

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN HARTLEY LIBRARY ON 8th FEBRUARY 2023 AT 10:00 a.m.

Present:

Cllr L Abraham
Cllr C Alford
Cllr A Oxtoby
Cllr B Ramsay
Cllr I Ross
Cllr V Sewell

In attendance:

Mrs J Tyrrell (*Assistant Clerk*)

Before the start of the meeting, members of the Committee inspected the application site 22/03411/HOUSE Alba, Ash Road.

1. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 25 th January 2023, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
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4. Planning Applications

a) 22/03411/HOUSE Alba, Ash Road. First floor side extension, loft conversion with dormer roof, Juliet balcony and roof lights. Ground floor single storey extension at the rear, conversion of the garage into a habitable area and a new build porch. Alterations to fenestration.

The Committee noted that one letter of representation had been received from members of the public.

RESOLVED: That, an objection be submitted in respect of application 22/03411/HOUSE Alba, Ash Road. First floor side extension, loft conversion with dormer roof, Juliet balcony and roof lights. Ground floor single storey extension at the rear, conversion of the garage into a habitable area and a new build porch. Alterations to fenestration. Hartley Parish Council considers that the siting of the additional windows in the proposed extension would seriously detract from the amenities presently enjoyed by the occupiers of the neighbouring residential property.

5. Members had been requested to receive and note the following planning decisions:

Application no	Site	Description and SDC decision	HPC comment
22/03446/HOUSE	Timberlea, Church Road	Demolition of existing flank garage and erection of two storey rear extension together with two storey flank extension and internal alterations. Roof alterations with chimneys removed. Front porch. Granted	No objection

6. Tree Preservation Order

Application for consent to cut down, prune or uproot trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

Site: St Margaret, Manor Drive

Ref: 23/00169/WTPO

Development: T1 – Pine – Fell to ground level

Members noted that this application has been received by Sevenoaks District Council to carry out operations described above.

As there is no statutory requirement to publicise this application, this was for information purposes only.

8. Sevenoaks District Council Local Plan

Cllr Alford recapped on the history of the Settlement Hierarchy for Hartley reminding Members that in 2015, Hartley was classified as a “village”.

When it became apparent in 2018, that Hartley had been re-classified as a “Local Service Centre”, an objection was lodged with Sevenoaks District Council.

Having been further classified to its current classification as a “Service Village”, yet another objection was raised, complete with supporting evidence.

Members agreed that although they believed this classification was incorrect, there was no further action that Hartley could take at the moment but it was suggested when the Green Belt Consultation was received in the Autumn, that this matter is raised again.

9. Planning Enforcement Updates

A verbal update was given on the enforcement cases currently being considered by Sevenoaks District Council Enforcement Team.

10. Date of the next meeting

Wednesday 22nd February commencing at 10:00 a.m.

Site inspections will commence at 09:45 a.m. or earlier, depending on the number of visits required.

The meeting closed at 10:30 a.m.

Signed:

Date:

Chairman of the Planning Committee.