

## NEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the Meeting of the Planning Committee of Newick Parish Council held at Newick Sports Pavilion, King George V Playing Field, Allington Road, Newick, on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 6.30 p.m.

**Present:** Councillors: C. Armitage, M. Halsey, I. Nesbitt, J. Smerdon, J. White and C. Wickens

**In Attendance:** Mrs. S. Berry (Clerk)  
Three members of the public

An audio recording was made of the meeting

- 1. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman for this committee** – It was agreed that Cllr. Nesbitt should be elected Chairman for this committee (4 votes in favour and 2 against) and that Cllr. White should be elected Vice Chairman (unanimous).
- 2. Apologies for Absence** – Apologies had been received from Cllr. M. Thew.
- 3. Disclosure by Members of personal interest in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.** There were no disclosures of personal interest in matters on the agenda.
- 4. Questions or Statements by Members of the Public** –  
Mr Marshall (site owner) and Mr Best (agent) spoke in support of planning application LW/18/0336

Mr Marshall stated that the current units on the site were all full, including some more recent infill, and that there was still a demand for additional units. He estimated that the new units, if built would provide employment for an additional 73 to 75 people. He advised that the woodland screening around the site would remain but that, in order to make room for the additional units for which planning consent was being sought, some trees would have to be removed. Mr Marshall showed photographs of trees that were currently overhanging the buildings on the site and said that in order to allow easier maintenance of the site an application was being made for partial removal of the existing tree preservation orders.

Mr Best stated that, as previously requested by Newick Parish Council, they had tried to consult with the National Trust at Sheffield Park about their proposals but had not received any response. He referred to the various reports and studies that had been carried out to inform the planning application and confirmed that the intention was to keep the site as an industrial estate. He highlighted Newick Neighbourhood Plan policies to encourage business in the local area. Mr Best referred to the area of woodland on the site that is designated 'ancient woodland' and stated that proposals for mitigation of the removal of part of this woodland had been made to Lewes District Council. In answer to a question raised by members of the committee, Mr Best showed a plan of the area designated ancient woodland and indicated how much of this area would be built on.

### 5. Planning Applications

**Newick**  
LW/18/0336

**Case Officer:**  
Mr Piotr Kulik

**Unit 8 Sheffield Park Business Estate East Grinstead Road North  
Chailey**

Outline Planning Application - Erection of No.2 business units for B1 (Office), B2 (General Industrial) and B8 (Storage and Distribution) and reduction to TPO area for maintenance purposes for Epic Real Estates Ltd.

Whilst noting that Newick Neighbourhood Plan policies LE1 and LE2 supported small scale expansion of local business premises including on

this site, it was agreed to **object** to this planning application on the grounds that the proposed development would require the removal of part of an area of ancient woodland. (5 votes in favour of objecting and 1 abstention).

*Two members of the public left the meeting at 6.58 p.m.*

**Newick**

LW/18/0427

**Case Officer:**

Mr Christopher  
Wright

**Quineys Cornwell's Bank**

Planning Application - Extension to existing bungalow with rooms in the roof to a two-storey house on the same footprint, window alterations and open porch extension to the front for Mr G Tijou. It was agreed to make **no comment** on this planning application.

**5.1 Approvals/Refusals etc.** – It was noted that the following application had been **approved** by Lewes District Council:-

**LW/18/0278 Little Grange, Goldbridge Road** – Planning application for formation of an all weather riding arena for private use. Permission granted subject to conditions including no floodlighting and that the sand school should only be used in association with Little Grange as a dwelling and not let out or used for commercial purposes.

**5.2 Tree Works Applications** - There had been no tree works applications.

The Meeting Closed at 7.01 p.m.

**Signed:** ..... **Dated:**.....