

MINUTES of the PLANNING COMMITTEE

Held in the Council Chamber
on **Tuesday 29 August 2023**

Present: David Eggleton Chairman
Janice Henwood Vice Chairman

Graham Allen*
Diane Black
Christine Cherry
Bob Foster
Tofojjul Hussain*
John Orchard

Also Present: Brenda Williams

* *Denotes non-attendance.*

(19.00)

48. OPEN FORUM

There were five members of the public present.
Four members of the public spoke on application DM/23/1647.

The first speaker raised concerns over a tower-like structure around the back of the building, which had been extended multiple times, and also did not have any planning permission. He asked if the Committee could assure residents that the structure was safe, and would meet all relevant building legislation.

The second speaker gave some background on the application, stating that it had been eighteen months since the first installation on the site. She stated that the residents of Victoria Close had been in close contact with the Planning Office and Environmental Health for the whole time, and that she had sent in many pictures of the tower mentioned by the first speaker. She explained that the noise levels were very high, and that the site was sometimes in use at 6am on Sunday mornings. She stated that they were not adhering to an order in place to stop them, but that the business was continuing to create a large level of noise at early hours. Also mentioned was the possibility of an accommodation block around the back of the building, and suspicions that someone may be living on-site.

The third speaker expressed her concern over the retrospective nature of the application, stating concern that not all building work on the site had been cleared with planning ahead of its installation. She explained that residents

were struggling with the levels of noise, stating that she could no longer use her garden. Despite being in contact with environmental health over the noise levels, nothing had changed in the eighteen months, and residents were becoming sick with the stress.

The fourth speaker reiterated the information provided by other residents, stating that the noise level went on every weekend, from early morning into the evening. He stated that he had previously been awakened at 4:30am by noise from the site.

Councillor Eggleton reminded the public that the Town Council Planning Committee were only consultees and it was not their place to look into the legal aspects of applications. He stated that the District Council would ensure that applications adhered to regulations, and that in their capacity as Town Councillors, the Committee would apply the appropriate pressure to assist residents.

49. [APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE](#)

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Graham Allen and Tofojju Hussain.

50. [SUBSTITUTES](#)

There were none.

51. [DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST](#)

Councillors Henwood and Cherry advised that with regard to any comment(s) they may make on any planning application on tonight's agenda, they reserved the right to alter their views on any application and submission should it come before the Mid Sussex District Council Planning Committees, following reading the planning officer's report, considering any verbal update the planning officer may provide and taking into account the views expressed by other members or members of the public at that meeting.

Councillors Henwood and Cherry declared a personal interest in every Licensing application on the agenda as they are members of the District Council Licensing Committee. They stated that any views they expressed were purely preliminary comments.

52. [CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS](#)

Vice Chairman, Janice Henwood, brought to the Committee's attention the application for 27 Noel Rise. She explained that it would be going to the Planning Committee at Mid Sussex District Council on 7 September. She explained that it had initially been recommended for approval, but that there were a vast number of complaints from residents.

53. [MINUTES](#)

The Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on **Monday 7 August** 2023, having been previously circulated, were **AGREED** and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

54. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Applications (as set out in the accompanying schedule) under the Town & Country Planning Act 1990, received by Mid Sussex District Council and forwarded for observations since **8 August** 2023, were considered.

55. LICENSE APPLICATIONS

1. **LI/23/1127** - A license application had been received for Kiosk 1, The Martlets, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 9NN.

RESOLVED that: The Committee noted the application.

2. **LI/23/1179** – A license application had been received for The Triangle, Triangle Way, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 8WA

RESOLVED that: The Committee noted the application.

3. **LI/23/1181** – A license application had been received for Top House, Keymer Road, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 0AD.

RESOLVED that: The Committee noted the application.

56. Meeting terminated at 19:51 hours.

OBSERVATIONS

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Victoria

DM/23/1647

Location: Multi Installations 27 Victoria Gardens Burgess Hill West Sussex

Desc: Retrospective installation of steel racking storage frame and powder coat oven.

