Speldhurst Parish Council

Minutes of The Planning Committee Meeting held in The Village Hall, Ashurst on Wednesday, 24th September 2008 at 7.45pm

Present: Cllr. Mrs Podbury

Cllr. Brown
Cllr. Ellis
Cllr. Langridge
Cllr. Stevens
Cllr. Wheeler

Two members of the public (architect and agent) – 08/03102 –

Cherry Trees, Farnham Lane

Apologies: Cllr. Mrs Paulson-Ellis – prior engagement

It was unanimously agreed that in absence of Cllr. Mrs Paulson-Ellis, Cllr. Wheeler would chair the meeting.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd September 2008, having previously been distributed to all members, were agreed and signed, with the following amendment: Cllr. Stevens attended the meeting.

08/02949/FUL/SW3

Declarations: None disclosed

Address: 56 Dornden Drive, Langton Green

Proposal: Extension at ground and first floor level over existing

ground floor utility and shower rooms and existing

entrance porch.

Decision: Recommend Approval – improves the street scene.

08/03041/FUL/EG1

Declarations: None disclosed

Address: Tophill Farmhouse, Groombridge Hill, Groombridge Proposal: Demolition of outbuilding and erection of a single storey

detached playroom / studio

Decision: Remain Neutral – Leave to Planners

08/03055/TPO/DMD

Declarations: None disclosed

Address: 9 Roopers, Speldhurst

Proposal: Trees

Decision: Remain Neutral – Leave to Tree Officer

08/03102/FUL/RE4

Declarations: None disclosed

Address: Cherry Trees, Farnham Lane, Tunbridge Wells Proposal: Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of

replacement two-storey dwelling with associated garaging

Decision: Remain Neutral – Leave to Planners

Comment: commend low energy concept

08/03116/TPO/DMD

Declarations: None disclosed

Address: 11 Holmewood Ridge, Langton Green

Proposal: Trees

Decision: Remain Neutral – leave to Tree Officer

08/03117/TPO/DMD

Declarations: None disclosed

Address: Land at Broom Park, Broom Park, Langton Green

Proposal: Trees

Decision: Remain Neutral – Leave to Tree Oficer

08/03155/FUL/GM2

Declarations: None disclosed

Address: 11 Newlands, Langton Green

Proposal: Single storey front and single storey rear extensions

Decision: Remain Neutral – leave to Planners

Middlefield / Rusthall Elms – reply from TWBC to Parish Council's letter

It was unanimously agreed that the Clerk should approach Borough Councillor David Jukes to request that he formally asks that this be referred back to Committee for consideration to the access for site construction traffic to utilise the existing access from the A264.

TWBC's understanding of tennis courts being defined as 'previously developed land'

TWBC confirmed that each case will be judged on its own merit – continue to monitor.

Planning Committee's Terms of Reference – initial discussion

Committee discussed the initial draft. Cllr. Wheeler will send a revised draft to the Clerk for further discussion.

Items for Information

- Permitted Development and TWBC Adoption of Revised Local Development Plan – the Committee would welcome official guidance on the new regulations from a member of the Planning Department after the new rules come into force.
- **11 Northfields** the Committee request that the Clerk contacts the Enforcement Officer to clarify the situation although the application has been refused work has already been completed.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9.25pm.