

SWANLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Development Control Committee held at the Civic Centre, Swanley on Wednesday 29 April 2015

Present

Cllr R Morris (Chairman)	Cllr C Lee
Cllr J Barnes	Cllr T Searles
Cllr M Fittock	
Cllr J Halford	

Also in attendance

Councillors	Officers
Cllr R Brookbank	Julie Pilbeam (Chief Executive)
Cllr H Willingale	Lisa Saunders (Operations Director)
	Geoff Mills (Democratic Services Officer)

The meeting commenced at 7.30 PM

Apologies for Absence and Substitutes

Apologies from Cllr George were noted and approved.

Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None

Minutes

- 9722** It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2015 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Decisions Made by Swanley Town Council

The Committee agreed that because responses needed to be made to Sevenoaks District Council before the date of the next meeting the items contained in the Supplementary Agenda previously circulated should be discussed at this meeting

Application SE/15/00776: Proposals for the demolition of the existing church meeting hall (Use Class D1), demolition of B2 workshop (Use Class B2), extinguishment of haulage yard use and top-soil compositing yard use, and construction and replacement meeting hall (D1) with associated access, parking and landscaping and infrastructure works as well as change of use of part of the existing access and yard to domestic garden at the church meeting room and Wilburton Yard, Leydenhatch Lane, Swanley.

- 9723** It was **RESOLVED** that Sevenoaks District Council be advised that the Town Council strongly support this application as the development would improve the area and although the building is in the Green Belt its

construction is compensated by the removal of the haulage yard. Also the parking proposals would help reduce parking in Leydenhatch Lane. The proposals were also in line with Planning Policy EN2.

Application SE/15/01001: the erection of a single storey rear extension and an extension to existing garage to form gym, Rowans, Beechenlea Lane.

9724 It was **RESOLVED** that the Sevenoaks District Council be advised that the Town Council has no objections to this application.

Application SE/15/01079: Change of use from the existing office use at first floor level to a one bedroom flat and alteration to a stair, 23 Station Road, Swanley.

9725 It was **RESOLVED** that the Sevenoaks District Council be advised that the Town Council has no objections to this application.

Application SE/15/00955: change of use from office to D1 Health and Beauty Laser Therapy, Ground Floor, 40 High Street, Swanley.

9726 It was **RESOLVED** that the Sevenoaks District Council be advised that the Town Council has no objections to this application.

Application SE/15/00168: move fence to facilitate a change of use from amenity land to residential, 41 St Georges Road, Swanley.

9727 It was **RESOLVED** that the Sevenoaks District Council be advised that the Town Council has no objections to this application.

Application SE/15/00216: (Amended Application) Outline application for demolition of existing building and construction of a mixed use development to include 14 flats, an office B1 unit and retail premises with some matters reserved, amended application- Meeting Point Day Centre, Rural Age Concern, 27-37 High Street, Swanley.

9728 It was **RESOLVED** that Sevenoaks District Council be advised that the Town Council strongly objects to this planning application on the following grounds:

(i) The application would lead to an over intensification of the site with insufficient parking provision, (ii) If approved the application would create additional highway problems. In particular the proposed point of access and egress adjacent to what is already a very busy roundabout is considered to be dangerous and would create an unacceptable hazard to all road users, and

(iii) The roads in and around the application site are already at capacity and the development would add additional traffic movements onto what are already congested roads. The amount of additional traffic would also have an impact on air quality.

Application SE/15/00997: The erection of a 2 bedroom bungalow, Land rear of Woodhurst, Swanley Village Road, Swanley.

9729 It was **RESOLVED** that Sevenoaks District Council be advised that the Town Council strongly objects to this application on the grounds that the

development is unneighbourly and would be an over intensification of the site, which is located in a conservation area. Also on highway grounds as the development would cause restricted vehicular sight lines and affect parking.

Application SE/15/01019: Proposed Cladding Works to Asda Stores Ltd., London Road, Swanley.

9730 It was **RESOLVED** that the Sevenoaks District Council be advised that the Town Council has no objections to this application.

Application SE/15/01664: Proposed Porch extension and installation of roof lights, 52 Leechcroft Avenue, Swanley.

9731 It was **RESOLVED** that the Sevenoaks District Council be advised that the Town Council has no objections to this application.

Application SE/15/01025: Proposed erection of telescopic radio mast to Support Aerials in connection with hobby of amateur radio.

9732 RESOLVED that Sevenoaks District Council be advised that Swanley Town Council objects to this planning application on the grounds that a commercial aerial of this size is inappropriate in a residential area.

Application SE/15/00321: Change of Use from Existing Shop to Estate Agents Office A2, Hydra Tanning Ltd, 35 Swanley Centre, London Road, Swanley.

9733 It was **RESOLVED** that it be noted that Sevenoaks District Council has decided on the planning merits of the application that it should be granted.

Sevenoaks District Council – The Community Infrastructure Levy.

9734 It was **RESOLVED** that a report setting out suggested infrastructure projects for submission to Sevenoaks District Council be submitted to the meeting of Full Council taking place on 3 June 2015.

Decision of Planning Inspector

9735 It was **RESOLVED** that the decision of the Planning Inspector to dismiss the appeal lodged in respect of Planning Application SE/14/00925 – The Flat, Whiffens Farm Cottage, Lower Road, Swanley be noted.

The meeting closed at 8.40 PM

The next meeting of the Development Control Committee is on Wednesday 20 May 2015 at the Civic Centre, Swanley commencing on the rising of Full Council.

Signed.....Chairman

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