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The minutes of the **PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**
Held on **Monday 22nd April 2024 at 6.45 pm**
At Willingdon Community Hub Library, Coppice Avenue, Willingdon.

Present: Cllrs Fran Pritchett (FP) (Chair), Howard Coote (HC), Sally Morris (SM), Ian Nisbet (IN), John Pritchett BEM (JP), Andy Watkins (AW).

In Attendance: Mary Hammill (MH) – Administration Officer and 4 members of public.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Action By</u>
<u>P24/51</u>	<u>Apologies, Councillors not present and notifications of substitutes</u> There were apologies from Cllr Clennell who had to work. These were NOTED .	
<u>P24/52</u>	<u>The minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 2nd April 2024</u> The minutes of Tuesday 2 nd April 2024 were signed as a true and accurate record by Cllr F Pritchett (Chair).	
<u>P24/53</u>	<u>Declaration of interest</u> Cllr A Watkins declared an interest in Planning Application Number WD/2024/0736/F .	
<u>P24/54</u>	<u>Public Question Time</u> <i>The Chair suspended standing orders at 6.47pm.</i> There were four members of public present regarding Planning Application Number WD/2024/0821/F . The owner gave an explanation about his application and his plans to have more space. He stressed he had tried to be as sympathetic as possible to the original design. He added he had consulted with his neighbours who had all been very positive about his plans. <i>The Chair reinstated standing orders at 6.55pm.</i>	
<u>P24/55</u>	<u>Planning applications</u> WD/2024/0821//F - 94 Church Street, Willingdon, BN22 0HU Proposed demolition of existing detached timber garage, widening of existing access along with two storey side extension and single-storey rear contemporary extension. The Members AGREED to SUPPORT this application. WD/2024/0543/F - 12 Gorrington Valley Road, Willingdon, BN20 9SX Conversion of lost space to provide three bedrooms and bathroom, alteration of roof from hipped to gable, adding a flat dormer to the rear roof slope and velux rooflight to road facing roof slope. The Members AGREED to OBJECT to this application for the following reasons:	

Overdevelopment of the plot.
Intrusive and detrimental to the neighbours as they will lose their privacy.
Loss of an already depleted bungalow stock.
Members felt this is contrary to the saved policy EN27 in its design, amenity and scale.
There appears to be a potential access issue to the rear of the property and Members felt that this application warrants further investigation by the WDC Planning Officers.

WD/2024/0713/F – 25 Cornmill Gardens, Wannock, BN26 5NJ
Front dormer with balcony to extend existing loft conversion.

The Members **AGREED** to **OBJECT** to this application for the following reasons:

Not in keeping with the street scene.
Will set a precedent.
Members felt this is contrary to the Wealden Design Guide and the saved policy EN27 in its design, amenity and scale.

WD/2024/0776/F – 60 Seven Sisters Road, Lower Willingdon, BN22 0NT
Single storey extensions to rear of property and porch extension to front of property, together with demolition of existing single garage to side of property. Driveway widened to suit.

The Members **AGREED** to **SUPPORT** this application although concerns were raised about the widening of the existing driveway. Members felt that WDC Planning Officers should check their maps for this area as the proposed works may compromise some of the PC’s amenity land.

WD/2024/0684/F – 97 Eastbourne Road, Lower Willingdon, BN20 9NG
Proposed single storey rear extension.

The Members **AGREED** to **SUPPORT** this application.

WD/2024/0736/F – Silver Birches, 2 Tott Yew Road, Lower Willingdon, BN20 9QB

The Members **AGREED** to **SUPPORT** this application although concerns were raised about the road which is in a state of poor repair. Any more heavy traffic could cause serious problems. To check with the Clerk that this has been reported to ESCC Highways.

WD/2024/0786/F – 10 Combe Rise, Willingdon, BN20 9LG
Loft conversion including extending front and rear gables along with dormer window at side.

The Members **AGREED** to **OBJECT** to this application for the following reasons:

Intrusive and detrimental to the neighbours as they will lose their privacy.
It is not aesthetically pleasing.
It is not in keeping with other properties in the area.
It is hoped that the Dark Skies Policy will be adhered to on this application particularly due to its proximity to the South Downs National Park.

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Planning Decisions

Plan Number	Address	Decision	Comments
WD/2024/0127/F	13 Downsview Road, Willingdon, BN20 9PT	Refuse	Objections
WD/2024/0394/F	20 Eastbourne Road, Willingdon, BN20 9LB	Approve	Agreed
WD/2024/0439/F	10 Manor Close, Willingdon, BN20 9LJ	Approve	Agreed

These were **NOTED**.

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<u>P24/57</u>	Planning Enforcement At the present time there are two ongoing planning enforcements at Eastbourne Road and Seven Sisters Road. The Planning Enforcement Team are currently dealing with these and will report back to the Clerk the findings.	<u>NW</u>
<u>P24/58</u>	WDC Draft Local Plan Following the publication of the WDC Draft Local Plan being made available, Members have been forming a response from the Parish Council to the Consultation questions. If Members have additional points they wish to make, they should let the Clerk know as soon as possible as the Parish Council response needs to be finalised and submitted by 10 th May 2024. Cllr J Pritchett BEM also reported when he spoke to the Planning Officers at the Consultation, they responded that they would like to receive positive as well as negative comments.	<u>NW</u>
<u>P24/59</u>	Urgent Items – for noting or referral to next agenda for Full Council or appropriate committee/sub-committee. There is a proposed access change to Planning Application WD/2021/0174/MEA. The Clerk will look into this.	<u>NW</u>
<u>P24/50</u>	Date of Next Meeting Monday 13 th May 2024 at 7.00 pm	

Meeting closed at 7.55pm.

Signed.....Chair

Date.....