

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

MINUTES of A meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held in the Council Chamber, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone on Tuesday, 9 September 2008.

PRESENT: Mr R E King (Chairman), Mr A R Bassam (Vice-Chairman), Mrs V J Dagger, Mr J A Davies, Mr T Gates, Mrs E Green, Mr G A Horne MBE, Mr S J G Koowaree, Mr J F London, Mr T A Maddison, Mr J I Muckle, Mr W V Newman, DL, Mr A R Poole and Mr F Wood-Brignall

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs S Thompson (Head of Planning Applications Group), Mr J Crossley (Principal Planning Officer), Mr R White (Transport and Development Business Manager) and Mr A Tait (Democratic Services Officer)

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

65. Membership

The Committee noted the appointment of Mrs P A V Stockell in place of Mr R A Marsh.

66. Minutes - 29 July 2008

(Item A3)

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 29 July 2008 are correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chairman.

67. Site Meetings and Other Meetings

(Item A4 – Report by Head of Planning Applications Group)

The Committee noted that there would be a training session on Tuesday, 23 September 2008. Details of proposed visits to Wrotham School and to a composting facility at Church Lane, Aldington, Ashford would be communicated to all Committee Members at a later stage.

68. Planning Controls for School Sports proposals.

(Item B1– Report by Head of Planning Applications Group)

(1) The Head of Planning Applications Group circulated a table showing how hours of use could be calculated in a hypothetical case.

(2) The Committee noted that the final sentence of Paragraph 7 of the report should read “there is often an expectation of over 80 hours per week of *combined school and* community use.”

(3) RESOLVED that the report be noted.

- 69. Application AS/08/945 - Wastewater pumping station, including change of use for land and the construction of a motor control centre kiosk, standby generator and steel palisade fencing at Land to the south of Alsops Road, Willesborough, Ashford; Southern Water Ltd**
(Item C1– Report by Head of Planning Applications Group)

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) permission be granted to the application subject to conditions including the standard time condition; noise controls; construction hours; details of parking and loading arrangements; measures to prevent mud or debris on the highway; and details of methods of disposing of surface water within the site; and
- (b) Informatives sought by the Environment Agency regarding groundwater vulnerability, drainage, land contamination and storage of fuels/chemicals be attached to the permission.

- 70. Proposal TW/08/2323 - Removal of existing radio mast and erection of a 2.5kW wind turbine at Mascalls School, Maidstone Road, Paddock Wood; Governors of Mascalls School and KCC Children, Families and Education.**
(Item D1– Report by Head of Planning Applications Group)

RESOLVED that permission be granted to the proposal subject to conditions including conditions covering the standard time limit; the development being carried out in accordance with the permitted details; the existing radio mast being completely removed from site and the land restored to its original condition prior to the erection of the wind turbine; the turbine being finished in black (head & rotor) and grey (tower); and the turbine being removed from site when no longer in use with the site being restored to its original condition.

- 71. Proposal DO/08/724 - Extension to the School House at Charlton CE Primary School, Barton Road, Dover; Governors of Charlton CE Primary School.**
(Item D2– Report by Head of Planning Applications Group)

RESOLVED that permission be granted to the proposal subject to conditions including conditions covering the standard time limit; the development being carried out in accordance with the permitted details; all external materials matching those of the existing building; and the Developer allowing access at all reasonable times to an archaeologist to observe the excavations and record items of interest and finds.

- 72. County matters dealt with under delegated powers**
(Items E1-E6– Report by Head of Planning Applications Group)

RESOLVED to note reports on items dealt with under delegated powers since the last meeting relating to:-

- (a) County matter applications;

- (b) consultations on applications submitted by District Councils or Government Departments (None);
- (c) County Council developments;
- (d) detailed submissions under Channel Tunnel Rail Link Act 1996 (None);
- (e) screening opinions under Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 1999; and
- (f) scoping opinions under Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 1999 (None).