



Report of the Planning and Implementation (P&I) Committee

Monday 26th April 2021

Meeting by Zoom at 7.30pm.

PRESENT Cllr. A Walmsley, Chairman presiding.
Cllrs. J Britt, K Hammond, S Heeley, M Lowe & N Osborne.
R Greenwood, V Woollven, R Young & P Culver
P McCreery (Planning Consultant), L Westcott (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllrs. M Cockett and A Ratcliffe (post meeting)

2. Declarations of Interest:

V Woollven declared a conflict of interest arising from the land to the rear of Tithe Barn, N Osborne and P Culver declared a conflict of interest to land to the east of Old School Close, J Britt declared a conflict of interest in relation to the Inkstand Cattery site, members of the group who stand on LPC declared an interest in relation to William Pitt Field. All declared conflicts of interest are non-pecuniary; this also relates to all previously declared conflicts of interest.

1. Terms of Reference for Planning and Implementation Committee

- i. R young proposed and K Hammond seconded the nomination of Cllr. A Walmsley as chairman of the P&I committee.
- ii. V Woollven proposed and J Britt seconded the nomination of R Greenwood as vice-chairman of the P&I Committee.
- iii. N Osborne requested two amendments to the Terms of Reference – No 2 should read “no more than six councillors” and No 4iii “endorsed” should replace “agreed”. Amended Terms of Reference circulated with minutes.
- iv. Cllr. A Walmsley reported that the weekly list will be circulated via email, with comments collected by Thursday each week. Any application not in line with LNP policy will be discussed at a P&I committee meeting. An extension to the consultation period can be requested.
- v. A list of planning applications will be available on the LPC website with links to associated documents on MBC’s website.

2. Confirmation of Attendees

No more than six councillors with voting rights at each meeting, but other councillors may attend without voting rights. The six nominated councillors with voting rights will be agreed at next LPC meeting.

3. Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

P Culver, S Heeley, J Britt and V Woollven reported that the market stall on Saturday 24th April went well, with lots of positive comments received from the public. V Woollven sends thanks Cllr. Michaelas who has placed copies of the LNP on Chequers Fish Bar tables for residents to view.

K Hammond reported that most residents in Lenham Heath and Platts Heath are looking to vote yes. J Britt reported that there had been discussions on KLS. S Heeley will keep repeating messages.

4. Update on Workplan (circulated with minutes)

The workplan will have a list of sites with sub pages to include the details and timescales.

- a. Recreation Ground - A Walmsley reported that the recreation ground proposal is part of the East Lenham Farm development. This is on hold due to Natural England's paper on nitrogen and phosphorus issues at the Stodmarsh nature reserve. A Walmsley will continue to liaise with land owner.
- b. Loder Close – correspondence received from the developer via MBC. We have also been copied in to responses from a resident to MBC.
ACTION P McCreery to draft a letter to new developer to advise that LPC are taking legal advice.
ACTION A Walmsley to contact Shellina Prendergast to arrange a meeting.
- c. Heathlands – K Hammond reported that SOHL has gone as far as it can, but will still update residents. SOHL will take the lead from LPC. P McCreery reported on a successful legal challenge by a parish council.
ACTION P McCreery to send L Westcott a paper to send with minutes.
- d. Land off Headcorn Road – M Lowe has sent MHS Homes the maintenance proposal.
ACTION M Lowe/L Westcott to arrange meeting with MHS Homes to discuss further if required prior to the already agreed June meeting
- e. William Pitt Field – awaiting contract from Thorneloe.

5. Updates on other Development

Nothing to report.

6. Matters Arising from Planning Decisions

- a. J Britt reported that he had received an anonymous telephone call from a concerned resident regarding activity at an illegal quarry on Lenham Heath Road. K Hammond will speak to local residents and try to find out what is happening, site could be in Charing Parish, so liaison with Charing Parish council will be required.
- b. V Woollven reported that there were concerns regarding waste at Highfield, Faversham Road.
ACTION A Walmsley to contact Helen Goldsmith.

7. Schedule of Meetings

Meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month, one week before if this falls on a bank holiday.

The meeting closed at 21:45