

Present R. Burman in the Chair, Mrs M. Bolton, Mrs Y Sen, A.T. Jones, D McBeth, P.M. Smith and the Clerk Mrs Mary Holman.

Apologies Mrs B. Brittain (recuperating), Mrs C.M. Robinson (unwell), D. Carpenter (away)

296. Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 9th April having been circulated, were taken as read, agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
297. Co-option An application had been received and circulated from Mark Madden, Dumbrells Court. It was agreed that Mark Madden should be co-opted onto the Council.
298. Minute 274 Neighbourhood Plan The wording for the flyer has been submitted, a draft flyer was considered and approved. It was agreed to have them printed in A3 size for distribution to every household and business in the Parish. The Chairman reported that he knew of someone who would distribute them for a reasonable cost. He agreed to obtain further details. The Clerk was asked to contact Andrew Triggs and Tal Kleiman about facilitating the public meeting. These matters would be discussed again briefly at the next Special Meeting to be held at 7.25pm on Tuesday 14th May prior to the APM at 8pm.
299. Minute 281 Need for new car park. Report of meeting held by the Group re suggestions for a site for an additional car park. The land on the south side of Keymer Road was still under discussion but would only be possible if the speed limit was reduced. It was suggested to refer back to a letter from Lindsay Frost LDC when the Jointure Land had been considered, at that time it was agreed to look into enlarging the Village Hall Car Park by including the grassed area. The Clerk agreed to look into the background and the result of how it was progressed.
300. Minute 282 Cardboard recycling etc LDC had replied that Julia Black had met with the occupier of the site on Spatham Lane and the response was not positive. Julia has left her to think it over but fully expects the final response to be that she is not interested / willing for us to use some of her land given her initial response. In the meantime we have progressed to the point where we now believe we can move cardboard recycling out to all kerbside rounds with the exception of five rounds: One round in Wivelsfield that is not dependent on the Ditchling site and is being progressed separately and we have a site currently subject to consultation, and One round in Ditchling; 2 rounds in South Chailey; One round in Streat (and surrounding areas) all of which are dependent on finding a solution in Ditchling." It was agreed to find out if possible the length of the lease the lady has on the land.
301. Minute 284 Rugby Club The future of the main pitch by the Pavilion was discussed at length as the Rugby Club wishes to use it. It was agreed that the Rugby and Football Clubs were given permission to swap their pitches for 2 seasons after which it would be reviewed.
302. Minute 285 Lodge Hill Lane It was noted that the Improvements to the verges were awaited.
303. Minute 291 A.T. Jones – War Memorial floodlighting and plaque. It was reported that the Royal British Legion, Ditchling Branch would like to go ahead with re-instating the floodlighting and also producing a small plaque explaining its history etc. No objections were raised.
304. Minute 294. New Car Parking Regulations - Ditchling Village Hall Car It was hoped that Bee Lewes would be able to attend the meeting but unfortunately it was not convenient, however she reported she was going Barcombe PC on Thursday and had resolved Ringmer's objections (they were happy to go with 24 hours). A.T. Jones reported that it had been discussed at the Cabinet and the limit on all three car parks would be 24 hours.
305. Minute 295. 13/00784/FUL. Demolition of 60 Folders Lane and residential development of 5 dwellings. 60 Folders Lane Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0DX. It was noted that Councillor Tom Jones would represent the District and Parish Councils at the MSDC Planning Meeting in opposing the development. Tom Jones reported to the Council that it had been refused.
306. LW/13/0239 July House Common Lane Case Officer: Mr Andrew Hill
Planning Application - Removal of Condition 2 relating to planning approval LW/10/0963 - which states 'The use hereby permitted, to provide accommodation for up to six children and two carers, shall be carried on only by Families for Children' to enable the transfer of ownership and operation of July House to new owners for Mr P Thatcher.

No objections providing the appropriate authorities have been consulted on the new owner's suitability to run the establishment.

