

MINUTES of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on **Wednesday 30 January 2019** at **9.15am**.

PRESENT: Cllr A Smith (Chairman) Cllr Jon Garfield
Cllr S Bird Cllr M Jepson
Cllr S Gallant (*to item 452*) Cllr D Savage
Cllr Jan Garfield

OFFICERS: Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)
Mrs S Morrison (Planning Administration Assistant)

IN ATTENDANCE: One member of the public

444. PUBLIC QUESTION

The Chairman advised that he would invite the member of the public to make his representation during the SCDC Local Plan Final Draft Consultation item.

445. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr N Barber, Cllr G Newman,** and **Cllr K Williams.**

Cllr S Gallant gave apologies in advance of having to leave the meeting early at 12.00pm.

446. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Member(s)	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Gallant Cllr D Savage Cllr A Smith	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as Members of Suffolk Coastal District Council)
Cllr S Bird	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as a Member of Suffolk County Council)

447. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

There were no requests for dispensation.

448. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 16 January 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

449. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Committee considered the following planning applications received since the last meeting and **RESOLVED** to submit the following observations to Suffolk Coastal District Council:

a	DC/19/0042/VOC Variation of condition 3 of DC/18/2502/FUL - Extension to lorry park to provide 36 bays - Re-wording of the condition to allow the asset register to be submitted, in the required form, to and agreed by the local planning authority following completion of the approved surface water drainage works and to avoid the requirements for another discharge of condition at a later date. Former Routemaster Hotel And Offices Walton
Committee NOTED the application for a Variation of Conditions.	

b	DC/19/0001/FUL Proposed rear kitchen and lounge extension and internal alteration to form an additional bath room. 5 Stuart Close
Committee recommended APPROVAL	

c	DC/19/0138/TCA T1 and T2 Downy Birch - reduce by 2.5m and laterals by 1-1.5m. T3 and T4 - Pines, reduce height by a third. St Johns Court Princes Road
Committee had NO OBJECTIONS to the proposed works subject to the guidance of the District Council's Arboricultural Officer	

d	DC/19/0095/TCA To sectionally fell and remove Cherry Plum Tree from the far right hand corner of the rear garden. Crown raise Cherry plum in the centre of the rear garden. This tree looks to be an old Coppice which is showing signs of heavy decay. 100 Ranelagh Road
Committee had NO OBJECTIONS to the proposed works subject to the guidance of the District Council's Arboricultural Officer	

e	<p>DC/19/0033/TCA To fell three number self-seeded Sycamores adjacent to garage wall and rear parking area. Trees causing structural issues with garage.</p> <p>Albany Villas Undercliff Road West</p>
<p>Committee had NO OBJECTIONS to the proposed works subject to the guidance of the District Council’s Arboricultural Officer</p>	

450. PLANNING DECISIONS

RESOLVED that the decisions received from Suffolk Coastal District Council since the date of the previous agenda and up until the date of the agenda for this meeting be noted.

451. SCDC LOCAL PLAN FINAL DRAFT CONSULTATION

At the direction of the Chairman, Committee heard from the member of the public attending noting concerns regarding developments near to AONBs and the heritage coast. He considered that a formal response should be made in this regard.

The Clerk briefed Committee on the nature of this third consultation stage and confirmed that the Council’s representation at this stage should only be made in relation to the legal compliance and the soundness of the Final Draft Local Plan

Members noted that the Final Draft Local Plan had incorporated a number changes recommended by the Council at the First Draft stage. However, there were several issues that had not been addressed to the satisfaction of the Committee. The Clerk was requested to summarise these outstanding points and incorporate these in to a draft response for consideration at the next meeting for final consideration.

RESOLVED that the Clerk summarise Members’ concerns as to the overall soundness of the Suffolk Coastal Local Plan Final Draft; and, incorporate these in to a draft response to the consultation for consideration at the next meeting.

At this point, it being 12.00pm, Cllr S Gallant left the meeting.

452. EDF ENERGY SIZEWELL C CONSULTATION

Committee noted that the Town Clerk and Cllr G Newman had attended the Sizewell C town & parishes event on 22nd January 2019.

The Clerk reported that EDF Energy were now leaning towards a road and rail-led transport strategy for moving materials and freight, whereas in the previous two stages they had stated a preference for marine and rail-led. Committee were advised that freight management facilities were therefore being proposed at sites adjacent to the A14, either at Innocence farm or near Seven Hills. Noting that the deadline for responding to the consultation was the 29th March 2019, Committee

agreed that the consultation document should be carried forward to the next meeting on 13th February for further discussion.

RESOLVED that this item be carried over to the next meeting on 13th February 2019 for further consideration.

453. CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee approved the Proposed Diversion of Footpath 34 (path) Felixstowe put forward in a consultative letter from Andrew Rogers, SCC Rights of Way Access through Morrisons Supermarket Car Park.

It was noted that East Anglia 1 & 2 consultative documents relating to Wind Farms off Lowestoft had been received.

454. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 12.07 am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 13 February 2019, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____