

RAMSGATE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the **PLANNING AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE** duly convened and held
in

the Council Chamber, Albion House, Albion Place, Ramsgate on 28 September 2009

Present: Councillors Doyle, Kirby, Moore, O'Donnell and Poole.

Eileen Richford, Senior Democratic Services Officer, TDC

12/09 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Green.

13/09 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

14/09 **MINUTES**

To minutes of the meeting held on 27 July 2009 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 7 September 2009 were agreed and signed by the Chairman following an amendment to reflect Councillor Poole's attendance at the meeting.

15/09 **RAMSGATE CONSERVATION AREA ACTION GROUP**

The Committee agreed that, as a member of the Action Group was unable to attend, another date would be decided upon and Members advised.

16/09 **HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT ADVISOR, TDC**

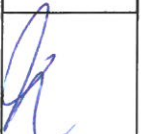
Nick Dermott, the Heritage Development Advisor, TDC, was in attendance to give Members information regarding the Ramsgate Conservation Area.

Nick advised that the Ramsgate Conservation Area is the biggest in Kent with the 'old' Ramsgate borough, which included Minster and Cliffsend, having approximately 960 listed buildings. Members were provided with a map of Ramsgate which indicated the Conservation area and location of Listed buildings.

Listed building grades are 2, 2* and 1. Grade 2 is given to a building which has local interest, Grade 2* national interest and Grade 1 for buildings of international interest. Examples of Grade 2* were given as the Italianate Greenhouses which are located in King George V and the Montefiore Synagogue. An example of a Grade 1 Listed building was given as St Lawrence Church.

Grants could be applied for from English Heritage for work on buildings but match funding needed to be available in order to receive a grant. The type of match funding, which did not necessarily mean 'cash', depended on the scheme. English Heritage has the authority to serve and enforce repairs notices on owners of properties which have been allowed to fall into disrepair.

A successful scheme for Ramsgate was noted as the 'Seven Squares' scheme. This involved residential 'Squares', for example Arklow, Camden, La Belle Alliance and Liverpool Lawn where residents were taking 'ownership' of the Square and looking after them i.e. garden maintenance. Residents had been consulted on what they would want for their particular Square and the responses were varied but included;

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- Parking
- Railings to be reinstated
- An area for the public to use
- Public Art

The next stage was to put in a bid for Lottery funding. However, this had been delayed as the Lottery Officer had left the post and they were awaiting a replacement.

It was agreed that Nick would attend a further meeting of the Committee, when the Town Clerk had been appointed, and that the Resident Associations and the Seven Squares groups would be invited to send representatives. Nick would give a further briefing regarding the Ramsgate Conservation Area.

17/09 RECEIPT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved that applications be dealt with as detailed below:

(i) **No objection** was raised on the following;

F/TH/09/0646	28 – 38 Margate Road, Ramsgate, CT11 7SG
F/TH/09/0693	Mallisden, Haine Road, Ramsgate, CT12 5QA
F/TH/09/0679	Flat 3, Regency Court, St Augustine's Road, Ramsgate, CT11 9PN
L/TH/09/0701	Ramsgate Railway Station, Station Approach, Ramsgate, CT11 7RE
OL/TH/09/0699	Former Garages (Adj. 82-90), Chichester Road, Ramsgate, CT12 6NZ

The Committee noted that all Members would be advised of any further applications received in the coming week (Tuesday 29 September – Sunday 4 October 2009). If reserved by 10am on Monday 5 October an Extraordinary meeting of the Committee would be held at 6.30pm on that evening prior to the meeting of full Council to consider the reserved applications.

The meeting concluded at 8.15pm.


Chairman – 26 October 2009