

**MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON
MONDAY 2nd OCTOBER AT THE PARISH ROOM AT 7.00pm**

Present: Councillors S Smith A Barwick S Hooper I Mollart
 S Shevde D Carr A Wiles M Pemble

1) APOLOGIES

Cllr M Jones

2) PLANNING

a) Applications

i) DOV/06/01154

Proposal: Works to one Sycamore and four Poplars trees

Location: 19 Heronden View, Eastry

ii) DOV/06/01158

Proposal: Works to one Sycamore and four Poplars trees

Location: 17 Heronden View, Eastry

iii) DOV/06/01157

Proposal: Works to one Sycamore and four Poplars trees

Location: 23 Heronden View, Eastry

The above applications were discussed in great detail, the committee were unsure what was being applied for as no details are given in the applications as to the exact nature of the work planned, attachment (copy of a e-mail ?) says 1st line "to cut out trees". Later in the e-mail it says "we like the trees and would like them to stay but as they are close to the house we would like to keep them under control."

Although the members had no objections in principle to work to these trees to keep them under control, they feel that the removal of the trees would have a detrimental effect on the landscape and object to felling of the trees completely.

The committee were also concerned by the comments made about the possible interference with power cables. In the past the trees have been trimmed regularly by National Grid to ensure this did not become a problem as the power line involved are high voltage main grid distribution cables. The Council would be very concerned about householders carrying out work to these trees if they are close to such high voltage cables.

If this application is granted the Parish Council would like the following conditions attached:-

- a) That the trees be reduced in height by a specified amount to be determined by the conservation department.
- b) That only a qualified Tree Surgeon is employed to carry out the work to ensure the wellbeing of the trees.
- c) That National Grid Power be contacted before work commences to ensure appropriate safety measures are taken.

The Clerk to respond.

iv) KCC DO/06/TEMP/0045

Applicant: Southern Water

Proposal: Modification to existing access road with associated bollards and access gate, two new passing points along existing track and contractor's compound located on site of existing Wastewater Treatment Works.

Location: Eastry Wastewater Treatment Works, Felderland Lane, Eastry, Kent CT14 0BX

The Plans were examined and discussed in detail. No objections were raised by the members.

v) TC/06/00063/TC

Proposal: Works to trees

Location: Church Street, Eastry

No objection were raised to this application, it was felt the work detailed is necessary to ensure public safety.

vi) DOV/06/01272

Proposal: Erection of rear conservatory

Location: 48 Cooks Lea, Eastry

After examination of the plans it was agreed that no objections should be raised.

b) Decisions

- i) DOV/06/01043 – Granted full planning permission – Erection of first floor side extension, and rear conservatory and porch extensions (existing conservatory to be demolished) – Alpha Cottage, 17 Alpha Road, Eastry.
- ii) DOV/06/01045 – Granted full planning permission – Erection of single storey side extension – Avilion, Mill Lane, Eastry.

Noted by the Council

c) Other

- i) Delivery Affordable Housing through the Planning System, Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

The members had read this document and felt that an explanation of some of its content was required. The Clerk to ask Dist Cllr Kenton and Dist Cllr Leith to attend a meeting at 7.00pm on Monday 20th Nov to discuss the documents.

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- j) Appeal No APP/X2220/E/06/2027355/WF – Installation of Solar panel on rear elevation – Little Close, Church Street, Eastry

The Clerk to write in support of the appeal and to write and ask DDC what their policy is on solar panels, especially on listed buildings.

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