Kingsbridge Town Council

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 5 APRIL 2016 AT 6.00 P.M. IN QUAY HOUSE

Present: Cllr Robin Griffin (Chairman)

Cllr Tom Coulthard Cllr Martina Edmonds Cllr Wayne Grills Cllr Kate Lynn Cllr Chris Povey

In Attendance: Cllr Irene Jeeninga

District Cllr Rufus Gilbert Nine Members of Public Martin Johnson (Secretary)

15/117 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

Public Open Forum

Robin and Christine East, 57 Embankment Road, stated that they had concerns regarding the annex being built at Widegates, Embankment Road. The build was different to the planning permission (28/1630/15/F) as a wall appeared to be at least 4 to 5 feet higher. He had submitted a formal Planning Breach Notification to South Hams District Council (SHDC) dated 1 April 2016. However, the architect had informed him that a mistake had been made and the wall would be taken down. It therefore appeared that a satisfactory conclusion had been reached.

Peter and Angela Betteridge, 54 Embankment Road, also had concerns with the build taking place at Widegates and that the above parapet had not been included on the plans. They were concerned that similar unapproved alterations could take place elsewhere at the development.

Kelvin Ellis, Quay Top, Springfield Drive, stated that he objected to planning application 0496/16/FUL (use of open space/amenity land for domestic parking). Three new houses in the locale had already added further vehicular traffic and the earmarked land should be returned to its natural state.

Rob Warner, Foxley, Springfield Drive, also stated his objections to the above planning application. Vehicles would be required to reverse out of the proposed parking spaces into Ropewalk close to the junction with Ilbert Road and then use private driveways further up Springfield Drive in order to turn around to exit.

Julian Dorey, 21 Fosse Road, was the applicant for planning application 2919/15/FUL (erection of single dwelling and office/light industrial unit at Coombe Works). He had purchased the land 5 years ago and wished to develop a home for his family and a commercial unit which would employ 12 persons. The proposal was

within the Kingsbridge Site Allocations K4 development boundary which earmarked mixed use development beyond 2016. He had undertaken pre-application discussions with SHDC planning officers. Both the single dwelling and commercial unit would be built beyond current building specifications to include a zinc roof and silicon render/plain panel finishes. The intention would be to develop the commercial unit immediately and to build the dwelling when monies were available.

Members asked questions and Cllr Griffin thanked all members of public for their statements.

15/118 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

15/119 PLANNING DECISIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

DECISIONS

The following decisions regarding planning applications were received from SHDC:

119.1 0054/16/HHO

Decision: Conditional Approval

Case Officer: Sarah Carroll
Decision date: 29 February 2016

Site: 28 Linhey Close, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1LL

Proposal: Householder application for extension to existing bedroom

above existing garage, within same footprint, and balcony above

extension from living room.

KTC: Recommended Approval

119.2 3063/15/LBC

Decision: Listed Building Consent

Case Officer: Richard Gage Decision date: 3 March 2016

Site: 32 Fore Street, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1PB

Proposal: Listed building consent to install a Radon Gas Mitigation System

due to high readings within the bank.

KTC: Recommended Approval

119.3 3092/15/HHO

Decision: Conditional Approval

Case Officer: Sarah Carroll
Decision date: 7 March 2016

Site: Belle Cross Farm House, Belle Cross Road, Kingsbridge,

TQ7 2DY

Proposal: Householder application for extension to kitchen and dining

room

KTC: Recommended Approval

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received:

119.4 From Mr R Warner an email (to SHDC; copy to KTC) objecting to planning application 0496/16/FUL for domestic parking at Springfield Drive, Kingsbridge.

It was **RESOLVED** to note the above planning decisions and correspondence.

15/120 TREE DECISIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND WORKS

The following decision regarding tree works was received from SHDC:

Trees in a Conservation Area – Notification to Undertake Works

Application No. 160487- 0430/16 TCA

Proposal: T1, 2, 3, 5 & 6 Silver Birch - reduce height to 2m and reshape

T4 Hornbeam - trim by 1m

T7 Hornbeam – 0.5m reduction in height and shape

T8 Ash – 0.5m reduction in height and shape

T9 Sycamore - trim & reshape - no reduction intended.

