KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held in the Council Chamber, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone on Tuesday, 8 November 2011.

PRESENT: Mr J A Davies (Chairman), Mr C P Smith (Vice-Chairman), Mr R E Brookbank, Mr A R Chell, Mr T Gates, Mr W A Hayton, Mr C Hibberd, Mr P J Homewood, Mr J D Kirby, Mr R J Lees, Mr J F London, Mr R F Manning, Mr R J Parry, Mr R A Pascoe, Mr M B Robertson and Mr A T Willicombe

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs S Thompson (Head of Planning Applications Group), Mr M Clifton (Team Leader - Waste Developments), Mr J Crossley (Team Leader - County Council Development), Mr J Wooldridge (Team Leader - Mineral Developments), Mr R White (Development Planning Manager) and Mr A Tait (Democratic Services Officer)

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

57. Minutes - 11 October 2011 (*Item A3*)

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2011 are correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chairman.

58. Site Meetings and Other Meetings (*Item A4*)

The Committee agreed to visit the site of the Dungeness shingle recycling application followed by a public meeting on Tuesday, 17 January 2012.

- 59. Application TM/11/2143 (KCC/TM/0360/2011) Development of a Hazardous Waste Transfer Station at Unit 19, Mills Road, Quarry Wood industrial Estate, Aylesford; Cleansing Service Group Ltd (Item C1)
- (1) Mr P M Homewood and Mr C P Smith informed the Committee that they were acquainted with Tracey Crouch, MP and Cllr John Balcombe who had both responded on the application. Mr M B Robertson said that he was also acquainted with Cllr Balcombe. In each case, the acquaintanceship in question was not "a close association." They were therefore all able to approach the application with a fresh mind.
- (2) The Head of Planning Applications group reported correspondence from a planning consultant on behalf of a neighbouring development raising further objections to the application.
- (3) RESOLVED that permission be granted to the application subject to conditions including the standard time condition for implementation; the development being completed in accordance with the approved plans; a scheme of lighting

being submitted, showing all external lighting to be used; a limitation on vehicle movements; and the hours of operation being limited to those proposed.

- 60. Application DA/11/1043 (KCC/DA/0350/2011) Variation of Conditions 5,6 and 16 of Permission DA/07/1 (as amended) to allow modifications to phasing and soil storage arrangements and to increase the depth of excavation and resultant landfill of part of the Northern Extension at Pinden Quarry, Green Street Green Road, Dartford; Pinden Ltd (Item C2)
- (1) The Committee noted that the permitted depth set out in the Head of Planning Applications Group's recommendations in paragraph 101 (a) of the report should read "19 metres AOD" rather than "30".
- (2) RESOLVED that permission be granted to the application subject to conditions that:-
 - (a) amend the wording of condition 16 of Permission DA/07/1 (as amended) to increase the permitted depth of extraction in phases 5, 6 and 7 of the northern extension area to 19 metres AOD;
 - (b) amend the wording of conditions 5 and 6 of Permission DA/07/1 (as amended) to enable future changes to the scheme of working to be approved in writing by the County Planning Authority rather than require a further planning permission to be obtained and reflect approval of the temporary soil stockpiles on phases 2, 3A and 7;
 - (c) carry forward those conditions attached to Permission DA/07/1 (as amended), with such modifications as are necessary to reflect more recent permissions and approvals; and
 - (d) secure improved or additional landscape planting (particularly along the site frontage with Green Street Green Road).
- 61. Proposal SH/11/738 (KCC/SH/0330/2011) New modular classroom, fire access road and car park at Highview School, Moat Farm Road, Folkestone; KCC Property and Infrastructure Support (Item D1)
- (1) In agreeing the recommendation of the Head of Planning Applications Group, the Committee made minor amendments to its wording in order to stress the temporary nature of the permission.
- (2) RESOLVED that temporary permission be granted to the proposal requiring the mobile classroom to be removed from the site within five years from the date of the permission and subject to conditions requiring the building to be finished in light grey to match the adjoining building; details of the fencing being submitted for approval; the provision and retention of the 8 additional

car parking spaces; and a revised school travel plan being submitted for approval.

62. Matters dealt with under delegated powers (*Item E1*)

- (1) The Committee noted that Application TW/11/2454 reported in agenda item E1 was in respect of Horsmonden Wastewater Treatment Works.
- (2) RESOLVED to note matters 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) Screening opinions under Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 1999; and
 - (e) Scoping opinions under Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 1999 (None).