

**UNADOPTED
POLEGATE TOWN COUNCIL**



PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2012 at 7.30pm Council Chambers 49 High Street Polegate

Present: M Clewett (Chair) **MCI**, J Harmer **JH**, T Voyce (ex officio) **TV**, Mrs M piper (ex officio) **MP**, Mrs C Berry **CB**, E Board **EB**, (6)

Not present: Cllr G Carter **GC**, M Pybus **MPy**, Mrs J Voyce **JV**, R Martin **RM** (4)

Clerk J Ognjanovic **JO**

No members of the public

Minute No.	Subject/Resolution	Action
10225	Apologies for absence Cllrs G Carter (ill health), R Martin (ill health), Mrs J Voyce (personal)	
10226	Declarations of Interest in any items on the agenda None	
10227	Minutes of the planning committee meeting held on 1st May 2012 It was resolved that the minutes be accepted and signed by the chair as accurate. VOTE All in favour	
10228	Opportunity for Public comment None	
10229	Planning Applications WD/2012/0922/F Land North of Dittons Road, Polegate BN26 6HT Amendment of plot 76 and substitution of plots 77 & 78 on approval WD/2010/2353/MEA. Plot 76 position relocated, plot 77 house type 10A (3 bed) substituted with house type "Norbury" (4 bed) and plot 78 house type 9a (4 bed) substituted with house type "Hamilton" (3 bed), and associated attached/integral garages. No Objections VOTE All in favour WD/2012/0817/F 29 Willow Drive, Polegate, BN26 5DN Erect conservatory at rear Amended plan showing an element of glazing to the side (south-west) elevation (all glazing on this elevation to be obscure glass) Drawing No. 1a date stamped 3 May 2012. No Objections VOTE All in favour	
10230	Details of Planning Decisions The clerk read out the following decisions: WD/2012/0217/F D28 Oakleaf Drive, Polegate BN26 6PY Dormer to front. Widen the garage to the boundary Approved by Wealden District Council on 30 th April 2012.	

	WD/2012/0524/F 29 Glynleigh Drive, Polegate BN26 6LU Single Storey rear Extension Approved by Wealden District Council on 20th April 2012. WD/2012/0444/LDE Three Oaks, Hailsham Road, Polegate BN26 6RF Siting of caravan for use as dwelling Approved by Wealden District Council on 30th April 2012. WD/2012/0514/F 39 Victoria Road, Polegate BN26 6DA Single Storey rear extension to provide additional bedrooms and enlarged kitchen. Approved by Wealden District Council on 30th April 2012. WD/2012/0456/F 64 Greenleaf Gardens, Polegate BN26 6PQ First Floor side extension Approved by Wealden District Council on 24th April 2012. WD/2012/0680/F Land adjacent to Ditfoord, Dittons Road, Polegate BN26 6HS Development of 5 No. detached 3 and 4 bedroom houses on land at Ditfoord (as approved under full planning permission WD/2010/2686/O) Approved by Wealden District Council on 10th May 2012. WD/2012/0116/F Dormers, Wannock Road, Polegate BN26 5JG Erection of timber garage. Approved by Wealden District Council on 4th May 2012. WD/2012/0632/F 14 Porters Way, Polegate BN26 6AP To construct a single storey extension to the ground floor to provide bedroom and bathroom facilities for a wheelchair user. Widen the front driveway. Approved by Wealden District Council on 4th May 2012. WD/2012/0544/FR 90 Hailsham Road, Polegate BN26 6NP Retrospective application for amendments to parking from approved under WD/2008/1678/F. Approved by Wealden District Council on 10th May 2012.	
10231	Planning Updates/General Information – for information only The clerk reminded those present that they had been delegated by Full Council to formulate a reply to the Inspector for the Core strategy Public examination regarding the affect of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) on the soundness of the Core Strategy. The committee made the following comments: The NPPF was considered so vague that it would allow most developments to go ahead despite the regulations of both the Core strategy and the National Parks policies. The accepted that the smaller applications such as solar panels & dropped kerb would be allowed under permitted development rules. It appeared to the committee that the District Council were already unable to enforce many applications due to financial constraints.	

	The committee commented that the district council was raising revenue by charging for permitted development applications. The committee felt that the whole planning system particularly with the new Planning Policy framework was becoming unmanageable. The latest changes were difficult to keep up with, as soon as one policy document comes out it is superseded by the next one. Further comments were made on the NPPF that it didn't allow planning decisions to be particularly effective. The clerk was asked to draft a reply reflecting these comments with regards to the core strategy soundness.	JO
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The meeting closed at 7.52 pm