



FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 16th MAY 2023 AT 6.30PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL HALL, FRESHWATER.

PRESENT: Councillors D Hicklin (Chair), A Bamford, B Hobbs, C Bray, D James, N Thomas, E Cox, G Kennett, C Jarman, L Becker, K Fosbury, J Medland (not taking part in a voting capacity due to role as Chairman of the IWC Planning Committee). E Roberts.

Members of the Public:
Clerk: H Rowell

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1. **APOLOGIES:**
Councillors B Hinton MBE
 2. **TO INVITE CLLRS TO DECLARE ANY INTEREST THEY MIGHT HAVE IN THE MATTERS ON THE AGENDA.**
Cllrs Cox and Jarman declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application 23/00680/FUL as current members of the LPA's Planning Committee.
 3. **TO INVITE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON A PLANNING APPLICATION ON THE AGENDA, AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION.**
None
 4. **TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD ON 2nd MAY 2023**
The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd May 2023 (having been circulated) were agreed, (AB /GK).
 5. **UPDATES FROM LAST MEETING AND IWC PLANNING DECISIONS.**
Approvals

23/00419/HOU. Cromdale Afton Road Freshwater.
Demolition of conservatory, garage and shed; proposed single storey side and rear extensions.

23/00469/HOU. Criffel Brooklyn Gardens, Freshwater.
Proposed single storey front extension; veranda to side elevation; alterations.

23/00538/RVC. 18 Golden Ridge, Freshwater.

Variation of condition 2 on 22/01773/HOU to allow inclusion of vaulted ceiling and 2no velux windows to kitchen.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DISCUSSED (AT TIME OF SENDING OUT NOTICE).

23/00680/FUL. Albion Hotel, Gate Lane, Freshwater Bay.

Proposed landscape alterations to form terrace.

Freshwater Parish Council object to this application for the following reasons:

It will block access to the western beach for emergency vehicles, and to those with disabilities or challenges walking to both, making the area unsafe and reducing the utility and enjoyment of the beach for locals and visitors alike.

The land is owned by the public realm and used continuously by locals and visitors throughout the year. As the terrace is for use by hotel residents only the scheme would greatly reduce the utility of the publicly owned area for the public.

The parish council support the comments made by Island Roads and Public Rights of Way who raised objections to this application.

If the planning authority is minded to approve this application the parish council request that conditions are in place that improve the footpath and safety/access of the proposed design to the western end of the beach.

Planning Meeting Closed 6.52 pm.