MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF ONGAR TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 24th APRIL 2014 AT 7.30PM

PRESENT:

Councillors:

S. Jackman F. Knights J. Rushton

B. Surtees (Chair)

S. Adcock A. Kaye R. Prosser A. Wingfield

- P. Gode C. Knights
- D. Roberts

Officers: J. Cook (Deputy Clerk) Also present: One member of the public

254/13 Apologies for absence

No apologies for absence were received.

255/13 Declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interest

Cllr R. Prosser declared a personal non prejudicial interest in items 260/13 vi) and vii) EPF/0675/14 and EPF/0676/14 as the owner is known to him.

256/13 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda

One member of the public was present but did not wish to address the committee.

257/13 To agree the minutes of the meeting of the 10th April 2014

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th April were agreed as a true record and signed by the chairman.

258/13 Matters arising from the previous minutes

There were no matters arising.

259/13 Clerk's Report

It was reported that Cllr P. Keska was meeting with representatives of ECC Highways on 25th April. Councillors were asked to forward any comments or concerns to Cllr Keska via the office.

260/13 To consider current Planning Applications:-

RESOLVED NOT TO OBJECT but to comment:

i) EPF/0352/14 – Mr E Bartlett, 204 High Street, Ongar

Grade II listed building consent to remove existing roof tiles, lay felt on roof joists and re-tile roof using existing slate where possible. *Ongar Town Council do not object to this application subject to approval by EFDC conservation Officer.*

ii) EPF/0353/14 – Mrs J Lyall, 4 Battle Court, Ongar Replacement UPVC windows. Ongar Town Council do not object to this application subject to approval by EFDC conservation Officer.

iii) EPF/0568/14 – Mr D Rona, Dyers, Stanford Rivers Road, Ongar

Alterations to house windows and side extension. Removal and replacement of existing garage with a cart lodge style garage. Removal of conservatory, reinstate original driveway.

Ongar Town Council do not object to this application subject to approval by EFDC

conservation Officer.

iv) EPF/0581/14 – Mr D Rona, Dyers, Stanford Rivers Road, Ongar

Grade II listed building application for alterations to house windows and side extension. Removal and replacement of existing garage with a cart lodge style garage. Removal of conservatory, reinstate original driveway.

Ongar Town Council do not object to this application subject to approval by EFDC conservation Officer.

v) EPF/0675/14 – Greene King, Royal Oak, 99 High Street, Ongar

Hanging sign (illuminated by LED trough lights) and 10x non illuminated wall mounted signs).

Ongar Town Council do not object to the non-illuminated signs and do not object to the illuminated sign provided that the light output is no greater than the existing.

vi) EPF/0676/14 – Greene King, Royal Oak, 99 High Street, Ongar

Grade II listed building for hanging sign (illuminated by LED trough lights) and 10x non illuminated wall mounted signs. Ongar Town Council do not object to the non-illuminated signs and do not object to the illuminated sign provided that the light output is no greater than the existing.

RESOLVED NOT TO OBJECT:

vii) EPF/0587/14 – Mr R Berry, 9 Victoria Road, Ongar Loft conversion with dormer window to front.

261/13 Applications noted where the Council has no right of representation:-

i) EPF/0381/14 – Mrs S Gibbons, 26 Fyfield Road, Ongar Application for approval of details reserved by condition 1 'opening hours', condition 3 'refuse', condition 4 'foul and surface water', condition 5 'fumes' and condition 6 'noise' of planning permission EPF/2190/12 (Change of use from A1 to A3 and A5 with extension flue and changes to shop front.)

ii) EPF/0673/14 - Mr K Hubbard, Greengates, Drapers Corner, Ongar Certificate of lawful development for proposed construction of detached building.

262/13 To note the decisions of EFDC on recent applications None received.

263/14 Implications of changes to property development regime

This item should read the Implications of changes to planned development changes.

Councillors were concerned that the relaxation of the planning rules may be to the detriment of neighbouring properties.

AGREED

Cllr B. Surtees to refer the Council's concerns to the Epping Forest Association of Local Councils and to progress as determined by that meeting.

264/13 Unlisted items for consideration at forthcoming meetings

Cllr B. Surtees raised concerns about the difficulties of parking in Ongar. It was reported that Ongar Town Forum would be requesting a meeting with North Essex Parking Partnership. Cllr Surtees asked for this item to be included on a future committee agenda.

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The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Signed:

Chair of the Planning & Environment Committee

Date: