

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022 IN THE OLD SCHOOL ROOM, MARDEN MEMORIAL HALL, GOUDHURST ROAD, MARDEN COMMENCING AT 7.30PM

#### **255/22 PRESENT:**

Cllrs Boswell, Newton, Robertson, Tippen and Turner (in the Chair). Cllr Besant and the Clerk were also in attendance.

#### 256/22 APOLOGIES:

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Adam, Gibson and Stevens.

## 257/22 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th March 2022 were agreed and signed as a true record.

## 258/22 CLLR INFORMATION

#### **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **Granting of Dispensation**

There were no requests for dispensation on any item on this agenda

## 259/22 IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS INVOLVING PUBLIC SPEAKING

There were no members of the public in attendance.

# 260/22 PLANNING APPLICATIONS WITHIN MARDEN PARISH

## 22/500901/FULL - Reed Court Farm, Hunton Road

Erection of a swimming pool building

Cllrs viewed this application but felt the building was overbearing and harmful to the setting of the listed building and detrimental to the open countryside. They therefore recommended refusal being contrary to Maidstone Borough Council Local Plan Policies DM1, DM4 and DM30 and Marden Neighbourhood Plan Policy BE1.

## 22/500921/FULL - Stilebridge Barn, Maidstone Road

Demolition of brick archway to side, greenhouse and side garage. Erection of thicker external walls, insertion of replacement windows and doors. Erection of single storey side/rear extension and detached double garage.

Cllrs, following a vote of 3 to 2, had no objection to this application but Cllrs wished it raised that the applicant has not demonstrated conformity to Marden Neighbourhood Plan.

## 22/501265/TCA – Westfield, West End

Conservation Area notification to reduce one Oak tree to radial width of 5m, height of 10.5m; Re-pollard five Lime trees; Reduce one Oak tree to radial width of 2.75m, height of 9m. Noted

## 261/22 PLANNING APPLICATIONS OUTSIDE MARDEN PARISH:

No planning applications received which are relevant to Marden.

#### 262/22 MBC DECISIONS & APPEALS

#### **Decisions**

Decisions received from MBC:

22/500178/LBC - Bridgelands Cottage, High Street

Listed building consent for erection of single storey rear extension and insertion of replacement double glazed timber windows and front door.

MPC: No objection subject to Conservation Officer's approval

MBC: Refused

#### **Decisions outside Marden Parish**

No decisions received from MBC

## **Appeals**

No appeals received.

## **MBC Planning Committee**

The next MBC Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

Cllrs Boswell and Tippen attended a meeting held today with residents of Chainhurst regarding Reed Court Farm Chicken Farm application. An update was given to the meeting. The application may not go before MBC Planning Committee until June/July due to purdah.

#### 263/22 OTHER PLANNING ISSUES:

## Maidstone Borough Council Local Plan - Regulation 19

Update from SPI Meeting held on  $21^{st}$  March 2022 – all major modifications had been agreed following some small changes. The formal submission to the Inspector will be on  $30^{th}$  March.

## MBC Strategic Planning and Infrastructure (SPI) Committee Meetings

Meeting to be held on 12th April 2022.

## 264/22 MARDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Next meeting to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022 to discuss Open Day.

#### 265/22 INVOICES FOR PAYMENT:

#### **Donations**

Cllrs discussed the remainder of the 2022/23 budget for donations. Cllr Tippen proposed, and all Cllrs agreed, that the remainder of the budget of £600 be donated to Marden Foodbank. The Clerk would add to Unity and Cllrs Boswell and Tippen would authorise on Thursday.

## Invoices

The following invoices for payment were submitted to the meeting:

Alison Hooker (Homeleighs) additional roofing for cemetery shed - £85.77

Marden Memorial Hall – office rent, hall hire, youth club hall hire, cleaning - £626.85

Auditing Solutions Ltd – End of Year Internal Audit - £420.00

Castle Water – water supply at Changing Rooms – £26.54

Cllr K Tippen – Top soil for roses at cemetery - £7.99

Total: £1,167.15

Cllrs agreed to payments and Cllrs Newton and Turner would authorise payment.

The meeting was not closed for Part II Confidential items as there were no new or updates received.

## 266/22 ENFORCEMENT

#### **New/Reported Alleged Enforcement**

## **MBC** Update on Enforcement

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.37pm

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022 Signed: *Cllr Andy Turner* 

Chairman, Marden Planning Committee

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