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A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE TOOK PLACE AT 8.00PM IN THE HASKELL CENTRE, MIDHURST ROAD, LIPHOOK ON MONDAY 12 DECEMBER 2011.

MINUTES

PRESENT WERE:

Cllr D Jerrard (Chairman), Cllr M Croucher, Cllr Mrs B Easton, Cllr R Evans, Cllr Ms J Poole & Cllr P Robinson. Dr Evans (Parish Tree Warden) & Mrs G Spencer (Information Officer) also attended, together with one member of the press & five members of the public.

143/11 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman asked those present to switch off mobile phones, made them aware of the loop system & pointed out the fire exits.

He then explained that the Committee would discuss any applications/agenda items that members of the public had come to listen to first. For each application, the relevant committee member would explain the application, then the meeting would be adjourned to allow the public to comment on any material planning matters relating to that application & the meeting would then be reconvened for the Committee to agree their comments for submission to EHDC.

He advised members that a meeting would be held the following evening in the Peak Centre about the Lowsley Farm planning application. The purpose was for residents to elect a spokesperson/identify key points for objection to present at EHDC's Planning Committee meeting.

144/11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

145/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Croucher declared a personal interest in the application for tree work at 9 Willow Gardens (Minute 150/11), as the applicant was known to him.

146/11 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2011

These were confirmed & signed as being a true record of the meeting.

147/11 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were none.

148/11 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Public Questions (items not on the agenda).

Mr Trotter (North Cottage, Bohunt Manor) asked for an update re: the felling of the oak tree behind the Parish Office. Cllr Croucher advised that, due to the anticipated cost, the Parish Council needed to obtain three quotations. Cllr Mrs Hope was dealing with the matter & was negotiating with contractors to establish who would provide best value/be able to complete the work first.

Mr Young (3 The Avenue) asked whether the Planning Committee should be consulted about plans for the skate park. Cllr Croucher advised that the applicant should initially contact EHDC's Planning Dept, & that the Parish Council Planning Committee would comment on the application when it was registered.

Members'/Public Participation (Code of Conduct, Paragraph 12 (2)). None.

Public Participation. Permitted by the Chairman (see Minute 143/11).

149/11 PLANNING APPLICATIONS APPLICANT

149/11.1

**21925/014 Two-storey building for shop/office use together with Arthur Lord
/015 alteration & restoration of existing barn, following Organs Ltd
Cllr M Croucher demolition of single-storey shop - 3 London Rd, Liphook**

Cllr Croucher stated that this was a re-submission of an application that the Parish Council had considered in July this year. The earlier application had been refused as the site was in the Conservation Area, where fairly tight regulations were imposed. Three reasons for refusal were given: the architectural treatment of the London Rd frontage; overlooking from a first-floor window; & the proposed A2 class usage. Minor changes had been made to overcome these points, namely a slight change in design, obscure glazing & restriction of A2 use to just one shop. The Parish Council had originally been concerned about the lack of parking spaces & the two existing businesses on the site were also concerned about this. Cllr Croucher recommended supporting the application with the proviso, as before, that the bicycle shed should be removed to provide additional parking space.

Decision: No objections provided bicycle shed removed in order to provide additional on-site parking.

149/11.2

**22702/038 Extension of existing metal fire escape to first-floor Mr Butcher
/039 accommodation - Royal Anchor, The Square, Liphook
Cllr Ms J Poole**

Cllr Ms Poole explained that the application had resulted from a fire inspection as the fire officer had required a second escape route. This would be achieved by extending the existing fire escape, which would be accessed from an existing window & would involve strengthening the platform & the wall. It would be finished in the same manner as the current fire escape & would not be visible from the front of the building.

Decision: No objections.

149/11.3

26806/006 Retention & continued display of non-illuminated wall Plumbase Ltd
Cllr Mrs B Easton -mounted sign - 5 Station Rd, Liphook

Cllr Mrs Easton could see no reason to object as the sign was merely advertising the business, was not illuminated & was on the shop's own wall.

Decision: No objections.

