

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

AREA 1 PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thursday, 30th May, 2019

Present: Cllr V M C Branson (Chairman), Cllr M D Boughton (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Mrs J A Anderson, Cllr Mrs P A Bates, Cllr G C Bridge, Cllr A E Clark, Cllr M O Davis, Cllr N Foyle, Cllr N J Heslop, Cllr M A J Hood, Cllr F A Hoskins, Cllr D W King, Cllr K King, Cllr J R S Lark, Cllr M R Rhodes, Cllr H S Rogers, Cllr Miss J L Sergison, Cllr Miss G E Thomas and Cllr F G Tombolis

Councillor D Lettington was also present pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No 15.21.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor J L Botten

PART 1 - PUBLIC

AP1 19/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

AP1 19/17 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Area 1 Planning Committee held on 21 February 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 3 OF THE CONSTITUTION (RESPONSIBILITY FOR COUNCIL FUNCTIONS)

AP1 19/18 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

Decisions were taken on the following applications subject to the pre-requisites, informatives, conditions or reasons for refusal set out in the report of the Director of Planning, Housing and Environmental Health or in the variations indicated below. Any supplementary reports were tabled at the meeting.

Members of the public addressed the meeting where the required notice had been given and their comments were taken into account by the Committee when determining the application. Speakers are listed under the relevant planning application shown below.

AP1 19/19 (A) TM/18/02206/FL AND (B) TM/19/00614/RD - DEVELOPMENT SITE, SOUTH PART OF WEST KENT COLLEGE, BROOK STREET, TONBRIDGE

- (A) Demolition of existing buildings and development of 53 dwellings comprising: 10 x 1 bed and 23 x 2 bed apartments in a part 3/4 storey building and 12 x 3 bed and 8 x 4 bed houses in part 2.5/3 storey buildings along with associated vehicular and pedestrian access, car parking and landscaping; and
- (B) Details of condition 14 (travel plan) pursuant to planning permission TM/07/01286/FL (Proposed college master plan project consisting of the erection of new educational buildings, improved access arrangements and associated car parking, landscaping and ancillary development) at Development Site, South part of West Kent College, Brook Street, Tonbridge.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) Application (A) TM/18/02206/FL be REFUSED for the following reason:

1. The proposed development, by virtue of the siting, scale, massing and height of Plots 3 – 8 combined with The Spinney, would result in an intrusive and dominant form of development when viewed from the neighbouring property, which would cause harm to the outlook and the residential amenities of the occupants. The development is therefore contrary to policy CP24 of the Tonbridge and Malling Borough Core Strategy 2007 and the requirements contained at paragraphs 127(c and f) and 130 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2018.

- (2) Determination of Application (B) TM/19/00614/RD be DEFERRED.

[Speakers in respect of Application TM/18/02206/FL: Mr J van Staden, Mr N Rawlings, Mr T Plaine – members of the public; Ms D Huntingford on behalf of Tonbridge Civic Society; and Ms T Puttock – Applicant. Speakers in respect of Application TM/19/00614/RD: Mr S Moon – Agent]

AP1 19/20 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items considered in private.

The meeting ended at 9.02 pm