

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday, 20 March 2024.

PRESENT: Mr A Booth (Chairman), Mr H Rayner (Vice-Chairman), Mrs R Binks, Miss S J Carey, Mr P Cole, Mr D Crow-Brown, Mr M Dendor, Peter Harman, Ms J Meade, Mr O Richardson and Mr C Simkins

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs S Thompson (Head of Planning Applications) and Ms M Green (Principal Planning Officer), James Bickle (Principal Planning Officer), Adam Tomaszewski (Principal Planning Officer) and Ms E Kennedy (Clerk)

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr Chittenden.

2. Minutes of the meeting on 13 December 2023

(Item A3)

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2023 were correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chairman.

3. Revised and Updated Validation Requirements for Planning Applications

(Item B1)

1) Sharon Thompson, Head of Planning Applications Group outlined the report.

2) Further to debate, the following motion was put to the vote and Members RESOLVED:

To note the proposed revision and updates to the Guidance and Validation Requirements for County Council Community Development (Regulation 3 Development) and for Minerals & Waste planning applications and authorise the necessary public consultation on the contents. In addition, to delegate to the Head of Planning Applications, in consultation with the Chairman of the Planning Applications Committee, the making of any reasonable changes to the documents to address views received following stakeholder consultation and delegate to the Head of Planning Applications, the more regular updating of the documents to ensure that they continue to comply with current government and development plan policy and associated technical and best practice guidance, so as to ensure they remain technically up to date in between formal reviews.

4. County matter applications

(Item E1)

RESOLVED to note matters dealt with under delegated powers since the meeting on 13 December 2023 relating to:

E1 County matter applications.

5. County Council developments
(Item E2)

RESOLVED to note matters dealt with under delegated powers since the meeting on 13 December 2023 relating to:

E2 County Council developments.

6. Screening opinions under Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017
(Item E3)

RESOLVED to note matters dealt with under delegated powers since the meeting on 13 December 2023 relating to:

E3 - Screening opinions under Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017

7. Scoping opinions under Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017
(Item E4)

RESOLVED to note matters dealt with under delegated powers since the meeting on 27 September 2023 relating to:

Scoping opinions under Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017

8. Consultation on planning application PA/2022/2772 - Proposed development at Land south of Asda, Kimberley Way, Ashford
(Item F1)

RESOLVED to note Kent County Council's response to:

Consultation on planning application PA/2022/2772 - Proposed development at Land south of Asda, Kimberley Way, Ashford

9. Sevenoaks Local Plan Regulation 18 (Part 2) Consultation
(Item F2)

RESOLVED to note Kent County Council's response to:

Sevenoaks Local Plan Regulation 18 (Part 2) Consultation

10. Consultation on the Aldington & Bonnington Neighbourhood Plan
(Item F3)

RESOLVED to note Kent County Council's response to:

Consultation on the Aldington & Bonnington Neighbourhood Plan

11. Consultation on Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's Response to the Inspector's Initial Findings Letter on the Examination of the New Local Plan
(Item F4)

RESOLVED to note Kent County Council's response to:

Consultation on Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's Response to the Inspector's Initial Findings Letter on the Examination of the New Local Plan

12. Consultation on the Maidstone Borough Council Technical Documents in respect of the Local Plan Review
(Item F5)

RESOLVED to note Kent County Council's response to:

Consultation on the Maidstone Borough Council Technical Documents in respect of the Local Plan Review

13. Consultation on planning application GB/20221064 – Proposed development at Land surrounding Ebbsfleet United Football Club, bounded by Lower Road, Railway Line, Grove Road and the River Thames, Northfleet, Gravesend
(Item F6)

RESOLVED to note Kent County Council's response to:

Consultation on planning application GB/20221064 – Proposed development at Land surrounding Ebbsfleet United Football Club, bounded by Lower Road, Railway Line, Grove Road and the River Thames, Northfleet, Gravesend