



Minutes of a meeting of the Plans Committee held in the Council Chamber,
Civic Centre, Uckfield on Monday 16th October 2017 at 7.00pm

Cllr. S. Mayhew (Chairman)	Cllr. J. Love	Cllr. J. Anderson
Cllr. D. Bennett	Cllr. K. Everett.	Cllr. D. French
Cllr. C. Macve		

IN ATTENDANCE:-

1 member of the press
Cllr Meakin in attendance.
Linda Lewis – Administrative Assistant
Minutes taken by Linda Lewis

1.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members and officers were reminded to make any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interests that they may have in relation to any item on the agenda.
Cllr. Macve and Cllr. Anderson both declared a personal interest in WD/2017/1890/F, 37-39 New Town.
Cllr. Love and Cllr. Macve both declared a personal interest in WD/2017/1724/F, C J Thorne & Co Ltd, Union Point, Eastbourne Road.
Cllr. Mayhew declared an interest in WD/2017/2200/F 1 Wares Field.

2.0 STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

None

3.0 APOLOGIES: None.

4.0 MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the meeting held 25th September 2017

P201.10.17 It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Plans Committee of the 25th September 2017, be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4.2 Action List

None.

At the discretion of the Chairman Cllr. Macve raised his concerns over the increasing submission of 'retrospective applications'. It was strongly felt that there is a need to discuss applications before works are carried out. It was also noted that retrospective applications were being received from agents that would be aware of the need for permission. With the approval of the Chairman the clerk was asked to write to Wealden District Council, suggesting more stringent rulings be undertaken for those submitting applications retrospectively and that perhaps a surcharge should be introduced. The clerk was asked to make this an Agenda item for the next meeting.

5.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

WD/2017/1561/FR 96 NEVILL ROAD, UCKFIELD, TN22 1LU

Retrospective application for erection of close board fence around perimeter of the rear garden.

P202.10.17 It was **RESOLVED** to object to the application on the following grounds:

- The fence would compromise the original open plan concept of the estate.
- The fence obstructs the visibility splay for emerging vehicles at the junction.

WD/2017/1890/F 37- 39 NEW TOWN, UCKFIELD, TN22 5DL

Change of use of ground floor from retail showroom (use class a1) to four residential units (use class C3) with external alterations to the front and rear elevations.

Cllr. Macve and Cllr Anderson both reiterated their personal interest in this application and took no part in the discussion of this application or the vote.

P203.10.17 It was **RESOLVED** to object to the application as the previous problems of waste collection and parking would be exacerbated by this change to residential units.

WD/2017/1724/F C J THORNE & CO LTD, UNION POINT, EASTBOURNE ROAD, RIDGEWOOD, UCKFIELD, TN22 5SS

First floor roof extension to office accommodation.

Cllr. Love and Cllr. Macve both reiterated their personal interest in this application and took no part in the discussion of this application or the vote.

P204.10.17 It was **RESOLVED** to support the application. It was felt that the extension would not affect the neighbouring property.

WD/2017/1992/F 97 PIPERS FIELD, RIDGEWOOD, UCKFIELD, TN22 5SD

Single storey side & rear additions.

P205.10.17 It was **RESOLVED** to support the application as it was not imposing on the neighbouring properties.

WD/2017/2169/F 34 MANOR END, UCKFIELD, TN22 1DN

Conversion of and extension to conservatory to form a garden room and raising roof across whole of rear elevation.

P206.10.17 It was **RESOLVED** to support the application as it would be in keeping and would not impinge on the neighbouring property.

It was also noted that the clerk had informed the planning officer of an inaccuracy in the application form in that Mr Waldock is not a member of Uckfield Town Council but is indeed a Wealden District Councillor.

WD/2017/2065/F 8 LARNACH CLOSE, UCKFIELD, TN22 1TH

Single storey side extension at first floor level.

P207.10.17 It was **RESOLVED** to support the application, being adjacent to a twitten it would have no effect on other properties.

WD/2017/2200/F 1 WARES FIELD, RIDGEWOOD, UCKFIELD, TN22 5SG **CONSTRUCTION OF SINGLE STOREY SIDE AND PART REAR**

Extension to enlarge kitchen and create additional dining area.

Cllr. Mayhew reiterated his personal interest in this application and handed the Chair to Cllr. Love. He took no part in the discussion of this application or the vote.

P208.10.17 It was **RESOLVED** to support the application as it would be in keeping with the original build.

Cllr. Mayhew resumed his position as Chairman of the meeting.

6.0 DECISION NOTICES:

Approved:

WD/2017/1437/F	140 HIGH STREET, UCKFIELD, TN22 1QR
WD/2017/1368/MRM	LAND WEST OF UCKFIELD - SITE SD1
WD/2017/1910/F	12 HIGHLANDS AVENUE, RIDGEWOOD, UCKFIELD,
TN22 5TD	
WD/2017/1904/F	8 HART CLOSE, UCKFIELD, TN22 2DA
WD/2017/1623/F	CAXTON HOUSE, 140 HIGH STREET, UCKFIELD, TN22
1QR	
WD/2017/1714/MAJ	LAND WEST OF UCKFIELD (SITE SD1).
WD/2017/1867/F	15 FAIRLIGHT, UCKFIELD, TN22 1NH

Members noted the decision notices.

7.0 TO ADVISE ON THE TOWN COUNCIL'S OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS OUTSIDE THE USUAL CYCLE OF MEETINGS.

(attached)

WD/2017/2031/RM 30 RINGLES CROSS, UCKFIELD, TN22 1HG

Reserved matters pursuant to outline application

WD/2016/2981/O (proposed detached 4 bed house).

Uckfield Town Council support the application.

WD/2017/1734/LBR 97-99 HIGH STREET, UCKFIELD, TN22 1RJ

Part retrospective application for new shopfront signage.

Uckfield Town Council support the application.

WD/2017/1991/AI 41 HIGH STREET, UCKFIELD, TN22 1AJ

Replacement of 1no. illuminated advertisement fascia and erection of 1no. new illuminated hanging sign.

Uckfield Town Council object to the application as the sign looks garish in a Conservation Area.

WD/2017/1692/LBR 97-99 HIGH STREET, UCKFIELD, TN22 1RJ

Retrospective application for installation of new restaurant kitchen extraction system and fresh air intake. construction of new plant room.

Uckfield Town Council object to the application as the noise level of the extraction unit is excessive and detrimental to the neighbours.

WD/2017/2142/F 4 CLAREMONT RISE, UCKFIELD, TN22 2AH

Proposed single storey front extension and canopy to new front door.

Uckfield Town Council support the application.

Members noted the report.

The meeting closed at 7.23pm