

Supplementary Report of the Chairman on the work of the Planning Committee

The Planning Committee met on 19 October 2016 and this report gives an overview of the items considered by the Committee at that meeting.

1. The October meeting dealt with two planning applications and one item of urgent business. There was no public speaking on any item. The items considered by the Committee are set out below.
2. This first application related to Harper Home, 29-31 Fordbridge Road, Ashford (16/01120/CLD). The application was for a Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use as 20 self-contained residential flats, including 2 units within a single storey building located to the rear of the site. The Planning Committee resolved to approve the application.
3. The second item concerned three consultations from Surrey County Council relating to Queen Mary Reservoir, Ashford Road, Ashford and land to the west of the Reservoir. The three applications were as follows: 16/01164/SCRVC – Extension of time limit to remove the breakwater baffle to be extended to 22 October 2018, 16/01195/SCRVC – Extension of time to relocate the processing plant for recycling operation and 16/01196/SCRVC – Extension of time to use the existing plant for processing imported gravel. The Committee raised no objections to any of the three consultations.
4. The urgent item of business related to an Enforcement Notice 07/00075/ENF for 2a School Road, Ashford and sought the approval of the Planning Committee to take direct action to secure the demolition of the unauthorised out-building to the rear of the dwelling house. The Planning Committee approved the request to take direct action to achieve compliance with the Notice and the County Court Injunction.

Councillor Richard Smith-Ainsley

Chairman of Planning Committee

20 October 2016