

CRANBROOK & SISSINGHURST PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 19th JUNE 2018

Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying:

Members are required to declare any interests, dispensations, predetermination or lobbying on items on this agenda. Members are reminded that changes to the Register of Interests should be notified to the Clerk.

Present: Cllr. Bunyan (in the Chair), Cllrs. Fermor, Smith & Warne.

Apologies: Cllr. Cook.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

18/01410/FULL

Hazelden Barn, Hazelden Farm, Marden Road, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 2LP

Retrospective – Erection of garden lodge and shed

The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL.

Proposed by Cllr. Fermor, seconded by Cllr. Warne and agreed.

18/01753/FULL & 18/01754/LBC

Lantine Cottage, The Street, Sissinghurst, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 2JG

Erection of a two storey rear extension.

The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL, subject to the views of neighbours and the Conservation Architect and on condition that access rights to neighbouring properties are not affected.

Proposed by Cllr. Smith, seconded by Cllr. Bunyan and agreed.

18/01724/FULL

Foxgloves, Camden Hill, Sissinghurst, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 2AR

Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Drawings) of Planning Consent 16/07224/FULL (First floor extension, replacement garage and internal alterations) – Variation to garage height.

The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL.

Proposed by Cllr. Bunyan, seconded by Cllr. Fermor and agreed.

18/01557/FULL

8 Shepherds Cottages, Causton Road, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 3ES

Erection of single storey rear and side extension with rooflights, and addition of four rooflights (1 to front elevation, 1 to rear elevation, and 2 to side elevation).

The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL. A copy of the Eco Design Guide would be sent to the applicant's agent.

Proposed by Cllr. Warne, seconded by Cllr. Bunyan and agreed.

CONSULTATIONS:

Pannal Parish Council CiL Survey - Sustainable Communities Act.

Cllr. Bunyan tabled the request we had received from NALC to complete a short survey. Pannal and Burn Parish Council in the Harrogate Borough Council area of West Yorkshire were wanting to submit a proposal direct to Government under the Sustainable Communities Act to ask the Government to make the adoption of CiL regimes by local councils mandatory. The survey summary report generated will be used to support their proposal. Each question and subsequent response was discussed, it was delegated to the Clerk to submit the agreed responses.

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council Local Green Space Proposals:

Cllr. Bunyan tabled the Tunbridge Wells Borough Local Plan Draft Local Green Space Assessment. Members discussed the document fully and suggested the following amendments should be recommended to TWBC.

Site 43 – Oatfield Drive Allotments.

It incorrectly states that the site has been put forward for development in the ‘call for sites’ however this relates to the KCC owned section of the site only. The remainder of the site is Parish owned and has not been submitted for consideration, so Members agreed it should be treated similarly as the Frythe Estate Allotments (site 42) and designated as green space.

Site 70 – Cranbrook Primary School Field.

Members disagreed with the comment that the area is not visually prominent, it has a public footpath that runs along its length. It is also used for community events such as the town Bonfire Night event and should be considered for classification as a green space.

Members noted that many of the sites identified and put forward for consideration as designated green sites had been deemed as unsuitable for designation by TWBC as they already had alternative specific protection from development such as Ancient Woodland classification.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A & G Signs Ltd - Request for approval of directional signs on P.C owned street furniture for the Countryside development in Common Road.

Members considered the request, but remained concerned at the amount of directions signs that appeared to be necessary. It was proposed by Cllr. Smith, seconded by Cllr. Bunyan and agreed to give permission for a period of eighteen months with the proviso that further permission will be required for an extension beyond that time.

Brick Kiln Farm Development Proposals – A229 Speed Limit Reduction to 30mph

A letter had been received from Charles Church Ltd outlining their proposal to apply to KCC for a Traffic Regulation Order to reduce the speed limit on the A229 from 40mph to 30mph between the junctions with Orchard Way (to the south) and Oatfield Drive (to the north). Members discussed the proposal but agreed that the Parish Council should respond with a request that the 30mph reduction be extended to where the 50mph limit ends at the south side of Hartley to the roundabout at Wilsley Pound to the north to avoid constant changes in the speed limit over a short distance.

TRAINING:

Cllr. Fermor agreed to present an application at the next meeting.

DECISIONS:

Cllr. Bunyan read out the decisions received from the Borough Council.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:

No items were raised.