

TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

AREA 2 PLANNING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 23rd January, 2019

Present: Cllr Mrs F A Kemp (Chairman), Cllr B J Luker (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Mrs J A Anderson, Cllr M A C Balfour, Cllr Mrs S M Barker, Cllr R P Betts, Cllr S R J Jessel, Cllr Mrs S L Luck, Cllr P J Montague, Cllr S C Perry, Cllr H S Rogers, Cllr Miss J L Sergison and Cllr Miss S O Shrubsole

Councillors O C Baldock and N J Heslop were also present pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No 15.21.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M A Coffin, L J O'Toole, T B Shaw and M Taylor

PART 1 - PUBLIC

AP2 19/1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

AP2 19/2 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Area 2 Planning Committee held on 12 December 2018 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)

AP2 19/3 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.

AP2 19/4 TM/18/02642/FL - LAND AT WEST OF STATION ROAD NORTH, WEST MALLING

Use of land to provide station car parking and new access at land west of Station Road North, West Malling.

RESOLVED: That planning permission be DEFERRED for a Members' Site Inspection

[Speakers: Richard Byatt – West Malling Parish Council; Nigel Numas – Member of the public and Gavin Cooper - agent]

AP2 19/5 TM/18/02444/FL - 246 BUTCHERS LANE, MEREWORTH

Erection of detached dwelling at 246 Butchers Lane, Mereworth.

RESOLVED: That planning permission be REFUSED for the following reason:

- (1) The development by virtue of its overall size and layout when considered within the context of the restricted size and shape of the plot could not be satisfactorily accommodated and would appear as an unduly cramped form of development, which would cause demonstrable visual harm to the street scene and the amenities of the wider locality. As such, the proposed development is contrary to the requirements of policy CP24 of the Tonbridge and Malling Borough Core Strategy 2007, policy SQ1 of the Managing Development and the Environment DPD 2010 and the requirements of paragraphs 127 and 130 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2018.

[Speakers: Andrew Wells – Mereworth Parish Council; Michael Collins, Stephen Reynolds, Susan Bowman, Irene Collins, Ted Muggridge, Gary Bowman and Sarah King-Pascoe (statement read by Susan Bowman) – members of the public and Paull Trigg - agent]

AP2 19/6 TM/18/01627/TNCA - LAND ADJACENT TO OLDBURY HATCH, OLDBURY LANE, IGHTHAM

Removal of 18 Beech; 1 Pine; 5 Hornbeam; 6 Acacia; 1 Oak; 2 Holly and 1 Silver Birch trees from garden to be replaced with various different species at land adjacent to Oldbury Hatch, Oldbury Lane, Ightham.

RESOLVED: That the Tree Preservation Order, as set out in Annex 1 to the report, be CONFIRMED in the interests of amenity and to protect the trees in question.

AP2 19/7 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items considered in private.

The meeting ended at 8.45 pm