TANDRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes and report to Council of the meeting of the Committee held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Station Road East, Oxted on the 3rd March 2022 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Councillors Blackwell (Chair), C.White (Vice-Chair), Botten (substitute in place of Gray), Connolly, Duck, Farr, Lockwood, Mansfield, Moore, Morrow, Prew, Ridge and Shiner.

PRESENT (Virtually): Councillor Gray

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors Black, Hammond, Pursehouse and Steeds

ALSO PRESENT (Virtually): Councillors Mills and Stamp

269. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Moore declared an interest in agenda item 5.1 (minute 271) as she had responded to the online consultation following a conversation with a member of the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Community regarding an unrelated planning matter.

270. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 13TH JANUARY 2022

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

271. 2021/1983 - PENDELL CAMP, LAND OFF MERSTHAM ROAD, MERSTHAM, SURREY

The applicant, Surrey County Council, sought permission to use land at Pendall Camp as a ten pitch transit site for the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller (GRT) community, including the erection of amenity blocks, site manager's office, creation of a vehicular access, landscaping and parking. The formal decision on the application will be made by Surrey County Council. Tandridge District Council were a consultee in the application process and the report before the Committee provided a summary of the matters to be considered locally.

The Officer recommendation was to object to the consultation.

Councillor Kiss of Bletchingley Parish Council spoke against the application.

Councillor Morrow put forward the following motion to not object to the consultation:

"The proposal represents inappropriate development in the Green Belt but sufficient very special circumstances exist which clearly outweigh the harm to the Greenbelt, AONB and AGLV".

Councillor Prew seconded the motion. Upon being put to the vote, the motion was lost.

RESOLVED – that the Council will object to the Surrey County Council consultation.

272. 2021/1948 - HAZELWOOD SCHOOL, WOLFS HILL, LIMPSFIELD RH8 0QU

The Committee considered an application for the variation of conditions 5 (approved operation hours) and 6 (approved floodlight usage hours) attached to planning permission 2020/1776 which was granted by the committee on 4 March 2021.

The Officer recommendation was to permit, subject to conditions.

Mr Tim Pope, the applicant's agent, spoke in favour of the application.

RESOLVED – that planning permission be granted, subject to conditions.

273. RECENT APPEAL DECISIONS RECEIVED

The Interim Chief Planning Officer updated the Committee on the following application which was dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate.

APP/G2245/W/21/3273188 - Former Broke Hill Golf Course, Sevenoaks Road, Sevenoaks, TN14 7HR

It was noted that the application was not a Tandridge District Council decision. However, it was the view of the Interim Chief Planning Officer that the decision may be of interest to the Committee given the current situation with the Council's Local Plan.

Rising 9.13 pm