



Minutes of a meeting of the Plans Committee held in the Council Chamber,
Civic Centre, Uckfield on Monday 24th February 2020 at 7.00pm

Cllr. D. French (Chairman)
Cllr. B. Cox
Cllr. C. Macve

Cllr. J. Beesley
Cllr. J. Love
Cllr. D. Bennett

IN ATTENDANCE: -

1 member of the press – recording
Cllr. P. Sparks
3 members of the public
Minutes taken Linda Lewis – Administrative Officer

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 declared a personal interest in the following application as he knows the applicant:
WD/2020/0145/FR Maltmead Cottage, Olives Yard, High Street, TN22 1QP

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

Mr Tom Lovell wished to speak on agenda item 5.0 (application WD/2019/2691/F - 52, Brown's Lane, Uckfield).

P68.02.20

It was **RESOLVED** to suspend Standing Orders to allow a member of the public to speak.

Mr Tom Lovell wished to expand on the comments he made at the previous Uckfield Town Council Plans meeting of the 3rd February.
The applicant has taken the assumption that the access point will be well away from the junction when in fact it will actually be on the junction. The statement regarding parking for two cars is also incorrect as one vehicle requires 3m whereby the space allowed for two cars on this proposal is only 5.3m. There has also not been any provision mentioned for the removal of soil from the bank to make the parking spaces and that this would exacerbate the problem of run off water. Mr Lovell also stated that the addition would be out of keeping with the other semi detached properties in the vicinity and that the paved frontage would not be in keeping with the green open plan look of the area.

P69.02.20

It was **RESOLVED** to reinstate Standing Orders

3.0 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. S. Mayhew.

4.0 MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd February 2020

P70.02.20

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Plans Committee of the 3rd February 2020, be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4.2 Action List – none

5.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Cllr. Macve reiterated his personal interest in application WD/2020/0145/FR Maltmead Cottage, Olives Yard, High Street and took no part in the discussion or the vote for this application.

WD/2020/0145/FR MALTMEAD COTTAGE, OLIVES YARD, HIGH STREET, UCKFIELD, TN22 1QP

Retrospective application for a change of use of office building to single residential dwelling.

P71.02.20

Retrospective applications are not favourably received by the committee for that reason however, following discussion it was **RESOLVED** to object the application on the following grounds:

- A residential dwelling in this business area would be out of keeping.
- To allow for change of use would set a precedent for the future, potentially effecting the 'business area' look of Olives Yard.

WD/2020/0250/F 3 KNIGHTS MEADOW, UCKFIELD, TN22 1UR

Proposed side extension.

P72.02.20

It was **RESOLVED** to support the application as the extension would have no detrimental effect to other properties.

WD/2019/2691/F 52 BROWNS LANE, UCKFIELD, TN22 1UF

Proposed new dwelling within the curtilage.

Amendments relate to: Agent's explanatory email dated 30.01.20 and plans indicating amended retaining wall; bin store.

It was felt that the amendments made would not improve the situation but would only rectify the deficiencies in the application. It was noted that if this was to go ahead there would be no access to the back garden of no 52, which would not be ideal and would lead to deterioration of the site.

P73.02.20

It was subsequently **RESOLVED** to object to the application due to the following concerns:

- concerns regarding vehicle access.
- concerns of surface water run-off
- detrimental impact on adjoining properties in terms of design and character and therefore out of character with the street scene.
- It would be considered as infilling and therefore against the open plan nature of the estate.

WD/2020/0205/F 111 NEVILL ROAD, UCKFIELD, TN22 1LJ

Conversion of loft and construction of rear facing dormer.

P74.02.20

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

- Overdevelopment of the site.

6.0 DECISION NOTICES

Approved:

WD/2018/2728/MAJ KENNEDY HYGIENE PRODUCTS LTD, BROOKSIDE, TN22 1YA

WD/2019/2534/F PURPLE HEATHER, SELBY GARDENS, UCKFIELD, TN22 5EF

WD/2019/2608/F 60 STREATFIELD ROAD, UCKFIELD, TN22 2BQ

WD/2019/2541/F 39 ROCKS PARK ROAD, UCKFIELD, TN22 2AS

WD/2020/0033/F 28 MANOR END, UCKFIELD, TN22 1DN

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
WD/2020/0033/F 28 MANOR END, UCKFIELD, TN22 1DN**

Proposed single storey porch and bike garage to front elevation.
Members noted the report.

The meeting closed at 7.28pm.