

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF TANDRIDGE

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 2 March 2023.

PRESENT: Councillors Blackwell (Chair), C.White (Vice-Chair), Botten, Chotai, C.Farr, Gray, Montgomery, Moore, Prew, Steeds and S.Farr (Substitute) (In place of B.Black)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Allen

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor B.Black

250. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were given. However, a declaration of interest was given later in the meeting (minute number 255).

251. MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON THE 2 FEBRUARY 2023

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

252. APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION BY COMMITTEE

Before proceeding with the applications, the Committee received an update from the Interim Head of Development Management on the work currently being undertaken by the Planning Department.

During the course of the week, Officers had been focusing on clearing the current backlog of planning applications. 87 planning applications had been cleared to date. In addition, there were also a large number of prepared reports awaiting approval. It was expected that the number of cleared reports would be a much larger figure by the end of the week. Councillors were thanked for their patience whilst this work was undertaken. It was anticipated that clearing the backlog would ease the workload of the Officers in the future.

253. 2021/75 - OLDENCRAIG, TANDRIDGE LANE, LINGFIELD, SURREY, RH7 6LL

The Committee considered a report requesting consent for the Council to enter into a Deed of Variation to a Section 106 Agreement associated with planning permission for the demolition of existing buildings and erection of 22 dwellings with associated parking and amenity space.

The Officer recommendation was for the Head of Planning and Head of Legal to be authorised to proceed with a revised S106 agreement on behalf of the Council relating to planning permission TA/2021/75 as per the terms set out in the report.

R E S O L V E D – that the Head of Planning and Head of Legal be authorised to proceed with a revised S106 agreement on behalf of the Council relating to planning permission TA/2021/75 as per the terms set out in the report.

**254. 2022/1312 - 7 WINDMILL CLOSE, CATERHAM, SURREY, CR3
5QW**

The Committee considered an application for the formation of a dropped kerb and hard standing driveway at a Council owned property.

The officer recommendation was to permit, subject to conditions.

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

**255. 2023/35/TPO - IRONSTONE, 4 WESTERHAM ROAD, LIMPSFIELD,
OXTED, RH8 0ER**

Before the Committee debated the item, due to a personal interest in the application, Councillor Blackwell left the chamber. Councillor White, the Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee, chaired the remainder of the meeting. Councillor Steeds also informed the Committee that, as she was related to the applicant, she would not vote on the application.

Once Councillor Blackwell had left the Council Chamber, the Committee considered an application to permit pruning works to an oak tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order. The works included the reduction of a section of the crown growing towards house by up to 2.5m and all deadwood less than 6cm in diameter be removed.

The Officer recommendation was to permit, subject to conditions.

RESOLVED – that permission for the works be granted, subject to conditions

Rising 8.05 pm