

SNODLAND TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

25 OCTOBER 2018

Committee Members present:	Cllrs P Hickmott (C), Mrs K Mordecai-Woolf (VC), Mrs S Bell, Mrs D Crook, Mrs L Downes, B Garlick, J Minter and M Sawkins
Council Members present:	Mrs K Sowten (Chief Executive), Miss E Jones and Cllr A Keeley
Members of the public:	No members of the public present

1.	<u>Apologies for absence</u> Apologies were received from Cllrs D Purll and Mrs N Misy.	
2.	<u>Declaration of Interests</u> Cllr M Sawkins announced a declaration of interest for item 5.4.2.	
3.	<u>Minutes - To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2018</u> The minutes of 13 September 2018 were agreed as a correct record.	
4.	<u>Questions from the public</u> (<i>Members of the public are advised that they may speak for up to three minutes</i>). There were no members of the public present at the meeting.	
5.	<u>Planning Applications</u>	
5.1.	<u>Decisions Received</u> The decisions list was distributed to the Councillors.	
5.2.	Planning applications considered outside Council Meetings (as per our terms of reference)	TM/18/01921/FL – 15 Brook Lane, Snodland – Removal of shed and erection of a double garage to rear of garden – No objection
5.3	<u>Planning applications considered at other Council Meetings</u>	None
5.4	<u>Applications for consideration:</u>	
5.4.1	TM/18/02355/TPOC JennyChem House, Mid Kent Business Park, Sortmill Road, Snodland	To cut back the tree line by approx. 2m back to fence line, reduce hedge down to 3ft in height and cut back vegetation from fence – No objection
5.4.2	TM/18/02318/FL 48 Higham Avenue, Snodland	Retrospective Section 73 application for the variation of condition 2 of planning permission TM/01/02746/OAEA changing the

			landscaping details from soft to hard landscaping to the front of the property – No objection
5.4.3	TM/18/02333/FL	65 Lucas Road, Snodland	Single storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory – No objection
5.4.4	TM/18/02126/FL	71 Willowside, Snodland	Single storey rear extension from additional area to bedroom and conservatory – No objection
6.	<u>Any additional plans that arrive after agenda circulated:</u> None		
7.	<p><u>To receive an update on the Local Plan</u></p> <p>The Chairman reported that he and the CEO attended the meeting at Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council and reported the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He advised that the A21 had been dualled and development would continue in the northern part of the borough but there were no plans for future development in Snodland; • He advised the Committee that the 45 degree rule is still applied when assessing extensions. 		
8.	<p><u>To consider concerns raised regarding pedestrian access to and from the Co-op store</u></p> <p>The CEO reported that she had received an e-mail from a local resident raising her concerns regarding pedestrians crossing the road from the main entrance of the new Co-op without due care and attention. Due to the dropped kerb having a tactile surface pedestrians are assuming a zebra crossing is present and are not looking for oncoming traffic and are walking straight across. Concerns of near accidents had also raised by other residents.</p> <p>Another concern was raised regarding the cash machine which is located on the side of the High Street. Motorists are parking their vehicles on the kerb adjacent to the cash machine whilst using the machine – it was suggested that bollards could be placed here in order to deter motorists from doing this.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED – the CEO asked the Committee members to forward any further comments or concerns so that the CEO could flag them up to officials from KCC at the KCC Highways Seminar that she would be attending on Friday.</p>		
9.	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>The CEO reported that she had received an e-mail from the Chief Executive from Kent Association of Local Councils regarding the Lower Thames Crossing Consultation launched by Highways England. On the south side of the Thames, the proposed new road will link to the A2 and M2. On the north side, it will link the A13 and the M25. The Highways England consultation deadline is 23.59 on 20 December 2018. Further details on the consultation and supporting documents can be accessed via the following weblink: www.highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/ltc/consultation</p>		

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.12pm.