

**MINUTES of a PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held at
TOWN HALL, Felixstowe, on Wednesday 3 May 2023 at 9.15am**

PRESENT: Cllr S Bird (Chairman) Cllr D Savage
 Cllr A Smith (Vice-Chairman) Cllr S Wiles
 Cllr M Morris

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

IN ATTENDANCE: 2 members of the public (1 via Zoom).

529. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

None.

530. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from, **Cllr S Bennett, Cllr S Gallant, Cllr M Jepson and Cllr K Williams.**

531. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Member(s)	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Wiles	All	Other registerable interests (as Members of East Suffolk Council)
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Wiles	All	Other registerable interests (as a Members of Suffolk County Council)

532. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 19 April 2023 be confirmed as a true record.

533. 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	DC/22/4774/FUL Change of use from Pharmacy to Hot Food take away. Two storey maisonette over existing retail unit.
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Committee recommended REFUSAL. We have concerns as to the impact of the hot food takeaway and its attached extraction equipment in terms of potential noise and odour issues for neighbouring residential units, including the proposed new unit above the shop. We feel that this is contrary to SCLP11.2 para. (d) noise and disturbance and (g) air quality and other forms of pollutions. Committee also have concerns as to the detrimental visual appearance of the proposed extraction flue, due to its scale, we therefore feel this is contrary to SCLP11.1 para. (b).

We also have concerns in terms of parking issues. The introduction of an additional residential unit which has no parking provision will exacerbate already difficult parking issues in this area.

B	DC/23/1449/FUL New French doors replacing small window Flat 1 19 Constable Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

C	DC/23/1356/FUL Retention of antennas installed on roof for ship to shore communication. Wolsey Court Stanley Road
<p>Committee recommended REFUSAL of this application. We object in the strongest terms to the installation of this antennae mast. We note that the applicant had not submitted a Design and Access Statement and makes no reference to this property being within the Conservation Area in any of their documents. We feel that this installation, in a prominent position on the roof of this building in a significant location in the Conservation Area is both visually intrusive and unacceptable. We believe therefore that this contrary to SCLP11.1 para. (b) and (e) and SCLP11.5 para. (a), (b) and (c). We submit two photographs to demonstrate these points.</p>	

534. PLANNING DECISIONS

RESOLVED that the decisions on planning applications by East Suffolk Council notified to the Town Council since the previous meeting be noted.

535. CORRESPONDENCE

Committee NOTED the following correspondence:

- i. Email from Persimmon Homes who were seeking a further meeting with Councillors to outline their plans for the drainage of the site off Candlet Road, the detail of the proposed equipped play areas and information on a Tree Planting Event they were looking to host in October this year with a local school.

Agreed that the Clerk would let Persimmon know that this would be put to the first Committee meeting of the next Council term for consideration.

536. CLOSURE

The Chairman recorded a vote of thanks to Members for their longstanding contribution to the Committee over the years.

Members paid tribute to the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Town Clerk and Planning Assistant for their diligence in supporting the Committee over the term.

The meeting was closed at 10.10am. It was noted that the next meeting was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 24 May 2023 at 9.15am.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____