

NEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Planning Committee of Newick Parish Council held at Newick Sports Pavilion, King George V Playing Field, Allington Road, Newick, on Tuesday 14th January 2020 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors: C. Armitage, B. Hodge, M. Thew,
B. Whitlock, and C. Wickens (Chairman of this committee)

Non-councillor committee member – Mr J Lucas

In Attendance Two members of the public

An audio recording was made of the meeting

- 1. Apologies for Absence** – Apologies received from Cllrs. K Tibbs and T Whitlock.
- 2. Disclosure by Members of personal interest in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.** Mr Lucas advised the committee that he lived close to 45 Allington Road.
- 3. Questions or Statements by Members of the Public –**

Mr Turk spoke expressing concern about growth and expansion of Newick. He urged Councillors to pressurise the District Council into recognising the merits of Newick as a village. He stated that he felt new housing should be sited within the parts of Lewes District where that housing would create a benefit, just as Newick benefitted from large expansion in the 1960s and 70s. Mr Turk challenged the Committee as to whether they think that Newick residents want to see continuous expansion.

Cllr. Wickens thanked Mr Turk and confirmed that the Newick Neighbourhood plan would be on the agenda at the next Parish Council meeting.

4. Planning Applications

LW/19/0793 LW/19/0794	55 Church Road Demolish and replace existing rear single storey extension with single storey rear extension featuring lantern rooflight <i>It was unanimously agreed to make no comment on this application.</i>
LW/19/0880	6 Church Road Removal of modern concrete floor and the reduction of floor level <i>It was unanimously agreed to make no comment on this application.</i>
LW/19/0898/CD	Newick Park Newick Park Road Discharge of conditions 2,6,7,8 (LW/19/0507) <i>It was unanimously agreed to make no comment on this application</i>

<p>LW/19/0911</p>	<p>92 Allington Road Creation of Detached Dwelling, extension to existing dwelling and associated parking</p> <p><i>It was unanimously agreed to Object to this application for the following reasons;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application contravenes HO1.5, parking should be towards the rear of the homes rather than in front of them. - The site is according to LLP2 is 'an area of established character' and therefore building would contravene Policy DM34: Areas of Established Character, as the proposed development does not 'reflect(s) the existing character of the area in terms of the gaps between buildings, site coverage, etc' - -It also contravenes Policy HO1.1 of NNP as it doesn't respect the established sense of place and local character of the existing buildings. - It contravenes Policy DM25 in LLP2 which seeks to encourage development which contributes towards local character and distinctiveness through high quality design. We consider it doesn't meet the following criteria numbers 1, 5, 6 and 7: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Its siting, layout, density, and orientation does not respond sympathetically to the characteristics of the development site, or relationship with its immediate surroundings (5) adequate consideration has not been given to the spaces between and around buildings to ensure that they are appropriate to their character (6) car parking is not appropriate to the context and is designed so that it does dominate the public realm (7) there will be unacceptable adverse impact on the amenities of neighbouring properties in terms of privacy, noise, odour and activity levels - The application refers to 'sustainable transport' which is misleading due to the limited bus service available in Newick - The site is close the Newick Primary School and the road is overwhelmed with traffic and parking issues twice a day during term time. <p>It was agreed that the Clerk would ask the District Councillor and the District Council for this application to be considered at Planning Committee if the planning officer recommended approval of the application</p>
<p>LW/19/0921</p>	<p>39 High Hurst Close Amendment to planning application LW/19/0677 for new first floor bedroom above ground floor extension</p>

	<i>It was unanimously agreed to make no comment on this application.</i>
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4.1 Approvals/Refusals etc. – It was noted that the following applications had been **approved** by Lewes District Council:-

LW/19/0696 Quineys Cornwell's Bank Hip to gable extension and loft conversion of existing chalet bungalow, new external wall finishes and new detached outbuilding following demolition of existing outbuilding and log store.

LW/19/0866 Sharpsbridge Farm, Sharpsbridge Lane Alterations to the HV overhead lines at Sharpsbridge Farm.

LW/19/0841 The Barn Newick Hill Proposed non material amendment in relation to planning application LW/19/0083 (drawings)

It was noted that the following applications had been **refused** by Lewes District Council: -

LW/19/0385 55 Allington Road Demolition of existing dwelling & construction of 9 bungalows

The following update was noted;

15 High Hurst Close - Cllr Wickens reported that this appeal has been dismissed.

4.2 Tree Works Applications - None

4.3 Update re complaint of non-consultation by Planning Inspectorate – This was discussed after item 5

- 5. Update re Mitchelswood appeal** – Cllr. Wickens reported that the dates for the Inquiry have now been pencilled in for 21st – 24th April 2020. The Hearing for 55 Allington Road has been pencilled in for 25th February. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact the Village Hall bookings secretary to forewarn them of the dates. The Clerk advised that the latest correspondence regarding Mitchelwood invited further comments to be made by 6th February 2020, this is to be added to the Parish Council agenda for January.

4.3 Update re complaint of non-consultation by Planning Inspectorate – The clerk reported that she was now receiving paper copies of appeals. Cllr Wickens reported that she has registered for all cases of interest online Clerk to Action

6 Update re Woods Fruit Farm - none

7 To agree response for appeal 45 Allington Road – a draft document was circulated prior to the meeting and the response was agreed subject to two minor alterations – Clerk to action.

8. Update re appeal for LW/19/0517 Land Adjacent to The Rough And Vernons Road – It was noted that the residents of the area surrounding the site had nominated a planning consultant who prepared a document on their behalf for the appeal. This document was circulated to members of the Council at the start of January.

9. Newick Neighbourhood Plan – It was agreed that this will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting following a training session. It was also discussed that reviewing the plan didn't mean changing it. It was stated that the review may result in no action being taken or adding appendixes.

- 10. **Planning Resource** – To note any articles of particular interest – Cllr. Armitage reported that he hasn't received articles and it was agreed that the Clerk would resend. Cllr. Hodge reported that Wealden Council has received criticism by Planning Inspectorate, and it was agreed that the article would be circulated by Cllr. Hodge.
- 11. **Lewes Local Plan update** – It was confirmed this is complete and due to be adopted 24th February 2020.
- 12. **CIL update** – no updates or applications. It was agreed to add an article into the next newsletter.
- 13. **Items for the next agenda** – It was agreed that the usual items should be on the next agenda and the hearing for 45 Allington Road.

The Meeting Closed at 7.55 p.m.

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