



**Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Highways
and Environment Committee of**

Westgate-On Sea Town Council

on 24th April at 6.30pm

Held at

**Town Hall Buildings, 31 St Mildred's Road, Westgate-
On-Sea, Kent CT8 8RE**

Present	Cllr Morrish (Chairman); Cllr King, Cllr Cornford, Cllr Page, Cllr Rickett, Mr Geoff Orton,	
Also in attendance	Miss Julie Pilbeam (Town Clerk), 1 member of the public	
	To receive apologies for absence Apologies were received from Cllr Scott with reasons for absence. Co-opted member Ms Wheeler also sent apologies. It was RESOLVED that apologies be accepted.	
	Declarations of Interest There were none.	
	Minutes It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of 20 th March 2017 be signed and approved as a true record of the meeting.	
	Chairman's Announcements There were none	
	Public Participation Session There were no public questions.	
	Planning Decisions by Thanet District Council FH/TH/16/1748 102 St Mildreds Road, Erection of single storey extension – GRANTED PERMISSION FH/TH/16/1770 147 Sea Road Retrospective application for erection of decking to rear garden, together with erection of a close boarded fence on top of the existing dwarf wall to achieve a minimum overall height of 1.8m when measured from the decking floor level – GRANTED PERMISSION	
	Planning Applications for consultation F/TH/17/0403 St Peters Presbytery, 117 Canterbury Road, Westgate-on-Sea Remove existing 16.5m flagpole antenna, install a 17.0m Alpha 8, install a 1no SAMI cabinet (600W x 550D x 1975H) and associated development thereto.	

It was **RESOLVED** to **note comments that the Council support the issues raised by the nearby vulnerable elderly residents regarding the noise levels emitted from the site.**

F /TH/17/0358 Springfield Nursing Home, Hengist Road, Westgate-on-Sea Change of use of building from nursing home to 3No. flats with erection of first floor and two storey extensions following demolition of existing together with the erection of a terrace of 5No 3 bedroom mews houses with associated parking and landscaping.

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT on the grounds of overdevelopment of the site, loss of character, highways issues, inappropriate development in green wedge and that this will set a dangerous precedent for the future.**

F/TH/17/0400 46 St Mildreds Road, Westgate-on-Sea Change of use of upper floors from residential to 4no. self contained flats with erection of additional storey to front of building and the erection of a part two storey, part three storey rear extension with terraces following the part demolition of the existing rear extension together with the erection of a two storey dwelling to the rear following demolition of the existing garage.

It was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT on the grounds of overdevelopment of the site, the detrimental impact to the street scene with the designs not in keeping with the heritage and the loss of parking by converting the garage..**

F/TH/17/0457 Flat 3, Adrian Square, Westgate-on-Sea Erection of forth floor extension.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment

FH/TH/16/0549 7 Carlton Rise, Westgate-on-Sea Variation of condition 4 planning permission for the erection of first floor extension and erection of 2 no. dormer windows to side elevations, installation of balcony to front elevation and alterations to roof to allow the change of colour to roof tiles.

	It was RESOLVED to make no comment	
	<p>Progress and Information The following items were noted:</p> <p>Parking Review The Clerk is working on a draft plan for the Joint Transportation Board project and this will be submitted to the committee in due course.</p> <p>St Mildred's Road The Clerk is due to write to all the retailers reminding them of parking restrictions in the town.</p> <p>Beach Showers There has been no further update from Thanet District Council on the re-siting of showers to West Bay.</p> <p>Toilets Thanet District Council have suggested that public toilets can be taken over by parish and town councils. The committee agreed for the Clerk to investigate</p> <p>Beach Shelters The owner of the café has agreed to pay for the materials to renovate the shelters. The Clerk is awaiting confirmation to proceed from Thanet District Council and it is hoped that the shelters will be refurbished in time for the summer season.</p> <p>West Bay ice cream kiosk There is still no further update on the re-siting of the ice cream kiosk</p> <p>Westgate-on-Sea station Telephone boxes The Clerk is investigating the options for the telephone boxes, including the possibility of a red telephone box.</p> <p>Untidy appearance The Clerk is awaiting contact from the station manager regarding complaints received regarding the untidy appearance of the grass land adjacent to the station.</p> <p>Provision and Siting of new Litter Bins Thanet District Council have agreed to provide bins in locations subject to the Town Council's operatives emptying the bins. A map will follow of the suggested locations and emptying schedules.</p>	Clerk

	<p>Assets in Westgate-on-Sea The Clerk is still awaiting confirmation of which assets Thanet District Council are willing to transfer to the Town Council.</p> <p>Defibrillator The Clerk is working on installation and promoting defibs in and around the town.</p> <p>Community Warden Scheme The council approved the joining of the Kent County Council Voluntary Warden Scheme and recruitment has begun, a candidate for Westgate has not yet been found.</p> <p>Saxon Road Thanet District Council officers are investigating the nuisance parking.</p> <p>Flats above shops in St Mildreds Road Thanet District Council have agreed to investigate a waste collection survey with the residents in the flats to see what can be provided to assist the removal of rubbish.</p> <p>Tree Care by Kent County Council (KCC) Following the question at the last full council meeting it is confirmed that KCC operate a maintenance plan for the first three years after planting with 10 waters per year and regular inspections.</p> <p>Dog Fouling issues Following the question at March's full council meeting the Clerk can confirm that the Town Council has powers to issue fixed penalty notices for breaching Dog Control Orders that it puts in place.</p> <p>It was agreed for the Clerk to write to Thanet District Council and request details on what visits 'Kingdom' have made to Westgate and what they outcomes have been.</p>	Clerk
	<p>Thanet District Council Local Plan There were no further updates.</p>	
	<p>Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group It was reported that the group were working on a survey to gather residents views and that this would be discussed at the forthcoming meeting of the group.</p>	
	<p>Correspondence received – all noted (a) Thanet Offshore Wind Farm Project – Public info days feedback</p>	

	(b) Manston Airport Land Referencing Process	
	Questions from Councillors There were none.	
	Next Meeting The next meeting is Monday 22 nd May 2017	
	Meeting Closed at 7.30pm	

Signed.....

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