

**KINGSTON PARISH COUNCIL  
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Minutes:** of the Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 commencing at 8.13 pm in Our Lady Star of the Sea Hall, Vermont Drive, East Preston.

**Present:** Councillors Kenning (Vice Chairman in the Chair), Andrew, Buckenham, Joyce, Walker and Wetherell.

**Also present:** County Cllr Elkins, District Cllr Chapman, and Val Knight (Clerk).

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18/23 **Apologies** – Cllr Masson.

19/23 **Election of Chairman** – Cllr Masson was elected to serve for the ensuing year.

20/23 **Election of Vice-Chairman** - Cllr Kenning was elected to serve for the ensuing year and continued in the Chair in the absence of the Chairman.

21/23 **Declaration of Interests** - Further to declarations held in the Register of Members Interests, in the interest of openness, Cllrs Kenning and Walker declared membership of Kingston Gorse Estate. Cllr Andrew declared an interest in planning applications K/20/23/HH and K/21/23/L as they related to his residence.

22/23 **Public Opportunity** - No members of the public were present.

23/23 **Minutes** of the meeting held on the 16 March, 2023 were approved as a correct and signed by the Chairman

24/23 **Planning Applications** -

a) **Consideration of current applications** –

*Cllr Andrew redeclared his interest in planning applications K/20/23/HH and K/21/23/L and left the room.*

The following comments were agreed:

**K/20/23/HH** Kingston Manor, Kingston Lane - General repair works including repointing and reroofing works. Structural works. External and internal changes including alterations to fenestration, installation of insulation and replacement of guttering. Installation of air source heat pump and construction of French drain. (This application may affect the setting of a listed building).

**No Objection** subject to the Arun Conservation Officer having no objection

**K/21/23/L** Listed building consent in relation to K/20/23/HH

**No Objection** subject to the Arun Conservation Officer having no objection

*Cllr Andrew returned to the meeting.*

The following comment was agreed:

**K/23/23/HH** 45 Golden Avenue - Changes to the front fenestration with the addition of a porch, side extension to match existing, garage conversion, gabled rear double story extension with gabled outdoor kitchen area.

**No objection** providing the case officer is satisfied that there is no undue overlooking of the neighbouring property, and there is a condition that the balcony sides remain enclosed to protect the privacy of neighbouring properties

25/23 **Arun District Council**

a) **Status of Planning Applications** - To note the following:

**Approved:** K/1/23/HH 69 Golden, K/9/23/HH Anchorage, Sea Lane, K/10/23/HH The Coast House, Gorse Avenue, K/12/23/PL 52 Golden Avenue, K/13/23/HH 67 Golden Avenue.

**Refused:** K/56/22/PL re Land north-east of Kingston Lane, FG/124/22/PL re Lansdowne Nursery, The Barn, Littlehampton Road (Ferring), FG/180/22/OUT re Highdown Vineyard, Littlehampton Road (Ferring), K/56/22/PL re Land north-east of Kingston Lane, A/2/23/OUT Land at Ham Manor (Angmering)

- b) **K/56/22/PL** – Arising from item a), the refusal decision was discussed. Whilst the decision was welcomed it was disappointing that more reasons for refusal had not been cited e.g. highways issues. The Clerk to contact County Cllr Elkins to ask him about the views of County Highways and whether the transport concerns raised by this Council had been taken into account.

26/23 **Biodiversity, Conservation, Green Issues and Coast Protection** including:

- a) **Ferring Rife:** Cllr Joyce advised that the Rife, vegetation and wildlife were doing well. He had noted that some wood chippings had been left on the west bank just south of the Ferring Country Centre where part of a damaged tree had been removed.
- b) **Water Quality:** Statistics from the Environment Agency re the Rife were noted and that the Clerk had asked for more information on interpreting these. The Clerk to recirculate some of the links previously sent to online statistics.
- c) **Condition of Groynes** – Correspondence on the condition of Groynes was noted.

27/23 **Environmental Working Group (EWG)**

- a) **Signs to Protect Ground Nesting Birds** – The Clerk had taken photos of the gate from the Bluebird Café car park into the area on the west bank of the Rife and asked District if a sign could be placed on the gate (response awaited). The Clerk would try to obtain photos of the bridge to the north and go back to the EA regarding the position of a sign and whether they might waive the £150 licence fee before contacting Ferring Conservation Group. An email from a resident expressing concern that the sign would say dogs should be on a lead rather than under control/at heel (as agreed at the last meeting of Committee) was noted.
- b) **Dog fouling Signs** – It was noted that a meeting is being arranged between District and representatives of the EWG to discuss types of signs and locations.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.47 pm.

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