

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING, MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS, TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, THE GROVE, SWANSCOMBE ON WEDNESDAY 29 MARCH 2023 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Councillor John Hayes – Chairman
Councillor Peter Harris – Vice - Chairman
Councillor Lorna Cross
Councillor Ann Duke
Councillor Linda Hall
Councillor Peter Harman
Councillor Lesley Howes

ALSO PRESENT: Graham Blew – Town Clerk
Martin Harding – Assistant Town Clerk/RFO

ABSENT: Councillor Maurice Weet

473/22-23. ARRANGEMENTS AND CONSTRAINTS REGARDING FILMING OR RECORDING THE MEETING.

The Chairman explained the arrangements and constraints relating to the filming or recording of the meeting.

474/22-23. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were none.

475/22-23. SUBSTITUTES.

There were none.

476/22-23. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

There were none.

As per Standing Order 34 c) the Chairman adjourned the meeting at this point to allow members of the public to address the meeting in relation to the business being transacted at the meeting.

477/22-23. ITEMS DEEMED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN / MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES AND THEIR POSITION ON THE AGENDA.

There were none.

478/22-23. TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 FEBRUARY 2023.

Recommended: The Minutes of the meeting held on 8 February 2023 were confirmed and signed.

479/22-23. HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENT PLAN (HIP) – KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (KCC).

Members considered the HIP and, after discussion, it was agreed that Item 1 be should remain, items 2,3 and 4 be removed and the following be added as new item 2:

that the B road in Greenhithe (High Street) be changed to Eagles Road and that this be done for the safety of both the users (vehicle and pedestrian) of the High Street and of Eagles Road.

Recommended: That the amendments to the HIP, as detailed above, be agreed.

480/22-23. “WELCOME SIGNS”.

Members discussed the contents of the report and associated correspondences, and it was agreed that no further action be taken at this time.

Recommended: That no further action be taken at this time.

TOWN PLANNING:

481/22-23. The following planning applications have been received from Dartford Borough Council / Ebbsfleet Development Corporation for Members observations *(full details of these applications can be viewed via the Town Council, DBC and the EDC websites).*

DA/23/00109/FUL	Erection of a two bedroomed detached dwelling. Adjacent 15 The Crescent, Greenhithe.
OBSERVATIONS:	The Town Council object to this application due to the lack of sufficient parking facilities included in the proposal.
DA/23/00145/FUL	Development of a medical centre with undercroft car parking, landscaping, and other associated works. Car Park, Steele Avenue, Greenhithe.
OBSERVATIONS:	The Town Council recognise the need to expand the provision of medical services available to its residents and whilst not objecting the council does have severe reservations regarding this proposal which include: The design of the building is not in keeping with the area. The proposed building would be overlooking the properties in King Edward Road which could result in a loss of privacy, light and result in overshadowing. As highlighted by the holding objection of the Highway Authorities Director of Highways & Transportation the proposal does not include sufficient parking facilities.

	<p>The proposal would result in an increase in vehicular movements which would result in an increase in air pollution.</p> <p>The proposal would increase highway safety issues on the already busy dual carriageway.</p> <p>The proposal contravenes the Stone Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan.</p>
DA/23/00229/FUL	<p>Provision of an external juliet balcony to first floor level, side elevation including new double french doors and side lights.</p> <p>27 Frobisher Way, Greenhithe.</p>
OBSERVATIONS:	<p>No observations, please ensure all neighbouring properties are consulted prior to the decision of the application.</p>

482/22-23. The following Granted Decision Notices have been submitted by Dartford Borough Council / Ebbsfleet Development Corporation for Members information.

DA/23/00027/TPO	<p>Application for 1 No. Cherry tree in rear garden - Reduce the crown all over by an average of 2m, leaving a finished radius of approx 4m as per annotated photo subject to Tree Preservation Order No.6 2017</p> <p>19 The Grove, Swanscombe.</p>
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There being no further business to transact, the Meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

Signed: _____
(Chairman)

Date: _____