Applicant: Mr Ril Pindoria

Multi Installations 27 Victoria Gardens Burgess Hill West Sussex
RH15 9NB

Case Officer: Andrew Clarke

App. Type: Full Application

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend Refusal. The Committee stated that the application contravened the following policies:

Mid Sussex District Plan:

DP26 – Character and Design. The application caused significant harm to existing amenities (back gardens).

DP29 – Noise, Air and Light Pollution. There had been no noise impact assessment submitted and the application was not designed or located to minimise impact on health.

Mid Sussex Design Guide:

DG48 – Design to minimise the impact of noise, air and light pollution.

DG45 – Privacy of existing and future residents (owing to the lack of noise insulation).

The Committee regretted the retrospective nature of the application.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - St Andrew's

DM/23/1874

Location: 72 Cants Lane Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0LS

Desc: Dropped kerb.

Applicant: Mr Chris Fair

72 Cants Lane Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0LS

Case Officer: Katherine Williams

App. Type: Householder Application

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend Approval.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Leylands

DM/23/1987

Location: 2 Forge Way Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 8PS
Desc: Installation of a modular ramp to the front and widening of the existing paved path adjoining neighbour's fence.
Agent: Miss Laura Bessiron
Amber Living Unit 3 Tungsten Building George Street Portslade Brighton BN41 1RA
Applicant: Mrs Ann Malins
2 Forge Way Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 8PS
Case Officer: Anna Tidey
App. Type: Householder Application

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend Approval.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Franklands

DM/23/2020

Location: 80 Oak Hall Park Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0DB
Desc: T1 - Oak, remove to ground level (Fell)
Agent: Mr Edward Wright
The Tree Men Southwater Horsham
Applicant: Mr Tony King
80 Oak Hall Park Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0DB
Case Officer: Irene Fletcher
App. Type: Tree Surgery

RECOMMENDATION: Objection. The Committee expressed concern over the lack of an arboricultural report.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Franklands

DM/23/0207

Location: Broadlands Keymer Road Burgess Hill West Sussex
Desc: Proposed single storey kitchen and utility extension to the west elevation. (Revised plans received 16.05.2023, 01.06.2023, 08.06.2023 and 13.06.2023. Revised description agreed 01.06.2023) (Proposed elevations received 08.08.2023)
Agent: BuchanRumArchitects
Buchan Rum Architects Ltd 9 Savill Road Lindfield RH16 2NY
Applicant: Emma Buchan
C/O Agent
Case Officer: Caroline Grist
App. Type: Householder Application

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend Approval.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Dunstall

DM/23/2023

Location: Holly Tree House Cuckfield Road Burgess Hill West Sussex
Desc: Demolition of existing dwelling. erection of replacement dwelling and annex building, 1no. dwelling house and detached garage, retention of existing vehicle access and creation of second access off Cuckfield road.
Agent: Miss Debbie Marriage
DJM Town Planning 16 Fairdene Southwick Brighton East Sussex BN42 4QN
Applicant: Mr Christopher Jones
Jones Architectural Projects Holly Tree House Cuckfield Road Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 8RE
Case Officer: Rachel Richardson
App. Type: Full Application

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend Approval.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Franklands

DM/23/2044

Location: Land Between 4 Bough Beeches and Birchwood Grove County Primary School Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0BT
Desc: T1 Oak - Remove 2-3 large dead/dying branches south of ditch line on Western aspect (towards road), reduce height of Southeast corner stem only (over garage roof only) by 2m, south of ditch line and closest to and over garage roof. Reduce lateral spread/overhanging branches over driveway/caravan by 2m close to previous/historic points of reduction to clear back from property.
Agent: Mr Marcus Brooke
Marcus Brooke Tree Services 26 Deacons Drive Portslade Brighton BN41 2FJ
Applicant: Mr Keith Ellis
4 Bough Beeches Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0BT
Case Officer: Irene Fletcher
App. Type: Tree Surgery

RECOMMENDATION: No Objection.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Franklands

DM/23/2046

Location: Woodlands Nursing Home 23 Silverdale Road Burgess Hill West Sussex

Desc: T1- Norway Maple - Reduce crown on NE side by up to 2M.

