

MINUTES of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on **Wednesday 17 July 2019** at **9.15am**.

PRESENT: Cllr A Smith (Chairman) Cllr M Morris
Cllr S Bird (Vice Chairman) Cllr D Savage
Cllr S Bennett Cllr K Williams (*to item 135*)
Cllr S Gallant

OFFICERS: Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE: 1 Member of the public
Cllr Darren Aitchison

128. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

The Chairman advised that he would invite members of the public to make their representations immediately prior to the application being considered.

129. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr M Jepson** and **Cllr S Wiles**.

Apologies for needing to leave the meeting at 11am were received from **Cllr K Williams**.

130. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Member(s)	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Gallant	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as Members of East Suffolk Council)
Cllr S Bird	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as a Member of Suffolk County Council)
Cllr A Smith	133(n)	Pecuniary (as near neighbour to the subject property)

Having declared that his interest was pecuniary in nature, Cllr A Smith advised that he would leave the Chamber before any discussion and throughout the consideration of that item.

131. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 3 July 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

132. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Chairman invited the member of the public to address the Committee. Committee noted concerns on item 133(a) below relating to loss of privacy, noise disturbance and design.

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

a	DC/19/2584/FUL Conversion of pitched lean-to roof to flat roof terrace over entrance porch/lobby. Access from main bedroom and first floor landing. Ridley House Maybush Lane
Committee recommended REFUSAL. The proposed balustrading represents a significant change to the character of this iconic building in the Conservation Area. Moreover, the proposed balcony to the eastern elevation would have an unacceptable detrimental impact on the residential amenity to the neighbouring Vernon Villa, resulting in a loss of privacy and intrusive noise.	
b	DC/19/2510/FUL Proposed Extensions to Existing garage and external works including swimming pool, pool house, steps & landscaping Soundings Golf Road
Given the fact of frequent collapses of the cliff frontage at this area, particularly since 1986, Committee considers it essential that a Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessment is undertaken before the proposed swimming pool is approved, as per para 9.33 of the emerging Suffolk Coastal Local Plan. As such, Committee recommended APPROVAL, subject to the Coastal Management Team considering whether a Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessment is required.	
c	DC/19/2304/FUL Proposed new dwelling (incorporating existing garage) 1 Sudbury Road
Committee recommended REFUSAL. The proposal provides insufficient amenity space, inadequate parking provision for the new dwelling and a loss of parking for the host property. It would impact on highway visibility, presenting a hazard to traffic safety and is not in keeping with the street scene.	

d	<p>DC/19/2611/VOC Variation of Conditions 2 & 3 on DC/17/4377/FUL - The proposal is to move the location of the cycle store from the north rear side of the property as permitted in DC/17/4377/FUL to the south rear side of the property</p> <p>Lindley House 28 Leopold Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</p>	
e	<p>DC/19/2609/FUL Two storey side extension including internal and external alterations plus new garage to replace existing</p> <p>46 Glemsford Close</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</p>	
f	<p>DC/19/2566/FUL Two storey side infill extension and alterations</p> <p>12 Westmorland Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</p>	
g	<p>DC/19/2545/FUL Installation of new shopfront sashwork, entrance doors, glazing (to include manifestation dots to inside face of glazing), new internal security shutter behind entrance doors, install lower fascia band and anti pigeon wire to top of fascia sign.</p> <p>Savers 89 Hamilton Road</p>
<p>Committee noted that this application had been WITHDRAWN.</p>	
h	<p>DC/19/2544/ADI Illuminated Advertisement Consent - Installation of new company branded signage, consisting of: 1 x Internally illuminated projecting sign and 1 x internally illuminated fascia sign.</p> <p>Savers 89 Hamilton Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended REFUSAL. The current signage is non-illuminated and internally illuminated signage is not appropriate in this location, being one of the earliest examples of classic Felixstowe heritage in the Conservation Area, contrary to SPG14.</p>	
i	<p>DC/19/2588/ADI Illuminated Advertisement Consent - Installation of exterior halo lit signage. Installation of exterior floodlights. Installation of under balcony spot lights</p> <p>Units 2 To 16 Darrell Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended REFUSAL as there was no information supplied as to the design and location of the proposed signage or lights. Committee requested that this be resubmitted with full details.</p>	

j	DC/19/2560/ADN Non Illuminated Advertisement Consent - New Fascia, Projecting and ATM signage to new NBS branding. 72 Hamilton Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

k	DC/19/2559/FUL - Replacement of existing Fascia, projecting and ATM signage, works to include the preparation and decoration of existing shopfront and replacement of existing ATM and surround. 72 Hamilton Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

i	DC/19/2109/FUL Demolition of garage and conservatory. Remove gable to side elevation and hips to front and rear. Erect extension to lounge. Convert roof void to bedrooms to bedrooms + bathroom. Erect garage / Workshop. Erect 3 no cables to bungalow 28 Colneis Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

m	DC/19/2718/TPO T1 Sweet Chestnut (behind flats) - reduce by 3m. and prune in sides by 2.5m. to remove risk of contact with building, and allow more light to shading. 21 Tower Road
Committee had NO OBJECTION to the work proposed subject to the guidance of the East Suffolk Council's Arboricultural Officer.	

At this point, 10.45am, Cllr A Smith left the meeting.

n	DC/19/2356/TPO Holm Oak in rear garden by summerhouse- Shorten laterals by 20-30%, reshape crown and balance to reduce shading of garden and summerhouse. 19 Foxgrove Lane
Committee had NO OBJECTION to the work proposed subject to the guidance of the East Suffolk Council's Arboricultural Officer.	

At this point, 10.47am, Cllr A Smith returned.

133. PLANNING DECISIONS

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

At this point, 11.05am, Cllr K Williams left the meeting.

134. SUFFOLK COASTAL LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION

Committee considered a number of Felixstowe-related queries put to East Suffolk Council by the Planning Inspector in advance of the public hearings.

RESOLVED that any representations from the Town Council should be finalised at the next meeting.

135. SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE (SID)

The Chairman invited Cllr D Aitchison to speak to the Committee about Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs). Committee considered the principle of the Town Council acquiring and utilising up to 2 SIDs as traffic calming measures in various locations around the town.

RESOLVED that Cllr Aitchison be invited to look further into the matter and report back to the Committee on the viability of installing up to two SIDs and their possible locations in the town.

136. SIZEWELL C STAGE 4 BRIEFING

The Clerk advised that there was to be a briefing by East Suffolk Council and Suffolk Council on the Sizewell C Stage 4 consultation and the Town Council had been invited to send up to two representatives.

It was noted that Cllr G Newman sat on the Joint Local Authority Group and was willing to attend in his capacity as a Town Councillor.

RESOLVED that Cllr A Smith and Cllr G Newman attend the ESC/SCC briefing on the Sizewell C Stage 4 consultation on Friday 26 July 2019 as the Town Council's representatives.

137. CORRESPONDENCE

Committee noted the following correspondence received:

i. DC/19/1820/FUL - Proposed new bungalow- Land Adjacent 53 Wentworth Drive.

The Clerk advised that this application, which had been recommended for refusal by the Committee, had been referred to East Suffolk Council's Planning Committee for determination. The Clerk had requested to be advised of the meeting date and would keep Members updated.

- ii. **Appeal Reference APP/J3530/X/18/3216462, Unit 11, Haven Exchange**
The Clerk advised that an appeal had been made to the Secretary of State by Orwell Truck Stop against East Suffolk Council's refusal of application DC/18/2642/CLE for Distribution Centre.

138. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 12.17 am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 31 July 2019, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____