



TDRA MINUTES

On 28th July 2016, 7.30pm at Tenterden Day Centre

1. Present

A Bates (Chairman), K. Grant, S. Nepp, H. Burnside, M. Lyons, W. Chantler, M. Winiberg, N. Webb.

2. Apologies

There were no apologies.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

4. Matters Arising

None.

5. Correspondence

None

6. Committee Reports

Planning

Cranbrook Road – site near Chapman’s Scrapyard – seeking prior approval for accommodation in a barn, and for two houses on the site. Concerns were raised about this and S. Nepp to investigate.

SN1

Danemore – approved.

Breton Court – though we have concerns about parking (extra 24 rooms and no extra provision for parking), we agreed not to comment.

Westwell Court – new application, but the same problem and therefore the same objection.

Three houses on Sixfields Path – application for three chalet bungalows. Agreed not to object as these could have easily been included in the TENT1 plans had they been drawn up differently.

Threefields Ponds – Taylor Wimpey had been planning to fill a large pond in, but concerns were raised and negotiations held with ABC and the Site Foreman. They have agreed however to preserve the pond and divert cables and drainage around it. It was also noted that a tree was due to have cables laid perilously close to its roots, this has also been saved. This has raised the issue that we need to be vigilant as there is no monitoring by ABC until the quality control of the development is being looked at. Tony Russell is keeping a watchful eye because he overlooks the site, so this will be essential for future monitoring. It is also helpful that A. Bates found the Site Manager co-operative and is in communication with Katy Magnall, who is the responsible Planning Officer.

Hales Place – application for six exclusive houses. The Committee were concerned that if these were allowed then it would set a precedent for the rest of this large site. It was noted that it is a Grade 1 listed building, and S. Nepp will investigate whether or not there are special requirements because of its status. The initial view is that the designs of these houses are not sympathetic with the original building but in any event this application will need listed building consent. There was concern that this might be hard to resist because of a requirement for some exclusive houses within the draft Local Plan. In any event it was agreed we would object.

Woodbury Dental Practice – application for extension to rear of premises. There is concern over proximity to neighbours. S. Nepp to investigate. **SN2**

Treasurers Report

Still waiting for the bill for printing the Resident.

About 500 out of 600 households have paid their subscriptions.

7. Local Plan

Members have attended the Leisure Centre presentation but it was not very informative as it only illustrated what was already on the website. It was an overview. TENT1 Phase B was included. Land between Acacia House and London Beach was included for exclusive housing. It was also noted that Tilden Gill was not included as it was a hostile application. This is detrimental as the number of houses will not be set against TENT1 Phase B.

Travellers Sites – provision for two extra pitches at Priory Wood, Biddenden on existing site.

Windfall Sites – an opportunity here for communities to define their boundaries by way of Neighbourhood Plans defining their Village Envelope. It was noted that there was no movement from the Town Council on this issue, A. Bates to speak to Justin Nelson. He will also invite the liaison officer from the Town Council (Mike Carter) to our September meeting so that we can raise the issue with him. It was also agreed that we should push this issue harder by attending the Council Planning Meeting en masse. The first step would be to write to the Committee asking what their plans are for the Plan – S. Nepp to write to the Planning Committee Chairman. We would then ask to be allowed to give a brief presentation at the Committee Meeting, which would allow us five minutes, aiming for the September meeting. This would be in the presence of the Press and there is also live Twitter feed. **SN3**

Proposal for expansion of Pick Hill – noted.

8. Any Other Business

Newsletter – aim to have it circulated three weeks before the Coffee Morning, which is on the 15th October. Subjects to be included are:

- Planning with progress on TENT1 and reference to saving the tree and pond
- Surgery at East Cross
- Cinema
- Trees – W. Chantler

Coffee Morning – White Lion booked for the 15th October between 9 and 1pm, with coffee between 10 and 12pm.

Website – it was agreed that we will move all email business to Tim for £15 per month. That would bring all our IT needs under one roof.

Tree planting – W. Chantler said that we need to start thinking about future sites, and this would be something that could be raised in the Newsletter. He will seek to get joint funding from KCC. We would aim to plant four trees each time. **WC4**

9. Date of Next Meeting

29th September, 2016, 7.30pm at Tenterden Day Centre. Coffee Monitor - S. Nepp.

13th August, 2016