

**UNADOPTED
POLEGATE TOWN COUNCIL**

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 26 May 2009 in the Main Hall, Polegate Community Centre, Polegate at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs. T. Wright (Chair), J Harmer, Mrs C. Berry, G. Carter, Mrs M. Piper, J. Rogers, A. Watkins.

50 members of the public

In Attendance: Cllr. R. Martin

8615 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Barber and Voyce

8616 Election of Vice Chair

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to invite Cllr J Rogers to act in This capacity. Cllr J Rogers indicated his agreement to this proposal

8617 Declarations of interest in any items on the agenda

Cllr Wright – WD/2009/0759/MAJ personal and non prejudicial

8618 Minutes of the meeting held on 11 May 2009

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 May 2009 were adopted as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

8619 Matters arising from the meeting held on 11 May 2009

There were none.

8620 Planning applications:

**WD/2009/0759/MAJ Land to the South of Lynholm Road Polegate
Proposed site works to form access and construction of 9 No. one-
bedroomed flats, 12 No. Two-bedroomed Houses and 12 No. Three-
bedroomed Houses.**

Amended to layout/buildings at eastern end of site, amendment to proposed dwellings closest to No. 36-38 Lynholm Road, layout changes and landscape proposals changes.

It was agree by all to suspend standing orders.

STANDING ORDERS SUSPENDED

The following comments, concerns and objections were raised by members of the public

- Overdevelopment of the site
- The proposed skyline development would significantly harm the appearance and character of the area
- Additional traffic onto Pevensey Road and the subsequent increase in pollution

- Additional pressure on local services which are already stretched to the limit, particularly local schools and medical services
- Increase in through traffic speed following the road realignment
- The loss of privacy would create unsatisfactory living conditions for existing and potential residents
- Insufficient parking facilities for residents and visitors and therefore this would spill into surrounding roads.
- Incorrectly scaled drawings
- Risk to child safety due to increased traffic
- Essential services unable to access surrounding roads due to parking
- Disturbance to local wildlife i.e. foxes, badgers, wrens and owls.
- Design of dwelling are not in keeping with the surrounding area

It was commented on by several members of the public that they felt they were not given enough time for the consultation to take place. 14 days are allowed at this stage.

It was resolved that the Clerk would write to the WDC Chief Executive to express the residents and Councils concerns on this matter.

STANDING ORDERS REINSTATED

The Chair then opened the discussion to members and it was unanimously agreed that all were in favour of the public comments. The following objections were agreed:

- The proposed dwellings, by virtue of their siting, form, bulk, height and design, physical relationship to site boundaries and neighbouring dwellings would represent an unacceptable form of development of the site to the detriment of the residential amenities of adjoining dwellings.
- Although parking has been improved on this amended plan it is still considered that there is insufficient parking facilities for residents and visitors and vehicles would therefore spill onto surrounding roads.
- Additional traffic onto Pevensey Road and the subsequent increase in pollution
- Increase in through traffic speed following the road realignment
- Risk to child safety due to increased traffic
- Essential services unable to access surrounding roads due to parking
- Additional pressure on local services which are already stretched to the limit, particularly local schools and medical services
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8621 WD/2009/1014/F Road Policing Department, Gilda Crescent, Polegate

Demolition of 2 No. attached single garages and erection of single bay garage unit and associated works.

No objections

**8622 WD/2009/1082/F 18 St Johns Road Polegate
Demolition of existing sun room and construction of a single storey rear extensions.**

No objections

8623 Any other plans received prior to meeting

None received

8623 Delegated applications:

None

8624 Details of planning decisions:

Certificate of proposed use or development

WD/2009/0390/LDP 6 Brookside Avenue Polegate

Extension to rear of property

WD/2009/0850/LDP 58 Brookside Avenue, Polegate

Erection of conservatory at side of property.

Notices of Decisions

WD/2007/1054/MEA Planning Permission Granted

Land to the East of Shepham Lane Polegate (Local Plan PW2 Site)

The construction of 260 dwellings, a new roundabout access onto Dittons Road, an emergency access and footway/ Cycleway onto Shepham Lane, internal access roads, Footpaths and cycleways, open space areas and landscaping.

WD/2009/0274/F Planning Permission Granted

4 Wannock Drive Polegate

Extension at rear and increase height of roof to form Additional rooms in roof.

WD/2009/0490/F Planning Permission Granted

31 Dover Road Polegate

Erection of single storey side extension

3 Hailsham Road Polegate

Replace covered way at side with single storey extension and Change panel to front elevation

WD/2009/0804/FA Planning Permission Granted

9 Chaucer Industrial Estate Dittons Road Polegate

Removal of condition 2 from consent WD/2001/0101/F

8625 Correspondence

Consultation events on drafting a methodology for identifying traveller sites

For this purpose two consultation events are being held in June, one in the north and one in the south of the district, to which all district councillors and one representative from each parish/town council are invited. The events will include presentations from the District Council and their planning consultants and provide delegates with the opportunity to examine, discuss and consider the proposed draft site criteria.

Details of the events:

Monday 22nd June, 4.30 - 6.30pm, Hailsham East Community Centre

Wednesday 24th June, 4.30 - 6.30pm, Uckfield Civic Centre.

Cllr J. Rogers agreed to attend on 22 June.

8626 Planning updates and general information

None