



Minutes of the meeting of the Plans Committee held in the Council Chamber,
Civic Centre, Uckfield on Monday 5 August 2024 at 7.00pm

Cllr. J. Love (Chair)
Cllr. K. Bedwell
Cllr. D. Bennett

Cllr. C. Macve (Vice Chair)
Cllr. S. Mayhew
Cllr. P. Ullmann

IN ATTENDANCE:

Cllr. P. Selby
Linda Lewis – Administrative Officer
Minutes taken by Linda Lewis

1.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members and officers were reminded to make any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interest that they may have in relation to any item on the agenda. In relation to agenda item 5.0 Planning Applications; application WD/2024/1619/F Highlands Inn, Eastbourne Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, TN22 5SP, Cllr. C. Macve and Cllr S. Mayhew each declared a personal interest, as both knew the applicant very well. Cllr. K. Bedwell declared a prejudicial interest in the same application as she and the applicant each had a connection with Ridgewood Village Hall.

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

None.

3.0 APOLOGIES

None.

4.0 MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the meeting held on 15 July 2024

P17.08.24 It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Plans Committee of the 15 July 2024, be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4.2 Action List

Members noted no change to the action list.

5.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

WD/2024/1605/F 35 LEALANDS DRIVE, UCKFIELD, TN22 1DW

Single storey extension.

P18.08.24 It was **RESOLVED** to support the application on the following grounds;

- A precedent existed as two other properties in the vicinity had similar extensions;
- There would be no detrimental impact to adjoining properties.

WD/2024/1619/F HIGHLANDS INN, EASTBOURNE ROAD, RIDGEWOOD, UCKFIELD, TN22 5SP

New windows to north, south, east and west elevations.

Cllrs. C. Macve, S. Mayhew and K. Bedwell reiterated that they each had an interest in the application and took no part in the discussion or the decision of the committee.

P19.08.24 It was **RESOLVED** to support the application as the character of the building would be retained and it would improve the sustainability of the property, in both environmental and aesthetic terms.

WD/2024/1016/LB RED TILES, HIGH STREET, UCKFIELD, TN22 1EH

Replacement of two first floor bedroom windows.

Amended plans received.

Following discussions members would have no reason to object to the application, so long as the works were fully in accordance with the recommendations of the Conservation Officer.

Members felt that the applicant had acted on the recommendation of the Conservation Officer as the windows were single glazed and noted that there were other measures to increase the thermal efficiency of the building.

P20.08.24 It was subsequently **RESOLVED** to support the application to the satisfaction of the Conservation Officer.

WD/2024/0911/F BUDLETTS LODGE, LONDON ROAD, UCKFIELD, TN22 2EA

Car port.

P21.08.24 It was **RESOLVED** to support the application as members understood that the proposals would be in accordance with pre-application discussions.

WD/2024/1699/LBR MILTON COTTAGE, PUDDING CAKE LANE, UCKFIELD, TN22 1BU

Retrospective application for internal alterations and car turntable with French drain.

P22.08.24 It was **RESOLVED** to object to the application on the following grounds:

- Members were not in favour of retrospective applications in any form;
- Members were disappointed to see this retrospective application return, particularly when previous applications had been withdrawn on numerous occasions;
- Members would object and were curious to the reasons works had taken place without approval and that the conditions attaining to the previous approval had not been met within this application.

WD/2024/1712/F FLAT 1, 130 HIGH STREET, UCKFIELD, TN22 1QR

2 replacement windows to front of property.

P23.08.24 It was **RESOLVED** object to the application.

As the property was within the Conservation Area, members felt the use of UPVC windows in place of wooden ones was not pertinent, and would draw this to the attention of the Conservation Officer.

6.0 DECISION NOTICES

WD/2023/2774/F

INSTALLATION OF AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMP AT THE REAR OF THE PROPERTY IN THE BACK GARDEN ADJACENT TO THE REAR WALL OF THE PROPERTY.

DIMENSIONS: H = 770 X W= 1250 X D= 362

MODEL: EDLA08E3V3

30 HARCOURT CLOSE, UCKFIELD, TN22 5DT

Response to Town Council: The Environmental Health Officer has recommended an advisory note be added to the decision notice in relation to planning permission not being a guarantee against noise complaints, and is satisfied that should any complaints be made there is enough room to install mitigation measures. No neighbour representations have been received.

WD/2024/1319/F

REMOVAL/DEMOLITION OF EXISTING CONSERVATORY AND ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND RECONFIGURATION OF EXISTING GARAGE ROOF.

32 CASTLE RISE, RIDGEWOOD, UCKFIELD, TN22 5UN

WD/2024/1278/LB

PART-REPLASTERING OF THE EXISTING LOWER GROUND STORE ROOM AND PROVISION OF A VENT TO THE FLUE WITHIN THE CHIMNEY BREAST.

2 BUCKSWOOD GRANGE, ROCKS ROAD, UCKFIELD, TN22 3PU

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/2024/1186/FA 30 SYCAMORE COURT, UCKFIELD, TN22 1TY

variation / removal of condition 3 of WD/2022/1465/F (proposed new 2-bedroom single storey dwelling) the external materials, including windows, used in the construction of the development hereby approved shall be as detailed on 7964/ms dated May 2024 and shall be retained permanently as such.

The material schedule has now been amended and the proposed brickwork has been changed from Ferro to soft red Vandersanden Country Blend

Further to the amendment of the material schedule, Uckfield Town Council support the application as the brickwork would be similar to that within the street scene.

WD/2024/1447/F FASTENER HOUSE, BOLTON CLOSE, BELLBROOK INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, UCKFIELD, TN22 1QW

Roof mounted solar panels, containerised battery storage and installation of three loading bay doors.

Uckfield Town Council support the application. Members commented that it was an environmentally sound proposal and that it was nice to see the panels on roofs and not on fields. Members welcomed the success of an Uckfield business.

Members noted the report.

The meeting closed at 7.26pm