

**MINUTES of a PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held at
TOWN HALL, Felixstowe, on Wednesday 29 November 2023 at 9.15am**

PRESENT: Cllr S Bird (Chairman)
Cllr M Morris (Vice-Chairman) Cllr A Folley
Cllr J Candy Cllr S Wiles

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

IN ATTENDANCE: 2 members of the public (*in person*)
2 members of the public (*via Zoom*)
Cllr C Franklin (*via Zoom*)

308. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Chairman advised that he would invite representations from members of the public immediately prior to debate on specific applications.

309. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr N Barber, Cllr S Bennett** and **Cllr C Franklin**.

310. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Other Registerable Interests, to which no matters on the agenda were directly related, were noted:

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

Members were advised that, should any matters arise in the meeting that directly relate to any of their interests, they should make appropriate declarations at that time.

311. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 15 November 2023 be confirmed as a true record.

312. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At the direction of the Chairman, item B was moved ahead of item A, below.

Committee heard from the applicant in respect of application B below, confirming the amendment to the original application was to provide a gap between the huts to allow water outfall from the prom adjacent.

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

B	DC/23/2089/FUL The reinstatement of 14 beach huts, previously sited on the promenade, and the erection of associated wooden platforms located on the beach between the shelter and Spa Pavilion. 14 Beach Huts Undercliff Road West
Committee recommended APPROVAL. We are satisfied that this application is policy compliant, specifically in relation to SCLP 12.14 which supports tourist related uses in this location. This approval would be subject to East Suffolk Council granting the necessary licenses for these huts and their being satisfied as to the safety requirements of the installation of the huts.	
A	DC/23/4433/FUL Erection of new agricultural dairy cattle building following demolition of existing open silage clamp. Gulpher Farm Gulpher Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	
C	DC/23/4351/FUL Construction of single storey rear extension and cladding to the front elevation and demolition of existing side/utility extension. 20A Lynwood Avenue
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	
D	DC/23/4427/FUL To change current wooden windows to upvc Flat 1 South Beach Mansion Bent Hill
Committee recommended APPROVAL. However, we recognise that this is a historically significant building in a prominent location. Furthermore, the applicant has not supplied a drawing to show the replacement double doors proposed. We therefore recommend APPROVAL subject to ESC's Design and Conservation Officer being satisfied that all of the proposed door and window replacements are visually like-for-like to match the existing.	

E	DC/23/4411/TCA 5no. Leylandii (marked on plan) - Fell The Cottage Martello Lane
Committee had NO OBJECTION to the work proposed subject to the guidance of the East Suffolk Council's Arboricultural Officer. However, we would request suitable replacement planting for these five trees.	

313. DRAFT HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS AND DRAFT RURAL DEVELOPMENT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENTS

Committee considered the consultation on the draft Healthy Environments and Draft Rural Development Supplementary Planning Documents.

RESOLVED that the consultations be noted.

314. AREAS OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY RENAMED NATIONAL LANDSCAPES

RESOLVED that the renaming of all Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs) nationwide to 'National Landscapes' from 22nd November 2023 be noted.

315. PLANNING DECISIONS

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

316. CORRESPONDENCE

Committee NOTED the following correspondence:

- i. Notification of Appeal ENF/21/0026/DEV in respect of Garage Block North of 2, Chepstow Road.**
Noted the appeal against East Suffolk Council's decision to issue an enforcement notice for Appeal against High Wall adjacent to a highway.
- ii. ESC Neighbourhood Plan Presentation.**
Noted that the Planning Administration Assistant had attended a presentation on Neighbourhood Plans, hosted by East Suffolk Council. The Clerk would forward a copy of the presentation to all Town Councillors.

317. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 10.57am It was noted that the next meeting was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 13 December 2023 at 9.15am.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____