

HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 31 July 2017

C N Laband (*Chairman*)
M J Pulfer (*Vice Chairman*) **
Mrs C Cheney
R J R Clarke
E W Dwight
A C McPherson
H A Munda

* Absent
** Apologies

Also present:

Councillor S R Hillier
Mr Eric Bassett, Chair of the Haywards Heath Society

Regarding application number DM/17/2764 – Linden House, Birch Avenue:

Mr Peter Drake, Mrs Charlotte Drake and Mr Richard Silander (on behalf of Mr and Mrs Greg), all of whom had registered to speak *against* the application;

Mr Sean Reardon, who had registered to speak on behalf of the developer, Signature Linden Ltd, in order to make a short statement *in support of* the application;

Regarding application number DM/17/2917 – Units 4, 5 and 6 Hurst Farm, Hurstwood Lane:

Mr Mark Smith, who had registered with the Chairman to speak *against* the application.

27. Apologies

The following apology was received:

Member	Reason for Absence
Cllr M J Pulfer	Holiday

28. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 10 July 2017 were taken as read, confirmed as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

29. Substitutes

Councillor Hillier substituted for Councillor Pulfer. In the absence of Councillor Pulfer, Members were asked to nominate and agree a Vice Chairman for the meeting. Councillor Laband proposed Councillor McPherson; this was seconded by Councillor Clarke and it was **AGREED** unanimously that Councillor McPherson be Vice Chairman.

30. Members' Declarations of Interest

Councillor Howard Mundin made the following declaration:

"I declare a personal interest in all planning applications under agenda item 6 as an elected Member of Mid Sussex District Council (MSDC) appointed to Planning Committee B. I further reserve the right to alter my views should the applications come before Planning Committee B, based on contributions from the public, other Members or reports from MSDC Officers."

Other declarations were made as follows:

Member	Application No./ Agenda Item No.	Location	Nature of Interest
Cllr R J R Clarke	Agenda Item 5 – Licensing Application LI/17/1136	K and A Enterprise 118 South Road	Is a director of Savannah Café Bar, 44–46 The Broadway, which, being an existing licensed premises, could be considered as being in competition with this business <i>Cllr Clarke took no part in the consideration of this application</i>

31. Planning Appeals

There were none.

32. Licensing Applications

Members noted that the following applications to vary a premises licence had been lodged with Mid Sussex District Council:

Application No. & Applicant	Application Type	Premises Address	Nature of Variation
LI/17/1136 Mr Kandeepan Kandhasamy	Premises	K and A Enterprise 118 South Road	Extension of licensing hours for sale of alcohol
LI/17/1229 Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd	Premises	Sainsbury's Bannister Way	Changes to the internal layout of the premises

With regard to the application for K and A Enterprise (LI/17/1136), Members were extremely concerned that if a finishing time of 01:00 hours daily for the sale of alcohol from the premises were to be permitted, the 'prevention of public nuisance' licensing objective would be compromised, as the extended hours could encourage late night street drinking and antisocial behaviour *after* the local bars had closed at 00:30 hours. This would be contrary to the wider

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32. Licensing Applications (cont.)

public interest. It was agreed, therefore, to convey this observation to the Mid Sussex District Council Licensing Team, adding that the Town Council *would* support a finishing time of 22:00 hours daily for the sale of alcohol.

33. Comments and Observations on Planning Applications

Members made comments and observations on 40 planning applications as per Appendix 1 attached.

With regard to the application for Linden House, Birch Avenue (DM/17/2764), Members were given to understand that a number of trees on the site had already been felled. This was undoubtedly a cause for concern and they agreed, therefore, that Mid Sussex District Council should be asked to make a 'blanket' Tree Preservation Order covering the entire development site.

34. Street Naming for Phase 2 of Residential Development on Land South of Rocky Lane

Members had before them a report explaining the requirement for five new road names for Phase 2 of the Crest Nicholson residential development ('The Beeches') on land south of Rocky Lane. Although the development fell within the parish of Ansty and Staplefield, Ansty and Staplefield Parish Council had stated that it was *'happy to go with the names suggested by the developer or any suggested by Haywards Heath Town Council'*. This was because of the proximity of the development to Haywards Heath and because the Town Council was probably better placed to select names that did not duplicate or conflict with any pre-existing road names in the town. The developer had put forward the suggestions of Kilwood Avenue, Buckeridge Way, The Sandrocks, Wickham Crescent and Ford Close. Members had also been provided with the Town Council's two 'reserve' lists of names, which were compiled of unused suggestions arising from previous street naming exercises.

After due discussion, Members **AGREED** upon the following:

- a. to **accept** the developer's suggested road names of **Kilwood Avenue** and **Buckeridge Way**;
- b. to **reject** the developer's suggested road names of **The Sandrocks**, **Wickham Crescent** and **Ford Close** – The Sandrocks and Wickham Close to be rejected because of their similarity to pre-existing road names in the town and the potential for causing address management problems;
- c. as an alternative to the names rejected in **b.** above, to put forward the following four names from the Town Council's 'reserve' lists: **The Holt**, **Bellingham**, **Pennyfather** and **Springbank** – three out of these four to be selected by the Mid Sussex District Council Street Naming and Numbering Officer/the developer. (All of these names originated from a selection put forward by the Haywards Heath Society when Phase 1 of the development came up for street naming.)

35. **Items Agreed as Urgent by the Chairman**
There were none.

The meeting closed at 9:33pm.

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