



AYLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **PLANNING ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE** meeting
held on **Tuesday 27th June 2023 at 19.00pm** at Aylesham House

SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION AT THE NEXT MEETING

1. Those Present

Cllr D. Fleck (Committee Chair)
Cllr G. Armstrong

Cllr S. Bott
Mrs N. Purcell (Acting Assistant Clerk)

2. Apologies for Absence

Cllr D Miller- Work Commitments

3. Councillor Information

Declaration of Interest- None

Changes to Register of Interest- None

Granting of Dispensation- None

4. Public representation

None

5. Welcome & Introductions

The committee were welcomed to their first meeting. An opportunity was given for any questions at this stage.

6. Air Quality Action Plan Consultation.

See appendix A

Resolved: it was proposed by S. bott and seconded by G. Armstrong to submit the responses noted in appendix A regarding the Air Quality Action Plan Consultation.

Outcome: All in favour, motion carried.

7. To receive updates on the following consultee responses:

7.1 Dover District Council Planning Reference: Amended Details 20/00365

Proposal: Approval of the reserved matters for the strategic infrastructure Phase 2A.1, 2A.2, 2A.3, 2A.4, and 3.1 including details for conditions 57, 88, 89, 90, 93,

100 and 114 pursuant to permission DOV/15/00068 Location: Phase 2A.1 and 2A.2, Aylesham Village Expansion, Aylesham, Kent
No Update

7.2 Dover District Council Planning Reference: 23/00071 Proposal: Formation of vehicular access with hardstanding Location: 37 Hyde Place, Aylesham CT3 3AN

No Update

7.3 Kent County Council Public Right of Way Consultation request Proposal:
Proposed Diversion of part of Public Footpath EE291 and EE291A at Location: Aylesham (postcode: CT3 3AX)

No Update

7.4 Kent County Council Public Right of Way Consultation request Proposal:
Proposed Diversion of part of Public Footpath EE288 and EE461 Location: Aylesham ref: 0130 (postcode: CT3 3HH)

Update shared with Committee. See Appendix B.

Resolved: It was proposed by S. bott and seconded by G. Armstrong that the clerks respond to DDC, thanking them for answering the questions but explain that the council still have concerns which they would like the opportunity to explain in detail. Council wish to invite DDC for a site visit, as they feel this would be helpful for those not familiar with the area.

Outcome: All in favour, motion carried.

7.5 Kent County Council Public Right of Way Consultation request Proposal:
Proposed diversion of Public Footpath EE461 (part) Location: Aylesham (Postcode: CT3 3GT)

As above (Appendix B)

8. To discuss the following applications:

8.1 Dover District Council Planning Reference: 23/00702

Location: 64-66 Cornwallis Avenue, Aylesham

Proposal: Erection of an outbuilding with link to shop for storage use

Resolved: It was proposed by G. Armstrong and seconded by S. Bott to support the above application.

Outcome: All in favour, motion carried.

8.2 Proposed telecommunications upgrade:

Proposed base station upgrade at ct1l_236041 23, Ratling Court Farm Industrial estate, Ratling Road, Adisham, Canterbury, ct3 3ja (ngr: 623561, 153844)

Resolved: It was proposed by S. bott and seconded by G. Armstrong that the committee submit 'no comment'.

Outcome: All in favour, motion carried.

9. PROW

Cllr Fleck wished to discuss the footpath that runs between the Station, and Ratling Road. It has a signpost, but it overgrown. N. Purcell to look int the PROW status of this path and bring back to next meeting for discussion.

Resolved: It was proposed by S. Bott and seconded by .Armstrong that the committee map out all of the Jitty's in Aylesham & Snowdown and work on appling for them to be made PROWs. Cllr Fleck Is happy to map them out.

Outcome: All in favour, motion carried.

10. Next meeting Date

Tuesday 25th July 2023.

11. Items for the agenda- Any items that councillors wish to be placed on the agenda must be emailed to the clerks no later than 10 working days prior to any meeting.

- Meeting Closed 19:52pm-

It has been agreed by the committee that these minutes are a true and accurate record.

Signed.....

Date.....

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Appendices for June 2023 Planning, Environment & Transport Committee Meeting.

Appendix A: Agenda item 6: Air Quality Action Plan Consultation

Our role in air pollution

We can all make adaptations to our lifestyles, behaviours and choices to reduce air pollution. We are interested in identifying what those living and working in our district perceive to be the causes of air pollution and what steps can be taken by individuals to improve air quality.