Agent: Justin Lee

J Lee Trees 37A Cuckfield Road Hurstpierpoint West Sussex
BN6 9RW

Applicant: Daniel Triggs

Dalewood Dalewood Gardens Burgess Hill West Sussex
RH15 0JA

Case Officer: Sarah Nelson

App. Type: Trees in a Conservation Area

RECOMMENDATION: No Objection.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Meeds and Hammonds

DM/23/2066

Location: Market Place Car Park Station Road Burgess Hill West Sussex

Desc: 3no. banner advertisements for Market Place Shopping Centre

Agent: Miss Kerry Csuka

Jones Lang LaSalle Limited 30 Warwick Street London
W1B 5NH

Applicant: C/O Agent

Jones Lang LaSalle Limited 30 Warwick Street London
W1B 5NH

Case Officer: Hamish Evans

App. Type: Advertisement Application

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend Approval.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Victoria

DM/23/2070

Location: Penbourne House Portland Road Burgess Hill West Sussex

Desc: Magnolia- reduce crown by 2.5 meters. Pear- crown reduce by 1 meter. Plum - fell. Eucalyptus - crown reduce by 3 meters. Fir trees x6 around perimeter of garden - crown reduce up 2 metres to clear telephone wires.

Applicant: Mrs Daphne Ward

Penbourne House Portland Road Burgess Hill West Sussex
RH15 9RL

Case Officer: Sarah Nelson

App. Type: Trees in a Conservation Area

RECOMMENDATION: No Objection to the reduction of the magnolia, pear, eucalyptus and fir trees. **Objection** to the felling of the plum, due to the lack of an arboricultural report.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Dunstall

DM/23/2087

Location: 14 Cornford Close Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 8TJ

Desc: T1 Maple - cut back vegetation by 2m. T2 Hornbeam - cut back vegetation by 3m. T3 and T4 Oaks - cut back lateral spread by 1 metre.

Agent: Mr Rich Harvey

Forest View Tree Surgery 2 Ivy Cottages Eastbourne Road Halland BN8 6PS

Applicant: Ms Joanne Green

14 Cornford Close Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 8TJ

Case Officer: Irene Fletcher

App. Type: Tree Surgery

RECOMMENDATION: No Objection.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Leylands

DM/23/2092

Location: 25 Coopers Close Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 8AN

Desc: Oak Tree (T36) - Reduce Crown by 3 metres and reduce branches extending into garden by 3 metres.

Applicant: Mr James White

25 Coopers Close Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 8AN

Case Officer: Irene Fletcher

App. Type: Tree Surgery

RECOMMENDATION: No Objection.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Franklands

DM/23/1993

Location: 13 Ravenswood Road Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0JG

Desc: Single storey, flat roof, rear extension incorporating roof light & internal alterations

Agent: Miss Hannah Gowlett

2 Woolven Close Burgess Hill RH15 9RR

Applicant: Miss Hannah Gowlett

13 Ravenswood Road Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0JG

Case Officer: Andrew Horrell

App. Type: Householder Application

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend Approval.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - Franklands

DM/23/2072

Location: Woodbarton Common Lane Ditchling Hassocks
Desc: Second storey extension and alteration to roof to existing side extension to accommodate additional bedroom.
Agent: Mr Jack Tompkins
Landivar Architects Limited Unit 3 29-42 Windsor Street
Brighton BN1 1RJ
Applicant: Mr and Mrs Duddridge
Woodbarton Common Lane Ditchling Hassocks East Sussex BN6 8TP
Case Officer: Andrew Horrell
App. Type: Householder Application

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend Approval.

Parish: Burgess Hill

Ward: Burgess Hill - St Andrew's

DM/23/2107

Location: 11 Johnson Drive Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0TT
Desc: T1 Oak - Reduce crown by 3m and remove dangerous overhanging branches.
Applicant: Mr Martin Storey
11 Johnson Drive Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0TT
Case Officer: Irene Fletcher
App. Type: Tree Surgery

RECOMMENDATION: No Objection.
