

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING, MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS, TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, THE GROVE, SWANSCOMBE ON WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Councillor Peter Harris – Vice-Chairman in the Chair
Councillor Lorna Cross
Councillor Ann Duke
Councillor Maurice Weet

ALSO PRESENT: Graham Blew – Town Clerk

ABSENT: There were none.

The Chairman called on the meeting to observe a minutes silence in respect, and memory, of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

151/22-23. **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.

152/22-23. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Linda Hall, due to other commitments.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Peter Harman, due to other commitments.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor John Hayes, due to other commitments.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Lesley Howes, due to other commitments.

Recommended: That the reasons for absence, for the Councillors listed, be formally accepted, and approved.

153/22-23. **SUBSTITUTES.**

There were none.

154/22-23. **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.

155/22-23. ITEMS DEEMED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN / MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES AND THEIR POSITION ON THE AGENDA.

There were none.

156/22-23. TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 SEPTEMBER 2022.

Recommended: The Minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2022 were confirmed and signed.

157/22-23. DARTFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (DBC) – AIR QUALITY ACTION PLAN.

DBC were carrying out a consultation on a new Air Quality Action Plan which outlined what actions they would take, with their partners, to improve air quality in the borough between 2022 and 2027.

Members were provided with the information on 25 August 2022 with the consultation closing on 30 September 2022.

The Chairman advised that members were able to respond individually.

Recommended: That the item be noted.

TOWN PLANNING:

158/22-23. 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).

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| DA/22/01080/FUL | Erection of a single storey side and rear extension with garage conversion. 8 Eagles Road, Greenhithe. |
| OBSERVATIONS: | The Town Council are concerned that the proposal could result in increased parking requirements which would give rise to an increase in on street parking in an area where there is very limited capacity. Please ensure all neighbouring properties are consulted prior to the decision of this application. |
| DA/22/01093/TPO | Application for 3 No. Horse Chestnut Trees (in the car park next to 21 St. Peters Close) reduce all by 50% in height and 70% in spread (current height 20 metres spread 14 metres-estimated dimensions after works 11 metres height and 5 metres spread same as photos Council Trees 1 and 2) subject to Tree Preservation Order No.3 1991 Car Park adjacent 21 St Peters Close, Swanscombe |

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| OBSERVATIONS: | <p>The Town Council object to this application as the proposed reduction is too severe and would detract from the visual amenity of the area.</p> <p>The trees are healthy and are not causing any risk therefore only the removal of any major dead wood and ivy growth from around the main stems/trunks should be undertaken.</p> |
| DA/22/01092/TPO | <p>Application for 3 No. Horse Chestnut Trees (in the car park next to 21 St. Peters Close) reduce all by 33% (current height 20 metres spread 14 metres-estimated dimensions after works 13 metres height and 9 metres spread), thin crowns by 30/40%, removal of dead or dangerous (see clarification of works) branches, crown lift to give ground clearance of around 5 metres subject to Tree Preservation Order No.3 1991</p> <p>Car Park adjacent 21 St Peters Close, Swanscombe.</p> |
| OBSERVATIONS: | <p>The Town Council object to this application as the proposed reduction is too severe and would detract from the visual amenity of the area.</p> <p>The trees are healthy and are not causing any risk therefore only the removal of any major dead wood and ivy growth from around the main stems/trunks should be undertaken.</p> |

159/22-23. **The following Granted Decision Notices have been submitted by Dartford Borough Council / Ebbsfleet Development Corporation for Members information.**

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| DA/22/00751/ FUL | <p>Erection of a single storey front extension and work to the rear of removing the existing support post and replacing with new support posts.</p> <p>32 Spring Vale, Greenhithe</p> |
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160/22-23. **The following Refused Decision Notices have been submitted by Dartford Borough Council / Ebbsfleet Development Corporation for Members information.**

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| DA/22/00836/TPO | Application to fell 3 No. Horse Chestnut trees in the car park adjacent 21 St. Peters Close subject to Tree Preservation Order No.3 1991. 21/ 23 and 24 St. Peters Close, Swanscombe. |
| DA/22/00906/TDA | Application of determination pursuant to Schedule 2 Part 16 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 as to whether prior approval is required for the proposed 5G telecoms installation: H3G 15m street pole with additional equipment cabinets. Outside British Legion, London Road, Greenhithe. |

There being no further business to transact, the Meeting closed at 7.15 pm.

Signed: _____
(Chairman)

Date: _____