
PLANNING WORKING GROUP

MINUTES of the Meeting held at 6 Sheerstone, Iwade, Kent, ME9 8RN on Monday, 16 May 2016 from 10.00 am - 10.08 am.

PRESENT: Councillors Mike Baldock, Cameron Beart, Richard Darby, Paul Fleming (substitute for Councillor James Hall), Sue Gent, James Hunt, Bryan Mulhern (Chairman) and Ben Stokes.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Philippa Davies, Paul Gregory and Ross McCardle.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Bobbin, Andy Booth, Roger Clark, Mike Dendor, Mark Ellen, James Hall, Mike Henderson, Lesley Ingham, Peter Marchington and Prescott.

660 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No interests were declared.

661 **2.2 15/508144/FULL 6 SHEERSTONE, IWADE, ME9 8RN**

The Chairman welcomed the applicant, the applicant's agent, a representative from Iwade Parish Council and one member of the public to the meeting.

The Planner introduced the application which sought planning permission for a two storey, two bedroomed dwelling. This would be attached to No. 6 Sheerstone. The property would be orientated away from No.6, and face the highway at a similar angle to Nos. 2 and 4. The Planner outlined the dimensions of the proposed dwelling. It would measure 7.8 metres in width along the stepped front elevation and 3.6 metres in width at the rear of the property. The property would be 8.8 metres in depth, 5 metres to the eaves and 7.8 metres in overall height with a pitched roof. The Planner reported that the front of the property would comprise of hardstanding and a landscaped garden; the hardstanding would be 12.6 metres in depth, and it would continue adjacent to the proposed property. There would be provision for 3 cars within the curtilage of the proposed property. The Planner explained that the amenity space to the rear of No. 6 would be halved to provide amenity space for the proposed property; this would be approximately 27 metres in length and 6.6 metres in width, tapering inwards towards the rear of the garden.

Mr Hadley, the applicant's agent, spoke in support of the application. He acknowledged that there had been some concern from local residents with parking in the area, some of which was from local businesses. He stated that Kent County Council Highways and Transportation had been happy with the parking arrangements and the 3 spaces on the site were above the standard required for a property of this size. Mr Hadley also stated that there was a variety of house types in the surrounding area.

A representative from Iwade Parish Council explained that parking in the area was a daily problem, and this was from local residents, not local businesses. He raised concern as to whether three cars could park on the hardstanding in front of the proposed property.

In response to a query from a Member (also a Ward Member), the Planner showed where the parking would be.

Members then toured the site with officers.

Chairman

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