

**Minutes of Sandwich Town Council Planning Committee Meeting
held in the Council Chamber on:
Wednesday 19th April 2023**



Chair: Cllr C Wiles
 Councillors: P Carter, J Franklin, M Moorhouse and M Pennington
 Co-optee
 Members: Mr J Hennessy, Mrs J Summerhayes and Nikky Warden (Voluntary Tree Warden)
 Observer: Dover District Councillor – Cllr Friend and 1 resident
 Officer: Gill Gray – Interim Town Clerk

P.04.23.1	Chair’s opening remarks: Welcomed attendees and Interim Town Clerk.	
P.04.23.2	Apologies for absence received: Apologies were received from: Cllr Graeme due to vacation, Nikky Warden due to personal reasons, Cllr Heaven due to work commitment. Cllr Marie was absent.	
P.04.23.3	Declarations of interest: There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda.	
P.04.23.4	Minutes of the Planning Committee: It was moved by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Moorhouse and RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Planning Committee held on Wednesday 15th March 2023 were noted. There were no matters arising from the minutes.	
P.04.23.5	Public Participation: There were no requests to speak received.	
P.04.23.6	Planning Applications: Application plans and papers can be viewed via the Dover District Council website. a) Ref: 23/00365 Location: Sir Roger Manwoods School, Manwood Road, Sandwich, CT13 9JX Proposal: Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) to vary sports pitch design of planning permission 21/01314 (Section 73) Construction of a sports pitch, erection of a two-storey pavilion, new vehicle access, additional 20no. car parking spaces, fencing, lighting, drainage and ancillary works It was moved by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Moorhouse and RESOLVED: that the Town Council comments: RECOMMENDATION: Strongly support this planning application. b) Ref: 23/00388	

Location: Sir Roger Manwoods School, Manwood Road, Sandwich, CT13 9JX
Proposal: The creation of a footpath alongside school playing fields

It was moved by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Pennington and RESOLVED: that the Town Council comments:

RECOMMENDATION: Support this planning application and added that tree reports should be taken into consideration.

c) Ref: 23/00449

Location: The Market Place Surgery, Cattle Market, Sandwich, CT13 9ET

Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 (operational times) to allow amendments of planning permission DOV/17/01427 (application under Section 73) for the installation of a heat recovery unit with acoustic enclosure to rear elevation (amended plans)

It was moved by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Moorhouse and RESOLVED: that the Town Council comments:

RECOMMENDATION: Strongly support this planning application

d) Applications for comment as a third party as not formal consultees

Ref: 22/01158 and 22/00245

Location: Betteshanger Country Park, Sandwich Road, Sholden

Proposal: Erection of a surfing lagoon and pools, hub building (to include café/restaurant/bar lounge, shop, hiring and changing facilities and multi-use space), 15 overnight holiday pods, learning hive, yoga studio, fitness/health and wellbeing facilities, bike/pumptrack and associated roads, paths, car and cycle parking, together with landscaping and necessary access works and associated site infrastructure. (Re-consultation: additional/revised information including: re-positioned holiday lodge; revised parking arrangement; updated ecological appraisal; updated flood risk assessment & drainage strategy; habitat regulations assessment information; transport response; and visitor management and turtle dove strategy.)

Erection of a 120-bed hotel (C1) building with associated spa facilities, gym, restaurant/bar, access, landscaping and parking. (Re-consultation: additional/revised information including: revised parking arrangement; updated ecological appraisal; updated flood risk assessment & drainage strategy; habitat regulations assessment information; transport response; and visitor management and turtle dove strategy.) (amended scheme)

The planning application reference 22/00245 relates to a scoping opinion for a proposed solar farm which has been

	<p>decided and was therefore not debated at this meeting. The Town Council will seek to discuss any future planning application that may be submitted for this site in the future.</p> <p>It was moved by Cllr Wiles and seconded by Cllr Carter and RESOLVED: that the Town Council comments: No comment in relation to 22/01158.</p> <p>It was moved by Cllr Moorhouse and seconded by Cllr Carter and RESOLVED: that the Town Council contacts the residents who attended the STC meeting on 27th March 2023 and spoke about the proposal for the Betteshanger Country Park.</p>	
P.04.23.7	<p>Planning Decisions: The most recent new Planning Decisions taken by Dover District Council were received and noted.</p> <p>It was moved by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Moorhouse and RESOLVED: that the planning decisions were received and noted.</p>	
P.04.23.8	<p>Street Furniture Applications: To receive and consider any applications made to DDC in relation to a Street Furniture Consent Application under the Local Government (miscellaneous provisions) Act 1982.</p> <p>LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982</p> <p>STREET FURNITURE CONSENT</p> <p>DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL in pursuance of the provisions of the Highways Act 1980, Section 115</p> <p>HEREBY GIVES NOTICE THAT AN APPLICATION TO PLACE TABLES & CHAIRS ON THE HIGHWAY AT THE LOCATION DETAILED BELOW HAS BEEN RECEIVED.</p> <p>Furniture: 3 tables and 6 chairs Timings: 09:00 to 23:00 Monday to Sunday Location: Toll Bridge, 7 Fishermans Wharf, Sandwich, CT13 9RU</p> <p>It was moved by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Moorhouse and RESOLVED: that the Town Council comments: The street furniture application be supported with the caveat that the two person per table rule is observed and enforced to keep the walkway clear for pedestrians.</p>	
P.04.23.9	<p>Licensing: To consider any licensing notices and issues received from Dover District Council. No new applications have been received.</p>	
P.04.23.10	<p>Enforcement: To consider any enforcement notices and issues received from Dover District Council. Members considered the marina that has been installed at the old port of Richborough; a piece of correspondence was received from Cllr Gray.</p>	
P.04.23.11	<p>Correspondence: To receive and consider correspondence relating to planning matters, including notification of appeals against refusal of Planning Applications. A written report was received from Cllr Gray which Cllr Wiles read at the meeting, the report related to the new marina at Richborough</p>	

	<p>Quay and advised that the company establishing the pontoon berths are in contact with Dover District Council planning department. Cllr Gray added that the company will also be approaching Marine Management Organisation to seek advice on licensing, and they have secured all necessary permissions form the Sandwich Port and Haven Commission. The report was noted.</p>	
P.04.23.12	<p>Verbal update from our Dover District Councillor on matters relating to planning.</p> <p>Cllr Friend reported on a couple of enforcement issues, the access to the former Kumor Nursery, Dover Road, Sandwich and reported that a walnut tree on the same site has now had a TPO successfully added to protect the tree.</p> <p>Cllr Friend added that a further application has now been received in relation to the Wayfarers site which seeks to upgrade the internal areas providing assisted living accommodation.</p>	
P.04.23.13	<p>Meeting closed at 19.10 hours.</p> <p>Date of next Planning Committee Meeting: TBC</p>	