3. Do you think the issue of air quality is important in the Dover district?

Very Important ✓

Important

Not so important

I don't know

4. What do you feel is the main cause of air quality problems in your local area?

Traffic ✓

Industry

Farming

5. What do you think is possibly the biggest cause of air pollution (locally) from your own household?

Your energy use

~~Your travel choices (car/bus/train/etc)~~

~~Your food choices~~

~~Retail choices~~

Other ✓ ***N/A as answering as a local authority not individual household.***

6. What lifestyle or behaviour changes would you be willing to make to improve poor air quality?

~~Participate in Anti-Idling Campaigns~~

~~Use a car club rather than purchasing/ replacing your car~~

~~Only burn dry, well-seasoned wood or smokeless fuel on stove, open fire or barbeque~~

~~Improve your understanding about air pollution by visiting the Dover District Council, Kent~~

~~Air or other relevant websites regularly~~

~~Walk your child/children to school~~

~~Install an electric charging point at your property if possible~~

~~Replace your current vehicle with an electric vehicle or other ultra-low emission alternatives~~

~~Replace your old boiler(s) with ultra-low emission boilers~~

~~Use a bicycle for local journeys~~

~~Use fragrance-free milder cleaning products~~

~~Choose low volatile organic compounds (VOC)~~

~~Tree planting~~

~~Take the bus regularly for your journeys~~

Other ✓ ***N/A as answering as a local authority not individual household.***

Steps to improve Air Quality

We wish to establish your thoughts on our draft action plan. This includes whether our priorities and proposed actions meet the scale of the problem, target the issues that matter to our communities and whether there is anything else we could be doing.

7. Do you think enough is already being done locally to improve air quality?

Yes

Possibly

No ☒

Don't know

8. Were you aware that there was an existing air quality action plan in place in Dover?

Yes

No ☒

9. Our draft Air Quality Action Plan sets out the below five priority areas:

- **Priority 1:** Transport – Provision of additional transport infrastructure; changes to road layout or operation; formulation of traffic plans with the aim to encourage the use of greener modes of transport, and/or reduce congestion and associated vehicle emissions
- **Priority 2** – Public Health – Encouragement of wider behavioural changes in local population with respect to their travel choices, raise awareness and educate members of the public on the impact of air pollution
- **Priority 3** - Strategies and Policy Guidance – Working with partners and stakeholders to direct the use of legislation and targeted enforcement to control air pollution
- **Priority 4** – Planning and Infrastructure – Mitigate potential air quality impacts effectively by being involved in decision making early on for future developments required to support the growth of the Dover district.
- **Priority 5** – Air Quality Monitoring (Evidence for Improvement) – Ensure satisfactory air quality monitoring data is available to track outcomes of the implemented AQAP measures.

Do you agree that the 5 priorities identified will meet the needs of the district and help reduce air pollution?

Yes

No ☒

I don't know

10. Please put the below air pollution intervention topics in the order you feel Dover District Council should prioritise. (Highest priority at the top and lowest priority at the bottom)

Transport planning and infrastructure

Policy guidance and developmental control

Public Information- (Awareness raising/ education)

Freight and delivery management- (Port of Dover)

Council vehicle fleet efficiency
Promoting active travel
Promoting low emission transport
Promoting travel alternatives

11.How might we improve the draft Air Quality Action Plan?

It is essential that DDC partner with local businesses and other organisations in the District, to allow for a better perspective if the public were involved. It may be more beneficial to work with the public at the point of discussion, rather than when the generic questions are released in consultations such as these.]

Appendix B: Agenda item 7.4

Thank you for your response to the consultation. I have reviewed your objection and discussed it with the applicant and I would like to make the following comments:-

Firstly, planning permission has been granted for this site and this is therefore not an opportunity to revisit the planning application. As such, it is not possible for me to comment on issues such as speed restrictions as this is outside of my remit and will have been considered, by Dover District Council, as part of the planning process before a decision was reached.

In relation to moving EE288 to EE461 at the Ratling Road entrance. It is essentially proposed to divert Public Footpath EE288 slightly further south from point C to point I. However, for continuity purposes I have renumbered this section of path EE461 on the plan, as otherwise there would have been a gap between the 2 lengths of EE288. I do apologise if this has caused confusion.

The path currently runs through wasteland and overgrown woodland, whereas the proposed path is to follow a defined surfaced path in part through woodland, which once established will offer a pleasant path for the public to use. We are unfortunately unable to include a gate within a Town & Country Planning Act Order, however if successful the County Council will monitor the situation and if there is an issue with motorbikes then we can use our powers under Section 66 of the Highways Act 1980 to install a suitable structure to prohibit this use.

The test under The Town & Country Planning Act 1990 is that it is necessary to divert the path to enable development to take place. The County Council consider that this test has been met and no other objections have been received to the proposal. The County Council is therefore minded to recommend to Dover District Council that an Order should be made to divert part of Public Footpath EE288 and EE461 at Aylesham.

I trust that I have addressed the concerns of the Parish Council (that are in my remit to do so) and that having read the above you will be minded to view the proposal more favourably. However, should you wish to discuss the proposal in more detail, then please do contact me.