

**MINUTES of a PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held
ONLINE on Wednesday 13 January 2021 at 9.15am**

PRESENT: Cllr S Bird (Chairman) Cllr M Jepson
Cllr A Smith (Vice-Chairman) Cllr M Morris
Cllr S Bennett Cllr D Savage
Cllr S Gallant Cllr S Wiles (*to item 411*)

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

403. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

None

404. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr K Williams**. Committee recorded its condolences to Cllr Williams.

Apologies were given by Cllr S Wiles in advance of having to leave at 11am to attend to other business.

405. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Member(s)	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Gallant Cllr M Jepson	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as Members of East Suffolk Council)
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Wiles	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as a Member of Suffolk County Council)

As no Pecuniary declarations were made, there were no requests for dispensation.

406. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 16 December 2020 be confirmed as a true record.

**407. COMMENTS TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED UNDER
DELEGATED POWERS**

Committee noted comments made to East Suffolk Council in accordance with delegated authority for applications received since the date of the previous agenda with a deadline for response prior to the date of this meeting.

408. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

A	<p>DC/20/5078/FUL New Build Workshop Facility, Modular Office Unit, and alterations to existing workshop to include commercial workshop and wash facility with Authorised Testing Facility, MOT Services and DVSA Test Station. 1-2 Hodgkinson Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL and welcome this much needed facility providing high quality employment.</p>	
B	<p>DC/20/5079/ADI Illuminated Advertisement Consent - Various signs as detailed in document by ProLicht 1-2 Hodgkinson Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL</p>	
C	<p>DC/20/5093/FUL Two storey and single storey rear extensions following demolition of single storey rear projection and conservatory. 30 Brook Lane</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL. Committee considered the relationship of the two storey extension to the neighbouring property and considered it to be acceptable.</p>	
D	<p>DC/20/5119/FUL Construction of a two storey rear extension. 175 Grange Road</p> <p>Committee recommended REFUSAL. The proposed cladding materials would be incongruous with the local character and distinctiveness of this and the neighbouring dwellings, contrary to SCLP 11.1(b). The proposals would also lead to a development that is not in keeping with the scale and character of the building within the surroundings, contrary to SCLP 11.1(c)iii in relation to height and massing and SCLP 11.2 (e) in respect of its physical relationship with other properties.</p> <p>We are also concerned about the impact on the access to daylight and sunlight to neighbour's bedroom window, with reference to SCLP11.2(c) and SPG 16.</p>

E	DC/20/5177/FUL Ground floor extension together with first floor side extension over the rear of the double garage. Foundations have been dug and poured for the ground floor extension under permitted development. 7 Eastcliff
	Committee recommended APPROVAL. Committee asked that consideration be given to adding a pitched roof to the garage.
F	DC/20/5137/FUL Side extension 29 Norman Close
	Committee recommended APPROVAL
G	DC/20/5194/FUL First Floor Side Extension 47 Links Avenue
	Committee recommended APPROVAL
H	DC/20/5087/FUL Single story side extension 63 Langer Road
	Committee recommended APPROVAL

409. 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.

410. HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

The Clerk gave a brief outline of the ESC Historic Environment Supplementary Planning Document relating to the preservation of historic buildings and heritage areas within East Suffolk. Members welcomed the documents and found it to be very informative. Committee was interested to find out more about the implementation of the document and its practical application when considering relevant planning proposals. It was suggested that any heritage site should have a conservation officer's report concerning in any future building project. The Clerk agreed to contact ESC for the availability of hard copies of the document.

RESOLVED the Clerk would respond to the consultation to confirm that the Committee consider the SPD to be very thorough and comprehensive, covering every aspect it would expect and, as such, fully endorse it.

At this point, 11.00am, Cllr S Wiles left the meeting.

411. SIZEWELL C PROJECT APPLICATION UPDATE

The Clerk outlined the invitation from the Planning Inspector to attend the Sizewell C virtual hearings.

It was RESOLVED that Cllr A Smith be registered to attend the virtual hearings as the Committee's representative.

412. CORRESPONDENCE

The Town Clerk reported the following under correspondence:

- i) Bloor Homes presentation of the proposals for Land at North Walton. The Committee were pleased have received a copy of the presentation and notes following the online meeting. Chairman highlighted that the Council's formal response to the proposals would be considered once the Reserved Matters application had been submitted.
- ii) Consultation on SCC Suffolk Street Design. Committee noted the consultation which would run until 10 February and asked that the Clerk bring this to the next Committee meeting for formal consideration.
- iii) Natural England Coastal Path Report. Committee noted that Natural England had submitted its final report and recommendations on the Felixstowe Ferry to Bawdsey stretch of the Coast Path to the Secretary of State. Given that the Committee had previously considered and approved of the proposals, it was agreed that the Clerk should share the information with all Members and, unless there were any new material matters raised before the next agenda, would not submit a further response.
- iv) A letter received by the Town Hall requesting the Committee place more consideration into trying to ensure mature trees are retained, as these were valuable mature habitations for many wild creatures.

413. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 11.23am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 27 January 2021, 9.15am.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____