### **Sevenoaks Town Council**

### NOTES ON REPORT TO PLANNING COMMITTEE

# MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Cllr Keith Bonin	Cllr Nicholas Busvine OBE, Mayor
Cllr Sue Camp (Chairman)	Cllr Dr Merilyn Canet
Cllr Tony Clayton	Cllr Andrew Eyre
Cllr Victoria Granville-Baxter	Cllr Roderick Hogarth
Cllr Lise Michaelides	Cllr Tom Morris Brown
Cllr Mrs Rachel Parry	Cllr Richard Parry
Cllr Robert Piper (Vice-Chairman)	Cllr Simon Raikes
Cllr Claire Shea	Cllr Edward Waite

The Councillors listed above were consulted electronically, facilitated by the Town Clerk/Chief Executive, Planning Committee Clerk and Planning Assistant.

Representation was received from a member of the public in relation to [Plan no.17] Summerhill Seal Hollow Road and circulated to all Town Councillors.

# 19 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

Councillor Raikes declared a non-pecuniary interest in the following application:

[Plan no. 11] Conyers 18 Woodside Road

# 20 DECLARATIONS OF LOBBYING

Councillor Waite declared he had been lobbied on the following application

[Plan no 17] Summerhill Seal Hollow Road

Counillor Clayton declared he had been lobbied on the following application

[Plan no 17] Summerhill Seal Hollow Road

# 21 NOTES ON PLANNING REPORT

Councillors received and agreed the Notes on the Report To Planning Committee of 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

# 22 COVID-19: PLANNING COMMITTEE ARRANGEMENTS

- a) It was noted that face-to-face Planning Committee meetings at the Town Council Offices would continue to be suspended while Social Distancing measures remained in place.
- b) It was noted that all arrangements were subject to review.

#### 23 PLANNING APPEALS

The Committee received notice of the submission of the following appeal:

APP/G2245/D/20/3246732 19/03354/HOUSE: Rose House, 6A St Botolph's Road

INFORMATIVE: Sevenoaks Town Council made the following recommendation under Chairman's Action on 20/12/2019:

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended refusal, on the grounds that St Botolph's is an important streetscape in the Vine Conservation Area and merits particular care and attention. The proposal to build a large double garage right up against the front boundary fence is not in keeping with the garages of neighbouring properties. It does not enhance the street scene and results in bulk and massing for this particular location. It is visually intrusive and highly visible to passing pedestrians and traffic.

## 24 KENT COUNTY COUNCIL PARISH HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN/ACTION PLAN

The committee responded to Kent County Council comments and noted that these would be recirculated for consideration.

#### 25 PUBLIC REALM/CULTURAL QUARTER STRATEGY

Councilors noted that The Shambles area had been suggested for inclusion in the list of Public Realm Spaces as well as Features within the Town Council's Parish Cultural Quarter Strategy.

#### 26 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Councillors considered planning applications received during the two weeks ending 28<sup>th</sup> April 2020. It was agreed that the attached comments would be forwarded to the District Council, as a Ward Councillor, Chairman of Planning Committee and Town Clerk delegated decision.

#### 27 PRESS RELEASES

It was recommended that Sevenoaks Town Council continued to regularly provide Press Releases relating to the procedures during COVID 19.

# Council Meeting 23rd March 2020 Minute 567 ii)

**RESOLVED:** To agree emergency measures that if it was not possible to convene a meeting of the Council or Committee in reasonable time or where restrictions are in place, the Town Clerk (and Deputy Town Clerk) shall have delegated authority under s.101 of the Local Government Act 1972 to make decisions on behalf of the Council where such decision cannot be reasonably deferred and must be made in order to comply with a commercial or statutory deadline. This will be carried out where possible by consultation with members by electronic means or telephone. The Town Clerk will further consult with the Mayor for guidance as necessary. The delegation does not extend to matters expressly reserved to the council in legislation or in its Standing Orders or Financial Regulations. Any decision made under this delegation must be recorded in writing and must be published in accordance with the relevant regulations.

Applications considered on 4-5-20

1	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/00575/FUL	Ray Hill 14-05-2020	Cllr Granville-Baxter	Change The Use 0208393
Applio	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Delta HF	PC	Unit 5, Goya Business Park	The Moor Road	Northern
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				22/04/20

Change of Use B8 (Storage and Distribution) to D1 (Sports Rehabilitation Centre) and a mezzanine level.

Comment

### CHAIRMAN'S ACTION:

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval.

2	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/00862/HOUSE	S Simmons 08-05-2020	Cllr Parry	Carmen Austin Architectur
Applio	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mr Buxt	on & Mrs Carda	Wood Dene	17 Oakhill Road	Kippington
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				16/04/20

Demolition of the existing garage, construction of a new garage with art studio in a roof development above with dormer windows.

### Comment

# Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval.