149/11.4

27589/013 Re-locate customer entrance/exit door on front elevation The Southern
Cllr Ms J Poole - Co-operative Retail Services Ltd, 64 Headley Rd, Liphook Co-operative

Cllr Ms Poole reported that the applicant wanted to move the entrance to the central part of the shop front as this would facilitate a better entrance for customers, including disabled people, & allow them to make changes to the internal layout. The door would be the same colour/type of automatic sliding door as at present. Cllr Croucher agreed that this would be an improvement as the current door opened onto the area where customers were queuing for the tills & the ATM.

Decision: No objections.

149/11.5

30331/003 Single-storey garage extension to side & amended access Mr Sadler
Cllr P Robinson - 8 Greenfield Close, Liphook

Cllr Robinson reported that the application appeared to be a modification of an earlier application which the Parish Council had considered in July. The proposed garage was now slightly higher & wider, but the length remained the same. The changes would not compromise the boundary or affect any trees. The application included a new dropped kerb access & Hants CC had specified that the property should only have one access, so the existing access would need to have the curb replaced.

Decision: No objections provided existing access removed, so that there is only one access to the property.

150/11 **ADDITIONAL APPLICATION**

TREE APPLICATION

30758/003 Fell horse chestnut tree & prune 3 horse chestnut trees Mr Beynon
Dr M Evans - 9 Willow Gardens, Liphook

Dr Evans advised that the horse chestnuts formed a stand of trees along the side of the property. The canopies needed to be raised in order to give the required clearance over the footpath. The trees were in poor health, with evidence of canker & cracked bark. One of them was in dire health & dying, & the proposal was to fell it. There was no requirement for a replacement tree as there was not enough space.

Decision: No objections.

151/11 **RESULTS OF PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS (Appendix 1)**

These were noted.

152/11

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

Land to rear of 58 Headley Rd/south-east of Trudvang, Tower Close, Liphook (E.H. 889) - 25.11.2011

It was noted that this provisional TPO on a group of eight trees (four Lawson Cypress, two Sweet Chestnut, one Ash & one Coastal Redwood) on the south-east boundary of Trudvang replaced an earlier TPO (E.H. 887 - 20.10.2011), as the original TPO showed the trees in an incorrect location.

153/11

BOHUNT MANOR

The Chairman stated that there were two issues, firstly the widening of the footpath previously raised by Mr Trotter (see Minute 137/11), & secondly whether the Parish Council should hold a public meeting.

Cllr Evans advised that he had had no further response from EHDC following his complaint about the felling of trees/hedgerow, other than being advised that the owners were permitted to do whatever they wanted on their own land. He had also contacted SDNPA as he was concerned about large hollies being felled. Dr Evans (Parish Tree Warden) pointed out that hollies & laurel had no special status. Cllr Evans was concerned as he considered that notice should have been given to remove hedgerows, & advised that the site had a history of TPO'd trees being felled without permission around five years ago.

The meeting was adjourned to allow Mr Trotter (North Cottage, Bohunt Manor) to complain that the replacement for the TPO'd tree, which had been felled with permission, had still not been planted. Cllr Evans agreed to raise this with EHDC. Mr Trotter added that the land allocated for stage 1 allotments had been made into allotments with water laid on, & the stage 2 land had been made into an orchard. The meeting was then reconvened.

Cllr Croucher advised that approaches had been made to Parish Council allotment plot-holders & that the Bohunt Manor site was to be private allotments for parishioners. The owners had planning permission, so there was no requirement for them to involve the Parish Council.

Cllr Mrs Easton suggested that Cllr Ms Poole & Cllr Robinson should contact G L Hearn to ask about the plans for the allotments. This was agreed.

The Chairman stated that if the Parish Council were to hold a public meeting, background research would be required & the Parish Council would need to communicate with G L Hearn. Cllr Robinson considered that the Parish Council should be seen to be involved & should hold a meeting with parishioners, & then convey any concerns/benefits raised to G L Hearn. The Chairman advised that the public would want a response from G L Hearn. Cllr Croucher proposed holding a public meeting & inviting G L Hearn to make a presentation. The Parish Council could then produce notes of the meeting to form a Parish Council working document.

The Chairman proposed that the matter should be put on the agenda for the next full Parish Council meeting. This was agreed.

CONCLUSIONS

This concluded the business of the meeting & the meeting closed at 9.05pm.
Confirmed at the meeting held on 16 January 2012.

Signed
Presiding Chairman