Location: Windsor Court, Windsor Road, Kingsbridge

KTC: Recommended Approval

It was **RESOLVED** to note the above tree works decision and for Cllrs Griffin and Lynn to review the works on completion.

15/121 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were received from SHDC for consideration:

121.1 2919/15/FUL

Proposal: Erection of single dwelling and erection of an office/light

industrial unit (use class B1) and creation of extended parking

tor cars

Location: Coombe Works, Derby Road, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1JL

Applicant: Mr & Mrs J Dorey

Case Officer: Tom French

Members noted the applicant's presentation during the Public Open Forum, the proposal was within allocated site K4, and SHDC Environmental Health comments regarding residential/business amenity and relation to the NPFF.

Recommend APPROVAL

121.2 2595/15/HHO

Proposal: Retrospective application for replacement hedge Location: Wits End, The Promenade, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1JF

Applicant: Mr J Jacobs
Case Officer: Sarah Carroll

Members noted an objection from a member of public. Moreover, the applicant had proposed the retention of a fence in situ which contrasted with SHDC's notice for a replacement hedge. Therefore Members agreed to make recommendations on both scenarios.

Recommend REFUSAL for the retention of a 1.7m high wooden fence on the grounds that it was totally out of keeping and too obtrusive in the street scene i.e. inappropriate landscaping/means of enclosure. It was further Recommended that no decision could be made for a new hedge until further information was supplied i.e. species and potential height.

121.3 0496/16/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of open space/amenity land to domestic parking

Location: Land at SX 73407 44033, Springfield Drive, Kingsbridge,

TQ7 1HG

Applicant: Mrs V Browne Case Officer: Clare Stewart

Members noted objections received during the Public Open Forum, representations on SHDC's website, and that access and visibility was difficult.

Recommend REFUSAL on the grounds of highway safety, increased traffic generation and adverse impact on green space. Moreover, no vehicles should park informally at the proposed development location without planning permission and the area should be returned to amenity/green space.

121.4 0622/16/FUL

Proposal: Retrospective application for amendments to planning approval

28/2591/12/F for conversion of store to single dwelling

Location: Store off Coronet Place, Fore Street, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1BT

Applicant: Mrs L M Lee
Case Officer: Richard Gage

Recommend APPROVAL

121.5 0623/16/LBC

Proposal: Retrospective listed building consent for amendments to

planning approval 28/2592/12/LBC for conversion of store to

single dwelling

Location: Store off Coronet Place, Fore Street, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1BT

Applicant: Mrs L M Lee
Case Officer: Richard Gage

Recommend APPROVAL

121.6 0688/16/FUL

Proposal: Installation of 2 air conditioning units to ground floor

Location: 29 Fore Street, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1AA

Applicant: Beers LLP Case Officer: Richard Gage

Recommend APPROVAL

121.7 0427/16FUL

Proposal: Amendments and revisions to previous planning approval

28/1630/15/F for the erection of 2 new dwellings and associated

garage and landscaping on site of previously demolished

dwelling

Location: Widegates, 56 Embankment Road, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1LA

Applicant: Mr T Slade
Case Officer: Matthew Jones

Members noted concerns received during the Public Open Forum, a planning breach notification, and that the original plans were explicit however, the new plans with substantial amendments/revisions were unclear.

Recommend REFUSAL on the grounds that there was insufficient detail in the plans for the layout, design, visual appearance and finishing materials and particularly a lack of elevations to identify views from the estuary.

It was **RESOLVED** to forward the above planning consultation findings to SHDC Development Management.

15/122 ANY FURTHER CURRENT PLANNING MATTERS

122.1 Cllr Grills reported that at a recent meeting with SHDC's Leader and Senior Officers the authority's website/planning portal had been discussed. He had subsequently provided further details and received an encouraging response that SHDC had targeted current issues.

122.3 Origin3 were likely to present concept proposals for a residential development off Belle Hill at a future committee meeting and confirmation was anticipated shortly.

15/123 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 19 April 2016 at 6.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 6.55 p.m.