3	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/00905/FUL	Emma Gore 20-05-2020	Cllr Michaelides	TP Bennett 02072 082410
Applic	ant	House Name	Road	Locality
Martins	Properties		16 South Park	Town
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				28/04/20

Raising the roof to faciliate the extension of the office by adding one new storey of floorspace. Proposed new additional mezzanine parking level, creating 7 new car parking spaces at lower ground level. Removal of rooftop telephone antennae and provision of roof top plant.

# Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended that this application be forwarded to the Sevenoaks District Council Development Control Committee for consideration.

Applications considered on 4-5-20

4	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/00928/FUL	Mark Mirams 09-05-2020	Cllr Piper	Open Architecture 779580
Applic	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Portman	Homes Ltd	Land North East Of Heron Wood	Gracious Lane	Kippington
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				17/04/20

Demolition of existing equestrian buildings and construction of three contemporary detached dwellings with associated parking and landscaping.

#### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended refusal, unless SDC is satisfied that the "basement" as currently designed meets the requirements of the SPD and that the 3 new houses are not more prominent in the landscape than the existing stables.

5	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/00999/HOUSE	Holly Pockett 07-05-2020	Cllr Eyre	Kent Building Control Ltd 0
Applio	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mr & Mr	rs Saveliev		8 Redlands Road	Kippington
Town	1	County	Post Code	Application date
				15/04/20

Single storey front infill extension, alterations to fenestration and changing the front and part side elevation materials.

#### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval.

6	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01000/CONVAR	Ray Hill 16-05-2020	Cllr Parry	N/A
Applio	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Ms Anna	a White	Westra Lodge	114 Kippington Road	Kippington
Town	1	County	Post Code	Application date
				24/04/20

Removal of condition 7 (the first floor windows of the north elevation shall be obscure glazed and therefore shall be maintained as such) of 01/00046/FUL to Demolition of existing and erection of detached house and garage. As amplified by additional/amended plans received 19.2.01, 2.3.01 and 23.3.01.

### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended refusal, on the grounds that to allow "clear" glazing in the North Elevation will result in a loss of privacy for nearby properties.

Applications considered on 4-5-20

7	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01001/HOUSE	Holly Pockett 16-05-2020	Cllr Granville-Baxter	Real Design 01892 533321
Appli	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mr Cool	<		39 The Moor Road	Northern
Town	1	County	Post Code	Application date
				24/04/20

Demolition of two existing sheds and terrace with the enlargement of existing single storey rear extension with rooflights and extension to existing lightweight shed roof.

#### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended refusal, on the grounds of overdevelopment.

8	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01006/HOUSE	Ronald Tong 08-05-2020	Cllr Shea	Cobden Architectural Desi
Applic	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mr A Ta	ylor	Northview	Hawthorn Lane	Northern
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				16/04/20

Demolition of existing conservatory and single storey side extension. Erection of a single storey side/rear extension and 2 storey side extension with rooflights, formation of dormer in the roof and alterations to fenestration.

### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval.

9	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01010/HOUSE	Alexis Stanyer 09-05-2020	Cllr Dr Canet	Pump House Designs 014
Applic	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mr & Mr	rs C Burr		42 Uplands Way	Riverhead (adjoining parish
Town	)	County	Post Code	Application date
				17/04/20

# (Adjoining Parish Consultation)

Proposed extensions, new porch, tudor roof, including new boundary fencing, entrance gates, driveway improvements, landscaping, bin store, juliet balcony and alterations to fenestration.

# Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval.

Applications considered on 4-5-20

10	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01030/FUL	Sean Mitchell 08-05-2020	Cllr Piper	Offset Architects 459829
Applio	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
CAP 3D	)	Crofters	67 Oakhill Road	Kippington
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				16/04/20

Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a new detached 3 storey house and separate detached garage block.

#### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended refusal due to the overlooking of no 69 llex Cottage at the rear.

11	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01035/FUL	Sean Mitchell 13-05-2020	Cllr Hogarth	Sketch London 02037 743
Appli	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mrs B J	ones	Conyers	18 Woodside Road	St Johns
Town	1	County	Post Code	Application date
				21/04/20

Demolition of existing house, garage and greenhouse and the erection of a replacement 5 bedroom house with integrated garage.

#### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval, subject to the preservation of key trees on the southern and western boundaries and the Planning Officer conditioning that access during construction will not cause damage or excessive disturbance to neighbours.

Informative: Cllr Raikes declared a non-pecuniary interest in this application and therefore declined to comment.

12	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01055/FUL	Ray Hill 12-05-2020	Cllr Clayton	Robinson Escott Planning
Applicant		House Name	Road	Locality
Kentmere Homes Ltd			51 Wickenden Road	Eastern
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				20/04/20

Erection of linked two storey addition to side of existing dwelling to provide a 2 bedroom dwelling with associated parking, bin, cycle storage and private rear garden and provision of single storey rear extension to serve existing dwelling at No. 51.

#### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval of the new house and extension, but is concerned about the loss of much of the rear garden, and the conversion of the entire front garden to hardstanding.

