MINUTES of the PLANS COMMITTEE meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on Wednesday 11 March 2015 at 9.15am

PRESENT: Cllr M Stokell (Vice Chairman in the Chair) Cllr J Sennington

Cllr D Savage (Deputy Mayor) Cllr Jon Garfield

Cllr K Williams (from item 545) Cllr S Bird

OFFICERS: Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)

Mrs R Jones (Estates Officer)

541. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M Deacon, Cllr M Morris, Cllr A Smith and Cllr C Webb. Apologies for lateness were received from Cllr K Williams.

542. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS

The following declarations of Councillors' interests were made:

Member	Minute No.	Nature of Interest	
Cllr S Bird	545	Local Non-Pecuniary (Suffolk Coastal District Council Member)	
Cllr D Savage	545	Local Non-Pecuniary (Suffolk Coastal District Council Member)	
Cllr J Sennington	545	Local Non-Pecuniary (Suffolk Coastal District Council Member)	
Cllr K Williams	545	Local Non-Pecuniary (Suffolk Coastal District Council Member)	

543. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

544. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was RESOLVED that:

The Minutes of the Plans Committee Meeting held on 25 February 2015 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Cllr K Williams arrived at 9.20am

545. 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/15/0456/FUL | Removal of lobby construction, erection extension to link dining/playroom and kitchen. Provided doors leading off kitchen to garden at 18 Quilter Road, Felixstowe.

b) DC/15/0481/FUL | Proposed Bay window at 17 Victoria Road, Felixstowe

Committee recommended APPROVAL.

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c) DC/15/0564/FUL | Construction of dwelling for single occupation at Part Rear Garden, Alexandra House, 94 High Road West, Felixstowe.

Committee recommended REFUSAL. Committee believes that the scale and size of the proposed property, much larger than as proposed in the outline permission, is inappropriate for the size of the plot and is contrary to Development Management Policy DM7.

DC/15/0581/FUL | The application is for a proposed seating shelter (referred to as the Southcliff Shelter) located within the Town Hall
 d) Gardens in Felixstowe. It is submitted on behalf of Suffolk Coastal District Council who are the site owners at Proposed Seating Shelter, Wolsey Gardens, Felixstowe.

Committee recommended APPROVAL and welcomed the traditional design of the shelter which will complement the Town Hall Gardens.

e)

DC/15/0706/FUL | Proposed changes of use from Tea Rooms to
Function Room & Additional Letting Room, plus a First Floor Extension
and demolition of conservatory. All for use in conjunction with The
Fludyers Hotel adjacent at Cotman Hall, Undercliff Road East,
Felixstowe.

Committee recommended APPROVAL. Committee would like to see the use of reclaimed Suffolk red brick in the rebuilt Dutch gable wall, in keeping with the original wall.

f)

DC/15/0600/TPO | T19 described as Holm Oak but is a mature Bay Laurel – Fell to reduce excess shading and suppression of adjacent trees. Reshape (T20) variegated holly (reduce length of branches to north and west to re-establish symmetrical canopy spread of 3 metres diameter, and allow normal development once dominant (T19) removed. Only branches extending beyond new canopy will be pruned, height unaffected) at Linwood, 3 Tyndale Gardens, Felixstowe

Committee recommended APPROVAL.

546. FELIXSTOWE PENINSULA AREA ACTION PLAN

Committee noted that following the 4 March 2015 Extraordinary Council Meeting, the Town Council had submitted its response to the Felixstowe Peninsula Area Action Plan Issues & Options consultation on 6th March 2015.

547. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) DC/14/3418 | amended Plans Erection of a single storey side extension with and two storey rear extension, following demolition of part of structure at The Gatehouse, Maybush Lane, Felixstowe. Committee recommended REFUSAL. In view of the Committee's previous comments to this application and the near total demolition of the original property, Committee call upon the District Council Enforcement Officers to consider whether there has been a breach of planning permission in this case and, if so, legal proceedings should be considered. Committee look forward to receiving notice from the District Council of the actions to be taken in this matter.
- b) DC/14/4021/FUL | amended Plans Change of use to A1 use as Funeral Directors and associated works at 225 High Street, Walton, Felixstowe.
 Committee has no further comment on this application until such a time as more detail is formally included regarding plans for the adjacent toilet block and shared access to the rear of the site, in view of the fact that the owner of the property has indicated in their supporting correspondence that such access could be granted in the near future.

548. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 10.51am. The date of the next meeting was noted
as being Wednesday 25 March 2015 at 9.15am.

Date:	Chairman:	