

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on 07 April 2011 commencing at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr. Mrs. Dawson (Vice-Chairman in the Chair)

Cllrs. Arnold, Brookbank, Mrs. Broomby, Cooke, Davison, Gaywood, Maskell, McGarvey, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Parkin, Ryan, Underwood and Walshe.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Bosley, Piper and Scholey.

67. MINUTES

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on 10 March 2011 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

68. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST OR PREDETERMINATION

Cllrs. Mrs. Dawson and Mrs. Parkin declared personal interests in respect of minute number 70 as they were members of the Sevenoaks District Council Access Group.

69. DECLARATIONS OF LOBBYING

Cllrs. Arnold, Mrs. Broomby, Cooke, Gaywood, Maskell, Mrs. Parkin, Ryan, Underwood and Walshe each declared that they had been lobbied in respect of Item 5.01 - SE/10/03224/FUL: Mercantile, Kingsingfield Road, West Kingsdown.

70. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered the following planning application:

Item 5.01 - SE/10/03224/FUL: Mercantile, Kingsingfield Road, WEST KINGSDOWN

The report advised that the partially retrospective application comprised of proposals for the formation of a hardstanding area for parking, a wheel chair ramp and installation of a sewage treatment plant. It was noted that the application had been referred to the Committee by the local Members due to concerns that the development of the site may be inappropriate within the Green Belt. Officers stated that the proposed scheme was considered to be appropriate development within the Green Belt as it would not detrimentally impact upon the open character and appearance of the Green Belt and would not harm the existing residential amenity or the character and appearance of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB).

The Committee was addressed by the following speakers:

Against the Application:	Dr Pontone
For the Application:	Mr Bodsworth
Parish Representative:	-
Local Member:	-

During consideration of this item it was noted by Members that there were objections raised by the local parish council and residents. Members considered whether the

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proposed access ramp was wide enough. The majority of Members expressed the view that the application was an appropriate development within the Green Belt and AONB.

It was MOVED by the Chairman that the recommendation in the report be adopted. The motion was put to the vote and there voted –

11 votes in favour of the motion

3 votes against the motion

Resolved: SE/10/03224/FUL: That planning permission be GRANTED subject to the following conditions:

1) The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

In pursuance of section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2) Once occupation of the mobile home has ceased by Mr Bodsworth, the hardstanding and sewage treatment plant hereby permitted, shall be removed and the site shall be restored to its previous condition, or restored in accordance with a scheme that has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Council.

In order to preserve and enhance the character and appearance of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, in accordance with Policy C3 of the South East Plan and Policy LO8 of the Core Strategy.

3) The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: 1 unnumbered 1:2500 scaled location plan, 1 unnumbered 1:500 scaled block plan, 1 unnumbered 1:100 scaled proposed plan, 1:100 proposed elevation, 1 unnumbered 1:50 scaled elevation of sewage treatment plant received on 19/11/10.

For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

THE MEETING WAS CONCLUDED AT 7.50 P.M.

CHAIRMAN