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Applications considered on 4-5-20

13	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01056/FUL	Ray Hill 12-05-2020	Cllr Clayton	Robinson Escott Planning
Applicant		House Name	Road	Locality
Kentmere Homes Ltd			51 Wickenden Road	Eastern
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				20/04/20

Erection of detached two bedroom dwelling with associated parking, secure bin and cycle storage and amenity space on land to rear of 51 Wickenden Road with access achieved from rear (Littlewood).

## Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommend refusal, on the ground that this is an undesirable and cramped form of backland development on a very small plot. It has almost no garden of its own despite being a family house, and it occupies part of the garden of no 51, which would be much reduced. In addition, although there are no windows overlooking the reduced garden of no 51, or 49 and 53, the addition of a family house at the bottom of their gardens would impact them.

14	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01061/HOUSE	Ronald Tong 16-05-2020	Cllr Raikes	Level Architecture 01892 8
Applicant		House Name	Road	Locality
Mr P Steggle			55 Dartford Road	St Johns
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				24/04/20

Single storey rear extension. Loft conversion with rear dormer and rooflights to the front.

# Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval, subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that there will be no unacceptable loss of amenity to neighbouring properties to either side or the rear through overlooking.

15	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01065/HOUSE	Ronald Tong 12-05-2020	Cllr Shea	Peter Ferns Architecture 0
Appli	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mr A Cornah			164 Seal Road	Northern
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				20/04/20

Proposed two storey extension to provide additional accommodation, replacement deck to rear with steps and alterations to fenestration.

#### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended refusal on the grounds of design and appearance.

Applications considered on 4-5-20

16	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01067/HOUSE	S Simmons 12-05-2020	Cllr Eyre	N/A
Appli	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mrs J S	tradling	Heather Brae	60 The Rise	Kippington
Town	)	County	Post Code	Application date
				20/04/20
Increa	ase height of 3 fe	nce panels.		

#### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval provided there is no loss of amenity to the neighbour at 62 The Rise.

17	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01075/FUL	Mark Mirams 13-05-2020	Cllr Waite	Howard Sharp & Partners
Applicant		House Name	Road	Locality
Brentfiel	ld Homes Ltd	Summerhill	Seal Hollow Road	Eastern
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				21/04/20

Demolition of existing dwelling; erection of two detached dwellings with garaging and associated works incorporating minor revisions following consents under application references 18/00158/OUT and 18/02903/CONVAR.

#### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended resual, on the following grounds:

- Continued additional risk posed to the mature Oak Tree which has a TPO in place, given that the concrete slab will be larger and thicker than the existing concrete slab, which is situated within the Root Protection Area.
- The creeping increase in size of the two properties meaning that there will clearly be over development of site and density issues
- The proposal is not consistent with guidance contained in the Residential Character Assessment.
- The plan as it stands appears to override the planting plans agreed under previous permissions for the western boundary, which has recently been stripped of all vegetation, dug out and left as a gabion wall. The 'existing Thuja Brabant planting' referred to on the plan no longer exists. This is out of character with the surrounding area and the residential character assessment.

Informative: Sevenoaks Town Council recommends the District Council avoids granting any permissions for this site which weaken the environmental and planting conditions in previous proposals

Applications considered on 4-5-20

18	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01081/HOUSE	S Simmons 15-05-2020	Cllr Dr Canet	Mr P Hobbs
Applicant		House Name	Road	Locality
Archview Projects Ltd			19 Mount Close	Northern
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				23/04/20

To raise roof in order to facilitate gable loft extension to add first floor. Dormer and fenestration alterations.

### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval for 19 Mount Close as long as the attached neighbours are not inconvenienced at 17 Mount Close.

19	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01090/HOUSE	Holly Pockett 16-05-2020	Cllr Eyre	Cobden 455029
Applio	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mr M Dunnett			12 Letter Box Lane	Kippington
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				24/04/20

Single storey rear extension with decking and basement under and rooflights.

### Comment

# Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval.

20	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent
	20/01093/FUL	Ray Hill 14-05-2020	Cllr Mrs Parry	Offset Architects 753333
Applic	cant	House Name	Road	Locality
Mr G Phillips		Briarwood	Blackhall Lane	Wildernesse
Town		County	Post Code	Application date
				22/04/20

Demolition of existing house and detached garages. Erection of replacement detached dwelling, garage and associated driveway and rear terrace.

## Comment

# Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval.

21	Plan Number	Planning officer	Town Councillor	Agent			
	20/01118/MMA	Holly Pockett 19-05-2020	Cllr Bonin	Stephen Langer Assoc.018			
Applicant		House Name	Road	Locality			
Mr & M	rs Chagan	Holly Lodge	3 Pound Lane	Town			
Towr	า	County	Post Code	Application date			
				27/04/20			
Amendment to 20/00369/LBCALT							

#### Amendment to 20/00369/LBCALT

### Comment

Sevenoaks Town Council recommended approval subject to the Conservation Officer being satisfied.