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Minutes

A meeting of Members of the Chailey Parish Council Planning and Environs Committee (Urgent Planning Matters) was held on Tuesday 20th November 2012 in the Reading Room, Chailey Green commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr. J. Millam (Chairman)
Cllrs. P. Atkins, D. Cowan, D.Cranfield, J-P Ellis, M. Evans, S.Griffin,
P. Olbrich, J.Tillard, R.Trussell, L.Waller.

Public present: One.

In attendance: V. Grainger (Clerk).

12/184. Apologies: None.

12/185. Verbal Representations by members of the public:

Mr R Townsend (New Heritage Owners Association) attended the meeting to comment on application **LW/12/0320 Land South of New Heritage Way, North Chailey**. Mr Townsend advised that changes had been made to the original application submitted as follows:

- Post and rail fencing had replaced the originally proposed metal fencing.
- The previously proposed tarmac path had been changed to a gravel path.
- The size of the proposed mound within the play area had been reduced and one piece of play equipment had been removed from the plan.

The New Heritage Owners Association felt that the applicants should take into account resident's wishes and comments. It had been suggested that low-level hedging (indigenous species) should be planted in front of the fencing to soften the visual impact and netting should be erected to the rear of the play area to prevent damage by rabbits and other wildlife. The proposed site was a natural woodland setting and the materials used should be sympatric to retain the natural appearance; and play equipment should be of wood or natural materials in keeping with the environment. The seating should be brown or natural materials. It was also suggested that the bench currently located outside the play area should be resited within the fenced play area.

12/186. Declarations of Interest by Councillors:

Cllr. Olbrich declared a personal interest in item LW/3098/CC/ LW12/0888- St Peters Primary School, as a family member occupied an adjoining property.

Cllr. Cranfield declared a personal interest in item LW/12/0833-1 Warrenwood- as the applicant was an acquaintance.

Cllr. Ellis declared a personal interest in item LW/12/0846 Rock House, Tilehouse Lane- as the applicant was an acquaintance.

12/187. Items not on the agenda considered as a matter of urgency: None

12/188. To consider Lewes District Council Planning Applications: The Planning and Tree works applications presented were duly considered and the following responses were agreed:

| Received date: | Response date: | Planning Ref No. | Name and Address of Applicant | Work Requested: | CPC Decision |
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| 1.11.12 | 20.11.12 | LW/12/0320 | Taylor Wimpey Land South of New Heritage Way North Chailey | Further Information Received: Change to post and rail fencing, removal of bench and bin, change to wooden benches, change of materials to pathway, change to play equipment. | See comments below |
| 1.11.12 | 23.11.12 | Newick/ Chailey Split Parish LW/12/0846 | Mr & Mrs J Baillieux Rock House Tilehouse Lane | Planning Application: Erection of replacement domestic garage/store. | No objections |
| 8.11.12 | 30.11.12 | LW/12/0833 | Mrs J Orssten 1 Warrenwood | Planning Application: Insertion of a conservation style roof window. | No objections |
| | | LW/12/0875 | Mr P Mossman Alverstone House Haywards Heath Road | Planning Application: Erection of single and two storey rear extensions. | No objections |
| | | LW/3098/CC LW12/0888 | St Peters Primary School East Grinstead Road | Consultation: Change of use of agricultural land to an extension to the School car park (retrospective). | See comments below |

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Councillors fully considered the plans outlined; having noted the representation by Mr R Townsend on behalf of the New Heritage owners association. The Council were in support of the application provided the materials used were sympathetic to the woodland setting. The following recommendations were made:

1. The use of post & rail fencing to the front of the play area was supported.
2. It was suggested that the fencing should be screened by hedging – (indigenous species).
3. Fencing at the rear of the play area should be erected to prevent ingress by wildlife.
4. The bench shown outside the play area should be relocated inside the fenced area.
5. Materials and colours used for equipment, benches and gates should be sympathetic to the woodland setting i.e. brown/green instead of blue/red and wood/natural materials used where possible.

LW/12/0888 & LW/3098/CC Change of Use from Agricultural Land to School Car Park

Councillors were in support of the application with the following recommendations:

1. Improvement of surface water drainage to prevent water run off to adjoining properties (particularly 2 Bridge Cottages).
2. The erection of a height barrier to the car park extension to prevent overnight lorry parking.
3. A condition that the land should revert to agricultural use in the event of the School being closed.

12/189. To note Lewes District Council planning decisions, planning appeals and recommendations: There had been no recent decisions for noting.

12/190. Date of next Planning & Environs Committee meeting: Tuesday 4th December, Urgent Planning Matters meeting Tuesday 11th December. The meeting closed at 8.12 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

Date: