

EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE – Wednesday 6th January 2021 at 7pm (via Zoom)

Committee: Cllr F Visser (Chairman)
Cllr S Ody (Vice Chairman)
Cllr J Dabell (Town Mayor)
Cllr A Peacock (Deputy Town Mayor)*
Councillors: J Belsey, Mrs M Belsey, Duly*, Mrs Mockford*, Osborne,
Scott and Woodgate

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Others present: Town Clerk

229 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There being no public present the Chairman moved on to the substantive agenda

230 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies were accepted from:

Cllr Mrs Mockford	At Work
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Apologies were noted from:

Cllr Peacock	
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231 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 7th December having been previously circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman (to be signed at a later date).

232 **DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL & PREJUDICIAL INTEREST FROM MEMBERS**

Cllr Dabell declared as a District Councillor who sits on the District planning committee that he has a personal interest in all plans but also reserve the right to amend comments following today's meeting, on the receipt of further information, reports or representations from the professional officers or members of the public.

Cllr Osborne declared for 20/4098 as the development backs on to his own property. He left the meeting for that item, not taking part in the discussion nor vote.

233 CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- An update on the Homebase store application, despite representations from ward Cllrs at town and district level, to ask that the decision be brought to MSDC committee, this has been rejected by the cabinet member and therefore an officer delegated decision will be made. Requests for conditions to be included regarding the highway implications have also been refused as WSCC Highways have no concerns.
- We have referred the plot next to KFC/ Specsavers back to MSDC following reports of broken hoardings and the state of the site. MSDC can enforce on the tidying up of the site.
- We have referred the hole in the high st pavement to MSDC (as a conservation area) but there is nothing they can do, its highways to push with the water board.
- The EG Society have taken to heart the comments from the committee regarding the wording of the Michael Leppard Plaque and are rewording it to tie it in to a High St placement.

234 DM/20/4084 (A NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT)

It was noted that this had not been referred to the Council for consideration and was refused by Mid Sussex District Council.

235 2021/22 BUDGET

RESOLVED: - to recommend to Finance and General Purposes that cost centre 500 be approved as set out in the draft budget.

236 MID SUSSEX PLANNING APPLICATIONS (including protected trees)

RESOLVED: That Mid Sussex District Council be informed that the observations of the Town Council, on the applications set out in the appendix to these Minutes, are as indicated in column 4 thereof.

The Chairman advised that he had no other business and ended the meeting at 8.23PM.

SIGNED

CHAIRMAN

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Plan No. (1)	Location & Applicant (2)	Proposal (3)	Town Council's Observations (4)	M.S.D.C. Decisions
DM/20/1333/FUL Ashplats	Land At Junction Of Blackwell Farm Road And Holtye Road East Grinstead West Sussex Mr M Gray	Construction of 10 affordable dwellings (6 x 3 bed houses and 4 x 2 bed houses) with associated car parking, landscaping and creation of new access onto Blackwell Farm Road (Updated Road Safety Audit received on 6 July; Amended site and location plans received on 7 July incorporating footpath link and amended boundary treatments; and Flood Risk Assessment and Drainage Strategy received on 24 July) (Amended access plan received on 3 December 2020)	Committee continue to recommend refusal until the traffic studies can be completed in normal conditions. Studies during lockdown are not representative of the busy traffic volumes. There is no new data sufficient to allow the committee to alter their previous position. It is noted that the MSDC survey of residents is not due to be closed until the end of the month and urges the Council not to make the decision on the application until all responses have been considered. The committee continue to prefer this site not be developed but be left as a green lung.	
DM/20/3968/TREE Town	Weavers Cricket Court East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3DN H Pearson	T1 - Removal of dead branches. T2 - Removal of dead lower branches. Cut lower branches (footpath side) 1.5m. T3 - Removal of dead branches in lower and higher canopy. Shorten lower lateral branches (house side) 1.5m. T4 - Remove dead lower branches overhanging public footpath. Thin canopy on houseside by 15% and cut back by 1.5 metres to balance previous works. Remove any dead branches higher in the canopy.	Would support Approval subject to no adverse report from the MSDC Tree Officer.	

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DM/20/4098/VOC Imberhorne	Land Adjacent To Brookhurst Furze Lane East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 2BQ Reside Developments Ltd	Variation of condition 2 to update the approved plans of application DM/19/5211 in respect of a 5m maintenance strip to the north of the dwellings and to relocated some of the visitor parking spaces. REVISED PLANS received 10/12/2020 shortening the length of the grasscrete strip and providing specification details of the surfacing.	While the committee understood the views of the neighbours, they could not find any planning reason to object to the lane which they believe will be necessary to allow the maintenance vehicles access to the rear trees.	
DM/20/4137/FUL Ashplats	17 Greenhurst Drive East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3NE Mr A Squires	Alteration of existing boundary fence position to extend the residential curtilage.	Committee refer back to the decision of 7 th December - Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4167/VOC Baldwins	Lingfield Lodge London Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1ER Eldon Housing Assoc	Variation to condition 8 of planning application DM/17/1521 to allow for the replacement of approved roof plan elevations with revised drawings, indicating a change in the dormers to the north west wing (dormers to be reduced from 5 to 3). Plans to be replaced - 15030 PA 202 B, 15030 PA 201 F, 15030 PA 200 F and 15030 PC 104. Proposed drawings - 15030 PC 206 P3, 15030 PC 207 P3 and JR004996 MDR RL DR A 20 004	Would support approval	
DM/20/4198/FUL Town	97 London Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1EQ H Marcou	Single storey rear extension for use as a store room.	Would Support Approval	

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DM/20/4231/HOU Ashplats	28 Copse Close East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3EF Mr R Smith	Three storey side extension and single storey rear extension. Loft conversion with rear dormer to create second floor. Demolition of existing attached garage and lean-to structures. Replacement detached garage to rear, with access from the rear of the property. Amended plans received 17.12.2020 to add hipped roofline on side extension, revised window details, altered ground floor room layout, reduced rear extension and amended dormer design.	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4295/HOU Imberhorne	Mill House The Feld East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 2QL Mr & Mrs Marmara	Replacement of existing conservatory with new playroom	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4306/TREE Imberhorne	The Spinney, Chapmans Lane, East Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 1JA Mr J Corrie	Chestnut Tree (t1) – Fell to ground level	As per decision of 7 th December	
DM/20/4330/HOU Herontye	West House West Lane East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4HH Mr M Mason	Proposed porch extension, joinery and internal alterations.	Would Support Approval	

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DM/20/4331/HOU Town	Felden West Hill East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4EP Mr & Mrs Gibbs	Conversion of existing single storey garage into habitable accommodation, with front and rear extension. New pitched roof.	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4334/LDC Ashplats	28 Elm Drive East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3UH Mr & Mrs Roberts	Loft conversion and porch to front. This is an application to establish whether the development is lawful. This will be a legal decision where the planning merits of the proposed use cannot be taken into account.	Noted as a lawful decision	
DM/20/4346/HOU Worsted	24 Farm Close East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3QG Mrs A Hannan	Demolition of existing conservatory. Proposed single storey side extension and second storey rear extension.	Would Support Approval If the dressing room window is opaque.	
DM/20/4347/FUL Town	20 West Hill East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4EP Mr T Nicholson	Single storey rear extension to provide staff facilities and meeting room.	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4420/TREE Town	Bullfrog Music 15 - 17 Ship Street East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4EG Mr T Newman-Bownes	T1 (Field Maple): Reduce 5 main stems by 4 meters at top and 3 meters around the sides T2 (Pine): Reduce crown by 4 meters at the top	Would Support Approval subject to no adverse report from the MSDC tree officer	
DM/20/4427/HOU Imberhorne	27 Fairlawn Drive East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1NR Mr & Mrs Smith	Demolition of existing attached single garage and construction of a two storey side extension and single storey rear extension.	Would Support Approval	

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DM/20/4440/HOU Herontye	7 Southlands East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4BN Mr & Mrs J Foyle	Proposed single storey rear extension	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4441/HOU Herontye	Hutton House Harwoods Lane East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4NJ Mr & Mrs Christopherson	Single storey rear extension	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4456/HOU Imberhorne	Parkmore Pine Grove East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 2BB Mr J Thomas	First floor extension to side and front of house	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4490/FUL Town	Land In Front Of 23 London Road East Grinstead West Sussex EGTC	Erection of sign monolith.	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment.	
DM/20/4491/FUL Town	Land In Front Of 81 High Street East Grinstead West Sussex EGTC	Erection of sign monolith.	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment	
DM/20/4492/FUL Town	Land In Front Of 115 London Road East Grinstead West Sussex EGTC	Erection of sign monolith.	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment	

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DM/20/4493/FUL Town	Entrance To Forest Way Lewes Road East Grinstead West Sussex EGTC	Erection of sign monolith.	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment	
DM/20/4494/FUL Town	Forecourt Of East Grinstead Railway Station Railway Approach East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1EB EGTC	Erection of sign monolith.	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment	
DM/20/4495/ADV Town	Land In Front Of 23 London Road East Grinstead West Sussex EGTC	Consent to display 1 x non-illuminated monolith sign as way finding marker and historical trail	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment	
DM/20/4496/ADV Town	Land In Front Of 81 High Street East Grinstead West Sussex EGTC	Consent to display 1 x non-illuminated monolith sign as way finding marker and historical trail	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment	
DM/20/4500/ADV Town	Land In Front Of 115 London Road East Grinstead West Sussex EGTC	Consent to display 1 x non-illuminated monolith sign as way finding marker and historical trail	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment	

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DM/20/4502/HOU Worsted	Rustlewood Lewes Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3UE Mr & Mrs M Nebot	Proposed 2 storey extension to side elevation. Proposed 2/3 storey extension to side/rear elevation and patio area to the rear.	The Committee have no objection to the application however do feel that the property will look unbalanced and would benefit from better design under DP26 and EG3	
DM/20/4503/ADV Town	Entrance To Forest Way Lewes Road East Grinstead West Sussex EGTC	Consent to display 1 x non-illuminated monolith sign as way finding marker and historical trail	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment	
DM/20/4505/ADV Town	Forecourt Of East Grinstead Railway Station Railway Approach East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1EB EGTC	Consent to display 1 x non-illuminated monolith sign as way finding marker and historical trail	East Grinstead Town Council is the applicant therefore the committee have declined to comment	
DM/20/4530/HOU Town	9 Lucas Close East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3YG Mr R Barnes	Proposed ground floor side extension, garage conversion, floor plan redesign and all associated works	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4542/HOU Herontye	12 Coronation Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4AL Mr & Mrs P Smith	Retrospective application for a single storey side extension	Would Support Approval	

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DM/20/4554/HOU Imberhorne	81 Milton Crescent East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1TQ N Kingston	Demolition of existing detached garage and conservatory with single storey rear and side extension.	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4565/HOU Ashplats	Nyambadwe 63 Hackenden Lane East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3DT Mr M C Hunt	Retrospective permission sought for a patio.	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4588/FUL Imberhorne	59 Heathcote Drive East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1NB Mr M Patel	Change of shop front with repositioned windows and door. New rolling shutter.	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4595/HOU Imberhorne	54 Crossways Avenue East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1HZ Mr & Mrs Mills	Double and single storey side extensions, replace existing rear flat roof with pitched roof, erection of a rear glazed covered area and internal alterations.	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4629/HOU Imberhorne	22 Crossways Avenue East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1HZ Miss Valles & Mr Collins	Demolition of existing detached garage. Two storey side and front extension and single storey rear extension. Conversion of loft space with rear facing dormer to create second floor. New front porch	Would Support Approval	

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Plan No. (1)	Location & Applicant (2)	Proposal (3)	Town Council's Observations (4)	M.S.D.C. Decisions
DM/20/4632/HOU Imberhorne	Gatsby House 19 Meadowcroft Close East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1NA Ms Hook	Two storey rear extension and a dormer over the existing garage.	Recommend Refusal: the plans are not clear as to what is proposed and need to be reloaded to the portal with the correct labelling and we would suggest extending the period by readvertising to allow comments to be made.	
DM/20/4656/HOU Ashplats	67 Fulmar Drive East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3NN Mr M Burgess	First floor extension and alterations to existing conservatory roof.	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4664/HOU Baldwins	46 Buckhurst Way East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 2AJ Mr & Mrs Downs	Single storey rear extension.	Would Support Approval	
DM/20/4669/HOU Town	Esquina Cranston Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 3HL Mrs N Summers	To make front garden a driveway and a dropped kerb	Recommend Refusal: the proximity of the fast bend makes the pulling out from this property dangerous. The Committee are sympathetic to the wish to take cars off the road but have great concerns as to the speed of the road and traffic approaching from around the bend.	