

EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE – MONDAY 15th July 2024 at 7.00PM

Committee: Cllr L Gibbs (Chair)*
Cllr C Pond (Vice Chair in the Chair)
Cllr S Ody (Town Mayor)*
Cllr J Belsey (Deputy Town Mayor)*
Councillors: Godwin, Mockford, Peacock*, Scott and Whittaker*
*= absent
** = present on zoom (this does not qualify as present for decision making)

Also Present: Cllr Barnett, the Town Clerk and one member of public,

96 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was a question concerning the appeal application, as to where Leppard Walk is located. It was advised that it is the old Tower Car Sales room off Tower Court. It has been renamed with the new development at Leppard Walk.

97 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were noted for:

Cllr Gibbs	Unwell
Cllr Peacock	Personal Commitment
Cllr Whittaker	Personal Commitment

Substitution : It was RESOLVED: that Cllr Barnett was substituting for Cllr Gibbs.

98 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th June having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

99 **DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL & PREJUDICIAL INTEREST FROM MEMBERS**

DM/24/1347/HOU - Cllr Mockford is friends with the applicant so would not take part in the discussion nor vote, she left the room for this discussion.

100 **CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chair advised that we have been asked for updates on Queensmere House in Queens Road (the old sussex central college building). The clerk has contacted the developer's agent in East Grinstead to ask for an update. No reply has yet been received. We note that the planning consent may have run out, there has been no movement for three years. We will advise when we know more

The Clerk has circulated the update on the Guinness Trust development on Blackwell Farm Road, the update is that the contract has been back out to tender and they expect building work to recommence in November.

The District plan has been submitted under regulation 22, with expectation that it be examined by the inspector in the autumn / winter.

101 APPEAL – AP/24/0033

The Chair introduced the appeal and advised the Council's response to the original application. This was noted by the committee and no further representation would be made by the Council.

102 MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING APPLICATIONS (INCLUDING PROTECTED TREES)

RESOLVED: That Mid Sussex District Council be informed that the observations of the Town Council, on the applications set out in the appendix to these Minutes, are as indicated in column 4 thereof.

The Chairman advised that the next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on **Monday 5th August 2024** and closed the meeting at 7.29pm.

Signed

Chair

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Plan No. (1)	Location & Applicant (2)	Proposal (3)	Town Council's Observations (4)	M.S.D.C. Decisions
DM/24/0676/FUL Ashplats North	Orchard Farm Cottages Holtze Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3PP A Sheikh	Reinstating of approved landscaping and proposal of hardscaping with associated fencing layout reconfiguration. Description amended 22.07.2024 to include retrospective change of use of adjoining paddock to hardstanding area serving cottages. Amended plans received to clarify landscaping works as constructed and proposed changes.	The Committee had no specific comment on this application but no objections	
DM/24/0886/FUL Herontye & Ashplats South	3 Morton Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4AF Mr & Mrs Drillsma	Demolition of an existing garage and replacement with a two storey proposal with a garage on the ground floor and a home office / additional amenity space on the first floor accessed via a new spiral staircase.	Committee of 5 th August noted that this has been considered by the committee before. The committee did not feel there had been significant changes from 14 th May Committee. They continue to support approval, providing the year round safety of access has been considered by the officers.	
DM/24/1457/HOU Ashplats North	50 Blackwell Farm Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3JN R Coomber	Demolition of existing lean-to at rear of property and erection of single storey rear extension.	The Committee of 5 th August had no specific comment on this application but no objections	
DM/24/1535/FUL Imberhorne	St Faith Dental Clinic 2 Halsford Park Road East Grinstead West Sussex Mr R Simmonds	First floor extension and associated works	The Committee of 5 th August would support this application.	

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DM/24/1593/HOU Herontye & Ashplats South	46 Morton Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4AG C/o agent	Proposed single storey rear conservatory.	The Committee had no specific comment on this application but no objections	
DM/24/1600/HOU EG South	The Cottage Coombe Hill Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4LZ Mrs J Simmonds	Proposed two storey side and rear extension to rear of existing detached garage	Committee of 5 th August would support approval. The Committee are concerned as to the outbuilding being possible to be separated from the main building which they would not wish to see.	
DM/24/1682/HOU Town South	Clays West Lane East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4HH Mr & Mrs Lyons	(Retrospective) extension to loggia, outbuilding internal alterations, shed and car port	Committee of 5 th August noted this was a retrospective application and was now complete. The committee concurred with the tree officer comments as to any damage which may have occurred, and if this is the case would ask for retribution by the applicant regarding any damaged trees. Otherwise, as the work is complete they would support approval of the application.	
DM/24/1732/TREE Ashplats North	1 Beacon Rise East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3FR Mr D Taylor	T1 Oak - overall crown reduction to maximum of 3 meters. Crown thinning of 10 percent. Crown lifting to 2.5 meters above ground.	The Committee of 5 th August have no objection subject to no adverse report from the Mid Sussex DC tree officer.	

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DM/24/1776/HOU Ashplats North	24 Blackwell Farm Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3JN R O'Connell	Front porch extension.	The Committee had no specific comment on this application but no objections	
DM/24/1810/TREE Baldwins	Land At Dorset Avenue East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1PZ Mr M Du Preez	Proposed works: re-pollard at approx. 5m above ground level leaving minor furnishing growth	The Committee of 5 th August have no objection subject to no adverse report from the Mid Sussex DC tree officer.	