

# MINUTES

**Committee:** Planning Committee  
**Date:** Monday, 21 September 2020  
**Time:** 6:30pm  
**Venue:** Younghayes Centre, 169 Younghayes Road EX5 7DR

## Present

Cllr Les Bayliss (Chair)  
Cllr Kevin Blakey  
Cllr Phil Norgate  
Cllr Barry Rogers

## Also Present

Cllr Kim Bloxham  
Cllr Ray Bloxham  
One member of the public  
Tracy Simmons, Deputy Clerk, Cranbrook Town Council

## P/20/33 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Colin Buchan and Cllr Matt Osborn.

## P/20/34 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Kim Bloxham declared a personal interest as a member of EDDC planning committee and reserved the right to revise any comments when all the information is known.

## P/20/35 MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Barry Rogers, seconded by Cllr Phil Norgate and **resolved** to accept and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 3 August 2020 as a correct record.

## P/20/36 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments made by the member of public in attendance.

## P/20/37 PLANNING APPLICATION 20/1852/FUL

The Committee considered Application 20/1852/FUL for the erection of a sales centre located at Cranbrook Phase 1, sales centre to be in use for 4 years.

The Committee commented that the existing application had lapsed and clarified that this was an application for the sales centre to remain for a further 4 years.

It was discussed that if the sales centre remained where it was and the development of the final 12 houses was not completed, it would prevent the adoption of the last stretch of MLR from Three Corner Field to the roundabout. The Committee noted that there were no time scales for when the last homes would be built. Moreover, the final surfacing of the road would not be finished until the development of

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housing was completed which would have an impact on the local residents including raised iron works, dust and dirt on the road as well as the disruption of building works.

The Committee stated that there were no objections to a sales office, however it would be better placed closer to the development sites. The Committee commented it would be more 'neighbourly' to complete the last few homes on the site sooner rather than later.

It was proposed by Cllr Les Bayliss seconded by Cllr Kevin Blakey, and **resolved** to support to Planning Application 20/1852/FUL with note to the concerns above.

**P/20/38 PLANNING APPLICATION 20/1881/FUL**

The Committee considered Planning Application 20/1881/FUL for a proposed new side extension to replace a wooden summer house in St Michaels way.

The Committee noted that the plans submitted were unobtrusive from the street and the proposal appeared to be of good quality.

It was proposed by Cllr Barry Rogers, seconded by Cllr Les Baylis and **resolved** to support Planning Application 20/1881/FUL

**P/20/39 PLANNING APPLICATION 20/1663/VAR**

The Committee considered Planning Application 20/1663/VAR for the removal of condition 16 of 16/1826/MFUL (decentralised energy network connection) to remove the requirement for a connection to the Cranbrook district heating network.

The Committee had been notified of a parallel appeal on the same issue but had not had time to consider this in detail.

It was proposed by Cllr Les Baylis, seconded by Cllr Kevin Blakey and **resolved** to defer the decision on Planning Application 20/1663/VAR until all of the information relating to this site was available.

**P/20/40 PLANNING APPLICATION 20/1947/TRE**

The Committee considered Planning Application 20/1947/TRE for the target prune of a T4-Oak from the highway to reduce the lower canopy. Pruning will remove 2 x broken and damaged branches to facilitate access requirements for the site. Work required to alleviate conflict between trees and vehicles.

It was proposed by Cllr Kevin Blakey, seconded by Cllr Barry Rogers and **resolved** to support Planning Application 20/1947/TRE

**The meeting closed at 6.58pm.**

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