

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON
25th MARCH 2009 AT 10.00a.m. AT HARTLEY LIBRARY, ASH ROAD**

Present: Cllr Mr L Abraham (Chairman)
Cllr Mr C Alford
Cllr Mrs P Cole
Cllr Mr J Minns
Cllr Mrs A Oxtoby

In attendance: Mrs H Gilder (Assistant Clerk)
3 members of the public

Before the start of the meeting, Members of the Committee inspected the application sites SE/09/00450/FUL, Turn Again House, Ash Road and 09/00508/WTPO, Monk Silver, Ash Road

1. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Mr J Gaywood and Cllr Mr B Ramsay.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Mrs Cole declared a personal interest in minute item 5, in respect of the proposed Vodaphone base station installation at Woodland Avenue, as her private residence is located in Woodland Avenue.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 18 th March 2009, be approved and signed as a correct record.
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4. Planning applications

Before the Committee considered the planning applications, members of the public were asked by the Chairman whether they wished to make representations about any of the applications to be considered by the Committee. If so, he would note their request and give them an opportunity to address the Committee at the appropriate time. One member of the public expressed a wish to make a representation and this was noted by the Chairman.

a) SE/09/00450/FUL, Turn Again House, Ash Road. Change of use from residential children's home into 2 residential dwellings including demolition of small link and rear outbuilding.

The Committee noted that no letters of representation had been received from members of the public.

At the Chairman's invitation, members of the public were invited to express their views on the application.

Mr Muncey spoke against the proposed addition of a second vehicular access.

RESOLVED: That,
no objection be raised to application SE/09/00450/FUL, Turn Again House, Ash Road, for change of use from residential children’s home into 2 residential dwellings including demolition of small link and rear outbuilding, provided that it complies with Green Belt policies.

b) 09/00508/WTPO, Monk Silver, Ash Road. Fell 1 Beech tree.

The Committee noted that no letters of representation had been received from members of the public.

RESOLVED: That,
an objection be raised to application 09/00508/WTPO, Monk Silver, Ash Road, for the felling of 1 Beech Tree, in view of its distance from the property.

5. Proposed Vodaphone Base Station Installation at Woodland Avenue, Hartley.

The Committee had been requested to consider a letter dated 16th March 2009, received from Tyco Electronics, seeking the Parish Council’s views on a proposed Vodaphone base station installation at Woodland Avenue.

RESOLVED: That,
the letter dated 16th March 2009, received from Tyco Electronics, seeking the Parish Council’s views on a proposed Vodaphone base station installation at Woodland Avenue, be noted.

6. Planning Decisions

RESOLVED: That, the following planning decision be received and noted.

Application no	Site	Description and SDC decision	HPC comment
SE/08/03245/CONVAR	Orchard House, Ash Road	To vary condition 11 (external lighting) of SE/08/01430/FUL to allow the development to be implemented prior to the submission of details for the external lighting. GRANTED (Delegated decision)	HPC objects to the application on the grounds that the site is located within the Green Belt and insufficient explanation has been given as to why a variation of the condition should be permitted.

7. Public Consultation on Air Quality Action Plan – 2009

The Committee had been requested to consider Sevenoaks District Councils draft Air Quality Action Plan.

The Committee noted that comments must be received by Friday 10th April 2009.

RESOLVED: That,
Sevenoaks District Council’s draft Air Quality Action Plan, be noted.

8. SE/09/00421/FUL, Woodlands, Ash Road. Extension to swimming pool building to form a gymnasium/exercise area.

The Committee had been requested to consider a letter dated 18th March 2009, received from Sevenoaks District Council, informing the Parish Council that the above application is no longer valid and therefore not currently under consideration.

RESOLVED: That, the letter dated 18th March 2009, received from Sevenoaks District Council relating to Woodlands, Ash Road, be noted.

9. SE/08/02930/FUL, Squirrels Haunt, Gorsewood Road. Single storey rear extension.

The Committee had been requested to consider a letter dated 17th March 2009, received from Sevenoaks District Council, informing the Parish Council that the above application has been treated as withdrawn and accordingly no further action will be taken on it.

RESOLVED: That, the letter dated 17th March 2009 received from Sevenoaks District Council, relating to Squirrels Haunt, be noted.

10. Planning Enforcements

Site: Mimosa, Ash Road

The Committee had been requested to note a letter dated 18th March 2009, received from Sevenoaks District Council, informing the Parish Council that a planning enforcement notice has been issued in respect of the above land.

The Committee noted that the alleged breach of planning control related to the storage of a mobile home at Mimosa, Ash Road.

RESOLVED: That, the letter dated 18th March 2009 received from Sevenoaks District Council, informing the Parish Council that a planning enforcement notice has been issued in respect of Mimosa, Ash Road, be noted.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 15th April 2009 commencing at 10.00 a.m. Site inspections will commence at 9.15 a.m. or earlier depending on the number of visits required.

The meeting closed at 10.20 a.m.

Signed:
Chairman

Date:

