

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING  
COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> NOV 2012 AT THE PARISH ROOM AT 7.00pm**

**Present:** Councillor's M Kemp (Chair) M Pemble S Hooper N Kenton  
A Barwick B Read S Mitchell J Gardiner

Clerk to the Council Sarah Wells 2 Member of the Public

**1. APOLOGIES**

Cllr S Shevde

The members of the public were asked if they wished to make any additional comments. They declined so the meeting was not closed for comments from the public.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

Cllr Mitchell declared an Other Significant Interest in applications 00758 & 00759 as his property backs onto the application site.

**3. PLANNING APPLICATION**

**a) Applications**

To discuss and make comment on planning application received from DDC for consultation

**i) DOV/12/00758**

**Proposal:** Change of use and conversion to a residential care home

**Location:** The Bull Inn, High Street, Eastry, Sandwich, CT13 0HF

**ii) DOV/12/00759**

**Proposal :** Conversion to a residential care home and associated internal alterations

**Location:** The Bull PH, High Street, Eastry, CT13 0HF

Members of the local community had been able to attend two meetings to discuss their views on these applications with members of the Council, the Planning meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct, this had also been attended by the Applicant and the Parish Council had held a public meeting at the Village Hall on 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2012.

The pros and cons of the applications and their affect on the local community were discussed in detail.

Cllr Mitchell left the meeting room.

RESOLVED by 5 votes to 2, that application DOV/12/00758 is supported by the Parish Council but that DDC be asked to impose the following conditions should they be minded to pass this application:

- 1) The number of clients is limited to a maximum of six.
- 2) That sufficient parking is provided on the site for staff and visitors, when parking spaces are calculated the need for staff change over should be taken into account.
- 3) The use to be restricted specifically for the care of clients with Korsakov's Syndrome and other related amnesic conditions as per the detail in the application.
- 4) The use be restricted to the care of the most able clients that require the minimal amount of care, this guarantee was stated publicly by the applicants at the meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

Cllr Gardiner requested that the vote be recorded in the minutes. Cllrs Kemp, Barwick, Pemble, Read and Kenton in favour, Cllrs Gardiner and Hooper against.

RESOLVED that application DOV/12/00759 be supported by the Parish Council but that DDC be asked to impose the following conditions should the application be passed: -

- 1) No external signage designating the property as a care home should be permitted. This is important to maintain the street scene and prevent the feeling that the High Street has been taken over by care facilities.
- 2) The external look of the historic property should be preserved. The large windows at the front of the building should be kept.
- 3) Any plans for the garden should enhance the street scene.

The members would like to see the removal of the external lights; these have only been in place for a relatively short time and are not in keeping with the age and history of the building.

Cllr Mitchell returned to the meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.29pm