WEST KINGSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning and General Purpose Committee held Monday 11th October 2021 Old School Hall School Lane West Kingsdown at 7.30pm.

Members of the Parish Council:

Cllr Watchorn (Chairman) Cllr I Bosley, Cllr Mrs P Bosley, Cllr D King, Cllr R Spiller, Cllr D Land, Cllr Mrs M Richards, and Cllr L Spencer.

Apologies for Absence: Cllr Gray, Cllr Holdstock and Cllr Christie

Declarations of Interest:

Plans:

SE/21/02832/FUL: Syam Nevah and Lombard, Fawkham Road: Demolish existing two bungalows and outbuilding. Erection of five dwellings with parking spaces, access road and gates. Amended drawings.

Comment

SE/21/02964/FUL: 136 Hever Avenue:

Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a new structure to contain no.6 2 bed flats.

Objection

TPO

Stanwell House - A TPO has been confirmed under the Town and Country Planning ACT 1990 Following =SDC visit and inspection to the loss of an oak tree by 136 Hever Avenue the tree officer has visited the site and placed a TPO on the large oak tree outside 138 Hever Avenue for its future protection.

Noted

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General Purpose Committee

Members of the Parish Council:

Cllr Mrs M Richards (Chairman), Cllr I Bosley, Cllr Mrs P Bosley, Cllr D King, Cllr R Spiller, Cllr Mrs J Watchorn, Cllr D Land, and Cllr L Spencer.

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Declarations of Interest: Declaration by Cllr Richards for item relating to allotments.

Footpaths:

A report written by Mr Barry and Mrs Lawrence and delivered to the Parish Office had been circulated to Members along with the response from KCC Mr Munn. Members were asked to discuss and address any action that they consider reasonable for KCC to take. It was proposed by Cllr P Bosley and seconded by Cllr King that to enable Members to make an informed decision that members should meet on site and then at the Pavilion to discuss their findings before approaching KCC.

AGREED

Correspondence:

A letter had been received informing that Dartford Borough Council has published the pre submission Dartford Local Plan 2021 under regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning regulations 2012. Any comments can be submitted to the Secretary of State as part of the independent examination process. The consultation period is from 15th September to 27th October and can be found on www.dartford.gov.uk

Allotments Vernon Close: This item was led by Cllr P Bosley as Cllr Richards had declared An interest

More information had been provided by Mr Dalton for Members to consider the options regarding polytunnel and greenhouse on land currently vacant behind the Vernon Close Allotments. The sizes were given and pictures shown of the proposed and also of the land proposed for the siting. The structure would not be seen from London Road. This was being considered to go onto otherwise waste land and being considered as an individual case, access would be through from the allotment plot in the front. It was proposed by Cllr Land and seconded by Cllr I Bosley to give permission for a poly tunnel to be sited on the waste land

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Tree works

58, Millfield Road, Field Maple and Ash

The land is registered to the Parish Council and therefore a quote has been obtained to carry out works to the tree overhanging the adjacent garage and to cut back all brambles so the area can be kept neat and included in the ground contract on renewal

The woks is as follows quoted by SL Treecare

Ash and Field Maple alongside the property:Reduce back from the building by approx 2.5m to the boundary.Strim / Brush cut the Brambles from the area £450.00

TPC

Sevenoaks TPO Mapping is ambiguous regarding the status of the Ash and Maple. It would be prudent to check with Sevenoaks Planning before assuming the trees are protected or not. To carry out works that require permission or notify works that are exempt please apply to the Council (for free) or SL TreeCare Ltd can apply on your behalf for a fee of £50+Vat to be payable in advance.

Total Value: £500.00 Vat (20%): £100.00 TOTAL Inc Vat: £600.00

It was Proposed by Cllr P Bosley and seconded by Cllr King that the quote be accepted **ALL IN FAVOUR**

Side of 24 - 26, Millfield Road,

A quote from SL Treecare had previously been received and presented at September Parish Council meeting, Cllr Watchorn was going to look at the trees and reports back to GP before Members consider the quote below.

TPO trees - Three Ash trees .

Reduce back towards boundary by approx 2m.Remove significant deadwood and ivy to allow more light into the adjacent property £600.00

TPO / Conservation Area Permission. To carry out works that require permission or notify works that are exempt please apply to the Council (for free) or SL TreeCare Ltd can apply on your behalf for a fee of £50+Vat

Total Value: £650.00 Vat(20%): £130.00 TOTAL Inc Vat: £780.00

It was proposed by Clir Watchorn and seconded by Clir I Bosley that the quote be accepted **ALL IN FAVOUR**

Burial Ground - New Area

The District Valuation office cannot take on any extra work and two local chartered estate agents, McConnells and Ibbett Mosley have been asked to quote to value the land prior to any further discussions with the land owner The Clerk would update Members when information has been received.

Office computer

We now have two quotes one from Martin Stoneham from Dell and the second from Swanley computers the report and summary of what system is recommended was tabled. Members considered the information, to replace the office computer and purchase a laptop, with up to date software and installation costs, agreeing to a large laptop screen. It was therefore proposed by Cllr P Bosley, seconded by Cllr King, to accept the proposal, agree a budget up to £2000 and ask the Clerk to pourchase the equipment.

ALL IN FAVOUR

Pavilion

Windows and doors

The fire doors require replacing as they are rotten, the windows and doors are requiring extensive varnishing and repair and with covid restriction and the health and safety executive requiring ventilation, there are no opening large window at the pavilion. A covid restart grant has been applied for by the Clerk to a maximum of £10,000 and an answer is expected soon as the closing date has past.

The quote is to replace the two rear fire doors with UPVC all the windows in the Pavilion kitchen area, with a large opening window to the front of the building and the double doors would be disabled friendly with low thresholds to access. The quote received from Collins improvement as part of the grant application was for the sum of £9,947.00 + VAT £1,989.40 **TOTAL £11,936.40**

The Clerk updated Members that the Grant of £9,500 had been awarded and would cover most of the cost, It was proposed by Cllr I Bosley and seconded by Cllr King to accept this quote for Pavilion windows and doors

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Kitchen - Pavilion

The cooker and fridge are well used and they are both original to the building. Both are in need of updating and would be of a higher economical rating to make them energy efficient A quote has been received from Wholesale appliance Ltd in West Kingsdown for the total sum of £467.41 This is for an Indesit larder fridge and a new fan assisted electric oven with grill

It was proposed by Cllr Land and seconded by Cllr King to accept this quote and providing not a plastic back purchase a new fridge and cooker.

ALL IN FAVOUR

Remembrance parade:

The Royal British Legion and Parish Council were looking for one more volunteer to help this year following the loss of David Diboll, Members are asked to consider volunteering to stand at one of the road closures as directed by the Royal British Legion the service to be held on Sunday 14th November between 10.30 and 12 noon the road will be closed only whilst the parade walks down Fawkham Road to stop cars pulling out of Southfields Road and Warlands Road. Cllr King volunteered

October/November Meetings

Planning and Parish Council Meeting: Wednesday 27th October 2021 : Main Hall, Old School, School Lane 7.30pm

Planning and General purpose Committee Meeting: Monday 8th November 2021 Main Hall, Old School, School Lane 7.30pm

Finance meeting- grants Monday 8th November 2021 Main Hall, Old School, School Lane 7.30pm

Planning and Parish Council Meeting: Wednesday 24th November 2021 : Main Hall, Old School, School Lane 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 9pm