

Agenda

Planning Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday, 25 May 2023

Time 7.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, ME10 3HT*

Membership:

To be confirmed following Annual Council on 17 May 2023.

Quorum = 6

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2. Apologies for Absence

3. Declarations of Interest

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The Chair will ask Members if they have any disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) or disclosable non-pecuniary interests (DNPIs) to declare in respect of items on the agenda. Members with a DPI in an item must leave the room for that item and may not participate in the debate or vote.

Aside from disclosable interests, where a fair-minded and informed observer would think there was a real possibility that a Member might be biased or predetermined on an item, the Member should declare this and leave the room while that item is considered.

Members who are in any doubt about interests, bias or predetermination should contact the monitoring officer for advice prior to the meeting.

4. Minutes

To approve the [Minutes](#) of the Meeting held on 13 April 2023 (Minute Nos. 817 – 823) as a correct record, subject to an amendment to Minute No. 822, item 2.3, to read:

The committee also resolved unanimously that the twin application 23/500857/HYBRID be delegated to officers for approval on similar terms to item 2.3.

Part B reports for the Planning Committee to decide

5. Deferred Item 5 - 28
- To consider the following application:
- 21/505041/OUT Land North of Lower Road, Eastchurch, Kent
- Members of the public are advised to confirm with Planning Services prior to the meeting that the application will be considered at this meeting.
- Requests to speak on this item must be registered with Democratic Services (democraticservices@swale.gov.uk or call us on 01795 417328) by noon on Wednesday 24 May 2023.
6. Report of the Head of Planning Services 29 - 142
- To consider the attached report (Parts 2, 3 and 5).
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7. Exclusion of the Press and Public
- To decide whether to pass the resolution set out below in respect of the following items:
- That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 5 and 7.
- 5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
 - 7. Information relation to any action in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.
8. Report of the Head of Planning Services 143 - 148
- To consider the attached report (Part 6).

Issued on Tuesday, 16 May 2023

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