerous parking or just being a bit of nuisance for one and obstruction generally means no other traffic/pedestrians can get past. If something appears to be parked dangerously, we always advise the person to contact the police on 101 or online.*

559/2023-24 **SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

It was

**PROPOSED BY:** Councillor Rivers**SECONDED BY:** Councillor O'Hare

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY – that NRTC Planning and Environment Committee comments, including those comments relating to additional planning applications received after publication of the agenda for this meeting, be submitted to FHDC Planning Department:**

**Application No****Location and Description**(i) [23/2082/FH](#)Plot B, Land Rear of Plot 15,  
Collins Road,  
New Romney, TN28 8LH17 no. general industrial units  
with associated parking and  
access road.**No Objection****RECOMMENDATION****Voting:****For Application:****7****Against Application:****0****Abstained:****0**(ii) [24/0097/FH](#)Land Adjoining 113 Queens  
Road, Littlestone, TN28 8LTDetached bungalow with pitched  
roof built to Passivhaus  
standard.**No Objection****RECOMMENDATION****Voting:****For Application:****7****Against Application:****0****Abstained:****0**(iii) [24/0078/FH](#)New Inn, 37 High Street,  
New Romney, TN28 8BWErection of 2 semi-detached  
houses facing onto Church  
Road.

**RECOMMENDATION****Voting:****For Application:****Against Application:****Abstained:****No Objection****7****0****0**(iv) [24/0152/FH](#)105 Littlestone Road, Littlestone,  
New Romney, TN28 8LPWork to tree the subject to TPO  
No:8 of 1998 T1 sycamore  
crown reduction by a max of 4  
mtrs off height approx. 2 mtrs  
max lateral spread.**No objection subject to the  
works carried out to BS3998  
standards.****RECOMMENDATION****Voting:****For Application:****Against Application:****Abstained:****7****0****0**(v) [24/0159/FH](#)135 Queens Road, Littlestone,  
TN28 8NAWorks to trees subject to TPO  
No5 of 1994 – Fell T1  
Sycamore, T2 Holm Oak, T3  
Holm Oak, T4 Holm Oak, T5  
Holm Oak, & T6 Holm Oak.**Recommend refusal – Trees  
are under a TPO.****RECOMMENDATION****Voting:****For Application:****Against Application:****Abstained:****0****7****0**(vi) [24/0105/FH](#)Land Adjoining 1-2 West Lawn  
Cottages, Lydd Road, New  
RomneySelf-Catering tourist  
accommodation**No Objection subject to a  
parking solution is provided  
with an electric vehicle  
charging point and cycle  
storage.****RECOMMENDATION**

**Voting:**  
**For Application:** 7  
**Against Application:** 0  
**Abstained:** 0

(vii) [23/1591/FH](#)

Land west of Ashford Road,  
 New Romney

Hybrid planning application comprising: full planning application for the erection of 94 residential dwellings including access from Ashford Road, open space, landscaping, car parking and associated infrastructure . Outline planning application with all matters reserved for the erection of 5 self/custom build units.

**This is a re-consultation following the submission of additional details or a change in circumstance.**

These are detailed below:

Additional information pack - added 04/03/24

**Recommend refusal – Overdevelopment & doesn't meet FHDC suggested housing mix.**

**RECOMMENDATION**

**Voting:**  
**For Application:** 0  
**Against Application:** 7  
**Abstained:** 0

(viii) [24/0271/FH](#)

North Street House,  
 North Street,  
 New Romney, TN28 8DW

**Works to trees situated within a Conservation area comprising of overall reduction to T1 Tulip by up to 4 metres, T2 Olive by up to 2 metres, T3 Ornamental Cherry by up to 2 metres, T4 Laburnum by up to 2 metres & T5 Lilac by up to 2 metres.**

**RECOMMENDATION**

**No objection subject to the works carried out to BS3998 standards.**

**Voting:****For Application:****7****Against Application:****0****Abstained:****0**

- 560/2023-24 **SCHEDULE OF LICENCE APPLICATIONS**  
There were no licence applications for consideration.
- 561/2023-24 **FOLKESTONE & HYTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORTS/ DECISIONS/MATTERS**  
(i) A schedule of delegated decisions of Folkestone & Hythe District Council Planning Department for the periods ending 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024 and 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024 were duly received and noted.
- 562/2023-24 **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**  
The report regarding Kent & Medway Air Quality Forecast monitoring, which had previously been circulated to all Committee Members, was duly received and noted.
- 563/2023-24 **REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES**  
**Parish Highway Improvement Plan**  
The Parish Highway Improvement Plan update, which had previously been circulated to all Committee Members and was duly received and noted.
- 564/2023-24 **CHANGES TO VARIOUS PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS: CONSULTATION.**  
Having duly considered the afore-mentioned consultation, it was:
- PROPOSED BY:** Councillor Coe  
**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Carey

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY – that Councillor Coe, Councillor Terry, Councillor O’Hare & Councillor Carey form a working party group to complete the Consultation Questionnaire on behalf of The Planning and Environment Committee. The working group have agreed to meet on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April @ 9am in the meeting room at The Town Hall to discuss.**

The Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and the meeting Concluded **at 7.45pm**

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