



Midhurst Town Council

A Meeting of the Planning and Infrastructure Committee took place on Monday 25th April 2022 at 6.45pm at The Old Library, Knockhundred Row, Midhurst.

MINUTES

Present: Cllr D. Coote, Cllr G. McAra, Cllr C. Lintott, Cllr J. Sutton, Cllr R. Watts. Cllr G. Upjohn and Cllr D. Fraser

Officer: Julian Quail, Assistant Town Clerk

Also: Sharon Hurr, Clerk and RFO

P/080/22 - Apologies for Absence

None.

P/081/22 - Declarations of Interest

None

P/082/22 - To approve Minutes of Meeting Held on 11th April 2022

These were agreed as a true record of the meeting held on 11th April 2022.

Proposed Cllr Lintott, seconded Cllr McAra, all agreed.

P/083/22 - Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting Held on 11th April 2022

None.

Meeting halted for Public Participation Session

P/084/22 - Public Participation Session

No members of the public were present.

Meeting reconvened.

P/085/22 - Planning Applications

85.1 SDNP/22/01488/HOUS

Replacement of front and rear elevation windows and rear garden door with double glazed white upvc windows and upvc garden door. Replacement of front entrance door with a composite door.

6 Railway Terrace Bepton Road Midhurst West Sussex GU29 9QY

Decision: MTC has no objection to this application.

85.2 SDNP/22/01489/HOUS

Replacement of front and rear elevation windows and rear garden door with double glazed white upvc windows and upvc garden door. Replacement of front entrance door with a composite door.

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Decision: MTC has no objection to this application.

85.3 SDNP/22/01491/HOUS

Replacement of front and rear elevation windows and rear garden door with double glazed white upvc windows and upvc garden door. Replacement of front entrance door with a composite door.

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Decision: MTC has no objection to this application.

P/086/22 – Tree Applications

86.1 SDNP/22/01482/TPO

Fell 1 no. Chestnut tree (quoted as T1). Crown lift by up to 2.5m (above ground level) on 1 no. Yew tree (quoted as T2). Crown reduce by 2.5m (all round) and crown lift by up to 3m (above ground level) on 1 no. Oak tree (quoted as T3). All 3 no. trees within Area, A1 subject to MI/64/00669/TPO.

21 Guillard's Oak Midhurst West Sussex GU29 9JZ

Decision: MTC has no objection to this application.

P/087/22 – Decisions

These were noted.

P/088/22 – Actions

The actions were provided to the committee before the meeting. There is one outstanding action relating to polluting the River Rother. The Assistant Town Clerk has arranged for a visit to one of Southern Waters plants at South Ambersham on Wednesday 18 May at 9:30 am. Cllrs Sutton, Watts and Fraser, as well as the Town Clerk, will be attending.

P/089/22 – SDNPA - Design Guide SPD

Cllr McAra provided a paper prior to the meeting. With a slight amendment regarding transport from Cllr Coote, the committee agreed the response to the SDNPA. It was agreed that Cllr McAra would liaise with the Midhurst Vision to ensure that their work aligns with the Design Guide.

Action: Cllr Coote and Cllr McAra to provide the office with comments for submission to the SDNPA re their Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Action: Cllr McAra to liaise with the Midhurst Vision to ensure that their work aligns with the Design Guide.

P/090/22 – Easebourne Parish Design Statement (EPDS)

The committee strongly support the submission from Easebourne Parish Council to the SDNPA for their Parish Design Statement (EPDS).

Action: Office to write to SDNPA articulating the committee's strong support for the EPDS.

P/091/22 – Public Rights of Way - Routine Maintenance – Midhurst

The committee noted the Public Rights of Way inspection by WSCC within the Midhurst parish during May 2022.

Action: All members of the committee to provide the Town Clerk with any comments.

P/092/22- Matters of Report

Cllr Lintott informed the committee that she had just had a meeting with other councillors and Graham Pooley from the Midhurst Green Volunteers to discuss the proposal from WSCC to sign up to the Community Highway Partnership. Further information will be provided at the next C&E committee meeting.

Cllr Watts explained that he had spoken with Veronica Cooper from the Eco Rother Action group regarding an exchange of information on the health of the River Rother. They would continue to liaise going forward.

Cllr McAra expressed his concern regarding the price of fuel at the local BP petrol station in Easebourne. It was noted that the cost of fuel was about 9p per litre more than in Chichester and up to 12p more than in other areas. The committee consider that this is unacceptable and intends to write to Gillian Keegan MP to ask what the government is doing to help keep rural costs as low as possible.

Action: Cllr Lintott to draft a press statement for onward submission to the Midhurst and Petworth Observer.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.25pm.

Signed: Date:.....
Chairman