

KINGS LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

<u>MINUTES</u> of the Planning and Licensing Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 19th December 2023.

Present: Cllrs De Silva (Vice-Chair), Anderson, Button, James-Saunders, Johnson, Lydon and Coxill.

Also Present: Mr G Ansell, Chair of Kings Langley Residents Association and 1 member of public.

- 1. <u>Apologies for Absence</u>
 - 1.1 Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Angiolini and Rogers. Cllr Coxill substituted onto the Committee.
 - 1.2 In the Committee Chair's absence, Cllr De Silva chaired the meeting, and as the Council did not currently have a Clerk, Cllr Johnson took the minutes of the meeting.
- 2. <u>Declarations of Interest</u>
 - 2.1 None.
- 3. <u>Public Participation</u>
 - 3.1 Mr G Ansell, Chair of Kings Langley Residents Association, spoke in objection to the planning application at Westmeon, 54 Langley Hill. He was opposed as the application would involve new development in the Green Belt, would have a harmful impact on the privacy of the properties between the site and Langley Hill, would not have appropriate vehicular access, and would impede and reduce the safety of The Drift footway.
- 4. <u>Minutes</u>
 - 4.1 It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 21st November 2023 be confirmed and adopted as a true record.

- 4.2 The minutes were then signed by the Chair.
- 5. <u>Matters Arising (not elsewhere on the agenda)</u>
 - 5.1 None.

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6. <u>Consideration of Planning Applications</u>

Reference	Address	Details of Application	Submission	Reason (if any)
23/02805/FUL	Car park opposite The Eagle Public House, Hempstead Road	Erection of electric vehicle charging station with ancillary dwell facility, together with associated access and landscaping works	Objection	Inappropriate development in the Green Belt. Includes large building which would be prominent in the landscape and materially harm the openness of the Green Belt. The sustainability benefit does not outweigh the harm to the Green Belt separating Hemel Hempstead & Kings Langley, when irrespective of ownership, there is an adjacent existing petrol station that could be converted to a EV charging facilities are already being provided in the local area, e.g. Sainsburys Apsley.
23/02834/FUL	Westmeon, 56 Langley Hill	Sub-division of existing plot and construction of a new build residential dwelling.	Objection	Inappropriate development in the Green Belt. Harmful impact on the privacy of the properties between the site and Langley Hill. Inappropriate vehicular access, and impeding and reducing the safety of The Drift footway.
23/02763/FHA		Demolition of existing conservatory. Single storey rear extension and elevational alterations with internal amendments.	No objection	

7. <u>Planning Applications Monthly Update List</u>

7.1 The report was noted.

8. <u>Other Planning & Licensing Matters</u>

8.1 None.

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9. <u>Any Other Planning and Licensing Business (not requiring formal decision)</u>

9.1 Cllr Johnson reported he had attended the recent exhibition of plans for the redevelopment of the Montessori school/youth club site off Meadowbank to provide four adult social care residential units. The planning application would be forth-coming, and he felt there weren't any planning problems with what was proposed. Cllr Anderson was disappointed that the County Council had broken its decades long promises to offer the vacant site to the Abbeyfield Trust next door, and that when the County Council had decided not to do so, it had ignored the community's alternative suggestions for the most pressing social needs for vacant land in the village.

The meeting ended at 8pm.

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