

Planning and Licensing Committee

Held at:	Council Chamber - Civic Centre, Folkestone
Date	Tuesday, 17 December 2019
Present	Councillors Miss Susan Carey (In place of Mrs Jennifer Hollingsbee), John Collier, Gary Fuller, Clive Goddard (Chairman), Jim Martin, Connor McConville, Jackie Meade, Ian Meyers, Georgina Treloar and David Wimble
Apologies for Absence	Councillor Danny Brook, Councillor Mrs Jennifer Hollingsbee and Councillor Philip Martin
Officers Present:	Robert Allan (Principal Planning Officer), Louise Daniels (Senior Planning Officer), Sue Lewis (Committee Services Officer) and Lisette Patching (Development and Enforcement Manager)
Others Present:	

42. **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Jackie Meade declared a other significant interest in respect of minute 47 – 5 Radnor Park Crescent, Folkestone as she was speaking on the application on behalf of Folkestone Town Council and has met with local residents. She left the meeting during discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor Georgina Treloar declared a voluntary announcement in respect of minute 47 – 5 Radnor Park Crescent, Folkestone as she is a resident of Radnor Park Crescent. She remained in the meeting during discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor Ms Susan Carey declared a voluntary announcement in minute 45 – Royal Victoria Hospital, Folkestone in that she is known to the applicant. She remained in the meeting during discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor David Wimble declared a voluntary announcement in minute 45 – Royal Victoria Hospital, Folkestone in that he is known to the applicant. He remained in the meeting during discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor Gary Fuller declared a voluntary announcement in minute 45 – Royal Victoria Hospital, Folkestone in that he is known to the applicant and served on Sandgate Parish Council. He remained in the meeting during discussion and voting on this item.

Councillor Clive Goddard declared a voluntary announcement in minute 45 – Royal Victoria Hospital, Folkestone in that he is known to the applicant. He remained in the meeting during discussion and voting on this item.

43. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 November 2019 were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

44. **Minutes of the Licensing Sub-Committee**

The minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2019 were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

45. **Y12/0980/SH - Royal Victoria Hospital, Radnor Park Avenue, Folkestone CT19 5BN**

Hybrid application comprising a full planning application for the change of use, conversion and part demolition of the main former Royal Victoria Hospital building to provide 18 residential units and associated parking, together with an outline application for the redevelopment of the remaining parts of the site, including demolition of outbuildings to provide up to 26 houses and associated car parking with all matters reserved for future consideration.

Mr C J Mackenny, local resident spoke against the application.
Councillor M Lawes spoke on the application, on behalf of Folkestone Town Council.
Leo Griggs, applicant spoke in support of the application.

Proposed by Councillor Ms Susan Carey
Seconded by Councillor David Wimble and

Resolved:

That planning permission be granted subject to the conditions set out at the end of the report and the applicant entering into a S106 legal agreement securing £195,000 as a commuted sum toward off-site affordable housing and £5,000 toward the provision of a shelter at the Radnor Park bus stop and that delegated authority be given to the Chief Planning Officer to agree and finalise the wording of the conditions and the legal agreement and add any other conditions that he considers necessary.

(Voting: For 10; Against 0; Abstentions 0)

46. **Y18/1073/FH - Land 85 Metres South Grace Cottage, Hoad Road, Swingfield**

Change of use of land for the stationing of two caravans for gypsies.

The Senior Planning Officer advised members of typos in paragraph 7.2 of the officer's report which should read as follows:

a) Local plan policy position

7.2 The Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GTAA) was completed in August 2018 and identified a need for 5 x permanent residential pitches and 3-5 transient pitches in the district. An additional pitch was subsequently granted planning permission on an existing site in Brenzett (Y18/0303/SH), which reduced the overall permanent need to 4x pitches.

The Development and Enforcement Management requested an amendment to recommendation b)i) to include 'structures' because a wooden shed type structure has recently been erected on the site.

Paul Wood, local resident spoke against the application.
Councillor T Hutt, on behalf of Swingfield Parish Council spoke on the application.

Proposed by Councillor Ms Susan Carey
Seconded by Councillor Jim Martin and

Resolved:

- a) That planning permission be refused for the reasons set out at the end of the report.**

(Voting: For 10; Against 0; Abstentions 0)

Proposed by Councillor Ms Susan Carey
Seconded by Councillor Jim Martin and

Resolved:

- b)i) That delegated authority be given to the Chief Planning Officer to serve an Enforcement Notice requiring the cessation of the residential use and the removal of the caravans, hardsurfacing, fencing including posts and gravel boards, portaloo, structures, vehicles and all other equipment and paraphernalia on the site, including any new additions.**
- ii) That the Chief Planning Officer be given delegated authority to determine the exact wording of the Notice.**

- iii) **That the period of compliance with the Notice be (twelve) 12 months.**
- iv) **That the Assistant Director - Governance, Law & Regulatory Services be authorised to take such steps as are necessary, including legal proceedings, to secure compliance with the Notice.**

(Voting: For 10; Against 0; Abstentions 0)

47. **Y19/0979/FH - 5 Radnor Park Crescent Folkestone Kent CT19 5AS**

Change of use from 6-person HMO (House in Multiple Occupation) (Use Class C4) to 7-person HMO (Sui-Generis).

Councillor Meade on behalf of Folkestone Town Council spoke on the application.

Mr G Caldow, applicant spoke in support of the application.

Proposed by Councillor David Wimble
Seconded by Councillor Ian Meyers and

Resolved:

That planning permission be granted subject to the conditions set out at the end of the report and that delegated authority be given to the Chief Planning Officer to agree and finalise the wording of the conditions and add any other conditions that he considers necessary.

(Voting: For 6; Against 2; Abstentions 1)