

MINUTES
of
A Meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee
Held in the Assembly Rooms, Church Approach, New Romney
on 2nd April 2025
Commencing at 6.45pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: K Terry, P Coe, J Rivers, P Carey, J Davies and J Houston

In the Chair: Councillor K Terry

In Attendance: Planning Clerk - Miss S Walmsley
 Resonsible Finance Officer - Mrs C T Morris
 Members of public - x 4

629/2024-25 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received and noted, as follows:

Cllr Rev Cn McLachlan - for personal reasons.

Cllr L Phillips - for personal reasons.

Cllr S O'Hare - for personal reasons.

630/2024-25 **DISPENSATION TO PARTICIPATE**

No new applications for Dispensation to Participate had been received.

631/2024-25 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

632/2024-25 **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

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

633/2024-25 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

None received.

634/2024-25 **RE-CONVENING OF MEETING**

Not applicable.

635/2024-25 **MINUTES**

Minutes of the Meeting Held on 12th March 2025

The Chairman presented the **Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting Held on 12th March 2025**, a copy of which had been previously circulated to all Councillors.

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

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Coe
SECONDED BY: Councillor Houston

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY – that the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting held on 12th March 2025 be approved and signed as a true and correct record.

636/2024-25 **PLANNING CLERK'S REPORT**
 Not available on this occasion.

637/2024-25 **SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS**
 It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Coe
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rivers

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:

| <u>Application No</u> | <u>Location and Description</u> |
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| (i) 25/0147/FH | Plot 16 Collins Road, New Romney. Lawful development certificate (proposed) to create additional vehicular access. |
| <u>RECOMMENDATION</u> <u>Voting:</u> For Application: Against Application: Abstained: | |
| (ii) 25/0448/FH/CON | Pastoral fields west of Ashford Road, New Romney. Approval of details pursuant to condition 8(materials) of planning permission 23/1591/FH |

**No NRTC comment as
 FHDC decided 01/04/2025
 Unlawful**

RECOMMENDATION**Voting:****For Application:****Against Application:****Abstained****Approved by FHDC 27/03/2025**(iii) [25/0545/FH](#)

135 Queens Road, New Romney, TN28 8NA.

Works to trees the subject of TPO No. 05 of 1994 - T1 Holm Oak - Crown reduction by a max of 3 meters. T2 Holm Oak - Section tree to ground level.

T1 - support**T2 – recommend reduce rather than fell to ground level.****RECOMMENDATION****Voting:****For:****6****Against:****0****Abstained:****0**(iv) [25/0560/FH/TCA](#)

Endeavour, Sussex Road, New Romney, TN28 8HL

Works to trees in a Conservation area comprising of T1 & T2 Holm Oaks reduce by approx. 3 metres back to previous growth points, T3 Yew reduce to approx. 3 metres.

RECOMMENDATION**Voting:****For Application:****6****Against Application:****0****Abstained:****0**(v) [25/0524/FH/CON](#)

Sandbanks, Coast Road, Littlestone, TN28 8RA.

Approval of details pursuant to condition 19 (electric vehicle charging point details) of planning permission
[21/0747/FH](#)

RECOMMENDATION**Voting:****For Application:****No NRTC comment****Against Application:****Approved by FHDC 31/03/2025****Abstained:**

Additional Plans Received:(vi) [24/1190/FH](#)

Land to rear of Imogene, Station Approach, Littlestone, New Romney, TN28 8LU.

Folkestone & Hythe District Council write to inform you that the following case has been appealed. [AP-6693](#)

2 LAND REAR OF IMOGENE, STATION APPROACH, LITTLESTONE, NEW ROMNEY, TN28 8LU

Appeal against refusal of [24/1190/FH](#) - Change of use from holiday let to residential dwelling including single storey side extension.

Planning Inspectorate Number- APP/L2250/W/25/3362571

The appeal will be determined on the basis of Written Representations. The procedure to be followed is set out in Part 2 of The Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representation Procedure)(England) Hearing. The procedure to be followed is set out in The Town and Country Planning (Hearings Procedure)(England) Rules 2000, as amended.

We have forwarded all the representations made to us on the application to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

If you wish to make comments, or modify/withdraw your previous representation, you can do so online at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>.

FHDC Decision - REFUSAL**REFUSAL REASONS**

1 The proposed development, by virtue of its position and cramped, restrictive plot size, would provide insufficient private external amenity space to serve the proposed dwelling, resulting in an unacceptable level of amenity for future occupants of the property, contrary to policy HB3 of the Places and Policies Local Plan 2020, which requires a minimum garden depth of 10 metres for new dwellings.

NRTC did not previously comment, however it was:

(i)

PROPOSED: Cllr Rivers

SECONDED: Cllr Davies

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY- that New Romney Town Council completely agree and support the FHDC planning Officers decisions, especially HB3 and condition 4 of the original application.

(ii)

PROPOSED: Cllr Coe

SECONDED: Cllr Houston

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY- that New Romney Town Council Councillors authorise the planning clerk to submit their comments for the appeal AP6693 online to the planning inspectorate.

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SCHEDULE OF LICENCE APPLICATIONS

There were no licence applications for consideration.

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FOLKESTONE & HYTHE DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORTS/ DECISIONS/MATTERS

A schedule of delegated decisions of Folkestone & Hythe District Council Planning Department for the periods ending of 9th March 2025 & 16th March 2025 and 23rd March 2025 were duly received and noted.

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ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

The Kent & Medway Air Quality Forecast for Tuesday 25th March 2025 & The latest Water Quality Sampling Information which had previously been circulated to all Committee Members, was duly received and noted.

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REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

The Parish Highway Improvement Plan working party report, which had been previously circulated to all Committee Members, was duly received and noted and, as a result it was:

PROPOSED: Cllr Rivers

SECONDED: Cllr Coe

(i)

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY -that the planning clerk contact Cllr Tony Hills to request that he contact KCC Highways and enquire whether the cabinet member would be minded to allow a 20MPH limit for Queens Road and South of Mountfield Road as the average speed limit is only just over the 24MPH limit.

(ii)

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY - that the planning clerk be authorised to contact KCC highways and request that KCC go ahead with the remaining zones.

The Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and the meeting Concluded **at 7.31PM.**

Minutes prepared by the Planning Clerk.