

Date: **20.06.2023**  
Time: **19:00**  
Location: **Council Chamber, Town Hall**  
Present: **Councillors Makepeace, Ross, West and Baah**  
Officer Present: **Francesca Pridding, Interim Town Clerk**

## MINUTES

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### 1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any Declarations of Interest, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) on the agenda under Lewes Town Council's Code of Conduct issued in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, SI No.1464

None

### 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To note any apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Todd, Bird and Clarke

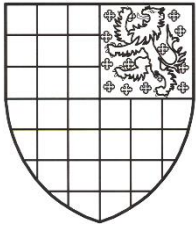
The Committee **RESOLVED** to bring item 5.13 forward on the Agenda due to interest from a member of the public seated in the public gallery

### 3 SDNP/23/01760/FUL

Retrospective erection of temporary site hoardings and gates on Eastgate Street frontage  
Former Bus Station Eastgate Street

**RESOLVED:** To OBJECT for the following reasons.

- The hoardings are not compliant with the requirements of the Lewes Conservation area.
- The hoardings are an unsightly redundant feature given that no planning permission has been granted for the demolition or change of use of the premises to which the hoardings purport to camouflage.
- The hoardings attract anti-social behaviour in the form of graffiti.



- The hoardings are covering a building of architectural value which has been registered as an Asset of Community Value
- The basis for much of the planning application is erroneous for example stating that the building behind the hoardings have not been used as a bus station since 2008 when it was functioning in 2022
- The development on the north side of Phoenix Causeway has not yet acquired planning permission, so it cannot be called “a provision” in respect of another development.
- The 3 bus stops on School Hill should not be considered appropriate alternatives as they are neither safe for road users nor comfortable for waiting travellers.
  - Traffic turning left from the junction of Friars Walk and School Hill do not have adequate sight of buses pulling out of the stops. There have been several occasions where this has led to confusion and potentially dangerous incidents.
  - In the rain, water is channeled over the feet of travellers waiting at the stops.
  - There are no refreshment facilities or toilet provision for travellers and drivers.

#### **4 SDNP ELECTIONS**

To nominate 2 persons from the ballot list for the South Downs National Park board

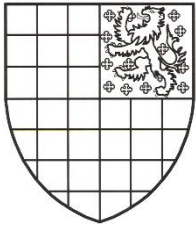
**RESOLVED:** To nominate Adrian Ross and Vanessa Rowland

#### **5 ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE**

To respond to the proposal to list Lewes Working Men's Club as an asset of community value, for a period of 5 years

**RESOLVED:** To SUPPORT the proposal to allow the Working Men's Club to be registered as an Asset of Community Value and stating that the area needs a social centre for young people, old people and warm space with a social facility in the evenings.

The building is instrumental for social cohesion through the provision of breakfast club, homework club, and variously supports children from disadvantaged backgrounds.



**6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS** To consider the response of Lewes Town Council to the following planning applications:-

#### **6.1 SDNP/23/02271/HOUS**

Erection of a single-storey rear extension and internal remodelling on the ground floor

3 Montacute Road

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response but would like to remind the applicant to heed the Dark Skies Policy SD8 and consider the use of blackout blinds

#### **6.2 SDNP/23/02231/LIS**

Section 73A Retrospective application for front fascia restored and redesigned, redirection of flue extract at rear, erection of a rear timber single-storey extension, replacement of window at rear and an addition of another flue extract

205 High Street

**RESOLVED:** To SUPPORT the application

Please note that resolution only refers to the retrospective aspect of the development and that the document relating to the fascia design in SDNP/23/02110/ADV needs to be removed from the application.

#### **6.3 SDNP/23/02226/HOUS**

Erection of Loft conversion with rear dormer and rooflights to front roof slope, replacement roof and alterations to former garage building

34 Cranedown

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response

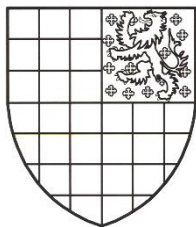
#### **6.4 SDNP/23/02142/LIS**

Re-roofing of front roofslope in new tiles to match existing

2 St Pancras Road

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response with reference to the Lewes Swift Supporters

#### **6.5 SDNP/23/02110/ADV**



Installation of two new lights and low backlight on the fascia sign on shop front

205 High Street

**RESOLVED:** To OBJECT to the application on the basis that it contravenes SD53, the Committee recommends that the applicant seeks the advice of conservationists

#### **6.6 SDNP/23/01943/HOUS**

S73A retrospective application for erection of front porch, hip to gable roof extension with rear dormer and side gable, and addition of hardstanding to front

67 North Way

**RESOLVED:** To OBJECT to the application and refer the applicant to the Planning Officer's comments

#### **6.7 SDNP/23/02288/LIS**

Refurbishment of 40no windows to match existing

137 High Street

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response for the reason that the Committee approves of the refurbishment but regrets the lack opportunity taken to upgrade the materials to reflect the climate emergency, through conservation grade double glazing consistent with ACAN Guidelines

#### **6.8 SDNP/23/02002/HOUS**

Addition of rear dormer, demolition of existing extension to rear, alterations to fenestration to rear, and addition of rooflights to front and rear

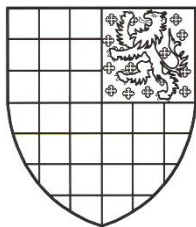
9 Talbot Terrace

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response and remind the applicant that the use of blinds would comply with the Dark Skies Policy, that double glazing is preferred and that the application would be referred to the Lewes Swift Supporters

#### **6.9 SDNP/23/01709/LDP**

Change of use from a 4no bed dwelling house to a residential home for up to two children  
26 Fitzjohns Road

No information available



#### **6.10 SDNP/23/02109/FUL**

Section 73A Retrospective application for front fascia restored and redesigned, redirection of flue extract at rear, erection of a rear timber single-storey extension, replacement of window at rear and an addition of another flue extract

205 High Street

As per 6.2

#### **6.11 SDNP/23/02007/HOUS**

Erection of single storey rear extension

18 Highdown Road

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response

#### **6.12 SDNP/23/01830/HOUS**

Front light well to basement cover to be replaced with sealed unit

27 Priory Street

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response but that attention be paid to the surface of the unit to prevent a slippery surface

#### **6.13 SDNP/23/01628/FUL**

Replacement of the existing timber framed main entrance doors with new automated aluminium framed double glazed doors

Caburn Court Station Station Street

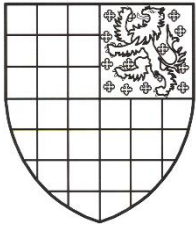
**RESOLVED:** To SUPPORT the application

#### **6.14 SDNP/23/01528/HOUS**

Erection of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension

3 Christie Road

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response with reference to the Lewes Swift Supporters



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#### **6.15 SDNP/23/02119/HOUS**

Addition of conservation rooflight to front elevation and extension of existing lightwell to front at lower ground floor level  
11 Leicester Road

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response with reference to the Lewes Swift Supporters

#### **6.16 SDNP/23/02179/HOUS**

Single storey rear extension, new garden room and redecoration of street-facing facade  
17 South Street

**RESOLVED:** To offer a NEUTRAL response

The Meeting was declared closed at **21:00**