307. Case No: SDNP/13/01517/FUL

Date Valid: 8 April 2013

Decision due: 3 June 2013

Team: LDCNTH

Case Officer:

Ms Samantha Prior (Lewes DC)

Applicant: Mr I W Simon Clark

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 2 x 4 bedroom detached dwellings and 1 x 3 bedroom detached bungalow

Location: Sporting Cars Sussex Ltd, 68 Lewes Road, Ditchling, Hassocks, East Sussex

It was agreed to object to the application on the grounds that there was a need for low cost market housing and affordable housing in the Parish, it would prefer to see five small properties on the site.

308. Case No: SDNP/13/01705/FUL Date Valid: 12 April 2013 Decision due: 7 June 2013

Team: LDCNTH Case Officer: Miss Amanda Collison (Lewes DC)

Applicant: Mr A Dawson

Proposal: Renewal of planning application LW/10/0552 for the erection of a single storey detached three bedroom dwelling

Location: Land Rear Of 50A, Lewes Road, Ditchling, East Sussex

No objections.

309. SDNP/13/01747/TCA

Bramley House 5 Emett Gardens Ditchling Hassocks East Sussex BN6 8FB

Proposal Fell young Field Maple sapling, replace with 2 new trees, nearer fence; -Remove 4 very young saplings (over-grown hedging plants); -Fell Leylandii fir tree (marked F on plan) and replant with 2 indigenous trees

No objections.

310. SDNP/13/01563/TCA

Alternative Reference

PP-02565223

Application Received

Fri 05 Apr 2013

Address

1 North End Ditchling Hassocks East Sussex BN6 8TD

Proposal

Bay - (T1,T2) - reduce height by 2-3 m and trim sides

No objections.

311. Finance Matters

a) Checklist for Audit and Insurance The file with the reconciliations and reports for the month of March was laid on the table, having been scrutinised by one of the Financial Controllers.

b) Accounts for payment The accounts for payment had been circulated prior to the meeting, having first been scrutinised by one of the financial controllers. The invoices were agreed for payment and the cheques signed by the Chairman and Don McBeth.

312. Ditchling Archery Club. It has been asked to hold the Sussex Junior Shoot for the county on 13th July and would like the Council's permission. This was agreed.

313. Ditchling Streat and Westmeston Inter Village Sports. Request to use the Rec on 27th May for track events and the three Villages Chase on 26th May. This was agreed.

314. Spatham lane Speeding Westmeston PC would like the parish Council to back its proposals. Following receipt of email from the Chairman of Westmeston Parish Council, it was agreed to set up a joint working Committee with them to see what money was available for changes and to work with the Highway Authority on reducing speed both in Spatham Lane and the other areas which have been discussed previously. Tom Jones and Don McBeth would represent the Council on the working group.

At this stage the meeting was adjourned as it was turned 10pm. The adjourned items would be added to the Agenda for either 14th or 28th May.

Ditchling Nurseries – LDC proposed travellers site. More information required regarding the background to the proposals and the reasons for its approval should it become available. Please see papers to follow.

Spatham lane Speeding Westmeston PC would like the parish Council to back its proposals. Please see email

CPRE newsletter etc.

Bus service review Please see details already circulated, this affects the 824 Village Rider service through Ditchling.

7. Written reports by representatives No written reports received.
Village Hall Management Committee – Mrs Catherine Robinson
Ditchling Pavilion Club - Mrs C. M. Robinson.
The Ditchling Society –R Burman
Ditchling Village Association – Mrs C.M. Robinson
Lewes District Association of Local Councils (two representatives) – D McBeth and P. Smith.
8. Matters raised by Councillors D McBeth Speed limits details circulated.
9. Matters raised by Councillors for exchange of Information or inclusion on the next Agenda. Although it was stated at the March meeting that the Council could discuss anything. Stand Orders state a In accordance with standing order 3(b)(iii) above, no motion may be moved at a meeting unless it is included in the agenda and the mover has given written notice of its wording to the Council's Proper Officer at least 6 clear days before the next meeting.

Chairman

14th May 2013