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Committee: Planning

Date: 7 May 2024

Time: 19:00

Location: Council Chamber, Town Hall

Present: Councillors Makepeace (Chair), Campbell, Gardiner, Todd, Vernon,

and West

Officers Present: Town Clerk – Veronique Poutrel

Minutes

1. Apologies for absence

There were apologies from Councillor Baah, Bird, Livesey, Maples and Ross. Livesey and Bird.

2. 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.

Councillor Todd declared an interest under Item 5a, as he is a friend of the applicant.

It was resolved that: Councillor Todd will recuse when item is being discussed.

3. Minutes

It was resolved that: The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 23 April 2024 were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. Public question time

To receive questions regarding items on this agenda. Members of the public are invited to ask questions and raise issues which are relevant and are the concern of this committee. A period of 15 minutes is allocated for this purpose. If possible,

notice of intention to address the Committee should be given to the Town Clerk by noon the day before the meeting.

No questions were received.

5. Planning applications

It was resolved that: Responses from Lewes Town Council to the following planning applications were considered.

a) SDNP/24/01372/HOUS 1A Offham Road, Lewes

Comments: Neutral

Whilst this is a retrospective application, deckings are allowed under planning regulations.

b) SDNP/24/01498/HOUS - 16 Hawkenbury Way, Lewes

Comments: Object

Whilst the size of dormer has been reduced, the application is still not complying with design guidance from the Adopted Design Guidance from South Downs National Park or Friends of Lewes.

c) SDNP/24/01510/HOUS - 30 Fitzjohns Road, Lewes

Comments: Object

Not enough information and overdevelopment impacting on housing stock for 3-bedroom houses (SD27). Bike storage in front of house would require planning permission. No plans for bike storage are shown. Dormer does not comply with Adopted Design Guidance or Friends of Lewes guidance for dormers.

d) SDNP/24/01583/HOUS - 1 Priory Row, Priory Street, Lewes

Comments: Support

Previous comments were taken on board and timber is now being used.

e) SDNP/24/01593/HOUS - West Corner House, 30 The Avenue, Lewes

Comments: Support

Support the use of timber frame double glazing.

f) SDNP/24/01596/HOUS - 8 Southdown Avenue, Lewes

Comments: Support

The innovative way of using solar panels is welcome.

6. Renewable Energy Study

It was resolved that: Councillor Gardiner would send the response to the Renewable Energy Study to the Town Clerk before 10 May 2024.

7. Tree Planting on Highways Land

It was resolved that: The Town Clerk will provide a letter of support to Friends of Lewes to allow tree planting on East Sussex County Council's Highway Land.

8. Transport for the South East Transport Strategy Refresh - Phase One Survey

It was resolved that: Councillor West will lead a draft response to the <u>Transport for the South East Transport Strategy Refresh - Phase One Survey</u> with Councillor Vernon supporting. This will be added as an item for next Planning Committee.

9. Planning reports for noting

There was no report to note.

10. The meeting closed at 19:22.