



Chailey Parish Council

Minutes

A meeting of Members of the Chailey Parish Council Planning & Environs Committee (Urgent Planning Matters) was held on 19th June 2018 in the Reading Room, Chailey Green commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllr. J.Millam (Chairman).
Cllrs. P. Atkins, S. Avery, N. Belcher, Mrs E Berry, M. Cornwall, M. Evans, K. Jordan.
M. Lethem and P. Olbrich.

Public present: 2

In attendance: Mrs B Newell, Stand in Clerk to the Council and Cllr Jim Sheppard

18/063 Apologies for absence: none.

18/064 Verbal representations by members of the public: members of the public spoke to oppose application LW/3393/CC, to explain their objections and to answer questions put to them by Councillors.

18/065 Declarations of Interest by Councillors: none

18/066 Items not on the agenda considered as a matter of urgency: none.

18/067 Lewes District Council planning applications: The following planning application was considered by Councillors and the following responses were agreed:

Planning Ref No.	Name and Address of Applicant	Work Requested	Responses
LW/3393/CC	Adult Social Care, ESCC, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes BN7 1SG	Greenacres Mill Lane, Chailey, BN8 4PY: Demolition of existing single storey building. Construction of 2 no. single storey blocks plus 1 no. two storey block to provide supported living accommodation for adults with complex needs; accommodation to comprise 6 self-contained flats (long term occupancy) and 4 studio apartments (short term occupancy) with associated ancillary staff and external spaces. Provision of 15 car parking spaces, cycle and motor cycle parking.	<u>Objections</u> (see <u>comments</u>)

LW/3393/CC: Councillors agreed that they were in principle supportive of the redevelopment. However, they had objections to aspects of the current proposals.

Councillors agreed with comments made by residents objecting to the siting and general appearance of the proposed buildings. The proposed two storey building would be sited in a prominent position and consideration should be given as to whether the layout could be reconfigured to repositioning this building. As to appearance, the proposed buildings would be out of character with the type of buildings that predominate in Chailey and that evidence obtained whilst developing the Neighbourhood Plan suggested was preferred by residents. Pitched roofs with tiles would be more in keeping. Councillors also considered that the use of softer more sympathetic colours than those proposed would make the development less obtrusive.

Concerns had been expressed by residents about the traffic implications for Mill Lane. The position would be greatly exacerbated if the either or both of the proposed developments at Chailey School and Gradwell End were to be under way at the same time as the development under consideration. Mill Lane is a busy road, particularly when the school is open. Councillors shared the concerns expressed and considered that coordinated traffic management plans for all sites (including Greenacres) would need to be in put in place to reduce the effect of the increased traffic in Mill Lane and to minimise disruption to other users and local residents. Councillors asked Cllr. Sheppard to raise this issue with ESCC.

Councillors noted a report that demolition of the site had already been started. Whilst they believed that planning consent was not required for such work, a site visit would be arranged.

18/068 Date of the next Planning & Environs Committee meeting: Tuesday 3rd July 2018 at 7.30pm in the Reading Room, Chailey Green

Signed *J Millam*
Chairman

Date: *3rd July 2018*