

RECOMMENDATIONS MADE TO EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL IN RESPECT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO THE TOWN CLERK

Following consultation with Cllrs S Bird, S Bennett, M Jepson, M Morris, D Savage and A Smith, the Town Clerk made the following recommendations to East Suffolk Council on behalf of Felixstowe Town Council:

A	<p>DC/21/2329/FUL Erection of new veterinary surgery and 3 residential units in two phases Land At Junction Of Garrison Lane And High Road</p>
<p>Felixstowe Town Council recommends APPROVAL and welcomes the redevelopment of this site. We note and support the vehicle access arrangements to and from Garrison Lane.</p>	
B	<p>DC/21/2444/FUL Development of a 'beach village' area with 27 traditional wooden huts, accessible pods to hire and new public conveniences- plus movement of trim trail to new activity park area, comprising of three petanque rinks, table tennis tables and exercise space. Trim Train And Volley Ball Area Sea Road</p>
<p>Felixstowe Town Council greatly welcomes this application and recommends APPROVAL.</p> <p>It should be noted that previous experience of wave splash, and wash - including sand and shingle - will affect this area and ESC should consider increasing the ground level of this site and give further attention to the flood board entrances as mitigation measures.</p> <p>The inclusion of a beach shower should also be considered.</p>	
C	<p>DC/21/2522/FUL Demolition of existing cafe building & replacement with a new Greggs Pod building, with associated refuse area Petrol Filling Station Anzani Avenue</p>
<p>Felixstowe Town Council recommends APPROVAL. We would ask the applicant to promote the responsible disposal of litter.</p>	
D	<p>DC/21/2214/FUL Construction of a chalet bungalow (following demolition of existing outbuildings) 193 Maidstone Road</p>
<p>Felixstowe Town Council recommends REFUSAL. With particular reference to its close relationship to the recently built properties 10A and 11A James Boden Close, the proposal will not relate well to the scale and design of adjacent properties and would therefore be contrary to SCLP5.7 (b), it would also cause significant harm to residential amenity, contrary to SCLP5.7 (c).</p>	

E	<p>DC/21/1549/FUL Conversion of ground floor commercial unit to provide new homes, including minor ground floor infill 7 Sea Road</p>
<p>Felixstowe Town Council recommends REFUSAL. We would repeat the comments made in respect of this application in April and draw attention to the popular and thriving Felixstowe tourist economy which has seen additional recent investment and is set to further expand post Covid-19. There appears to be no evidence to show that the applicant has sought advice from ESC's Economic Develop team for specific and appropriate marketing of this site.</p> <p>Comments submitted 26th April 2021:</p> <p>Tourism activity in Felixstowe has expanded year on year for over a decade and is likely to grow further. Recent investment and enhancement of this area has demonstrated that there is a wide market for commercial and resort uses. We believe that this proposal is in fundamental contravention of SCLP 12.14 and request that the applicant work with Felixstowe Forward, East Suffolk Council's Economic Development team and the Felixstowe BID to develop a broad marketing strategy prior to any conclusions being drawn over potential unviability.</p>	
F	<p>DC/21/2381/FUL Change of use of ground floor to bar/restaurant including musical entertainment with three & four seat tables externally on wide pavement to Orwell Road 30 Orwell Road</p>
<p>Felixstowe Town Council recommends APPROVAL. We support the comments made by Environmental Protection, except we would suggest the outdoor seating area should be permitted until 10pm, rather than 9pm.</p>	
G	<p>DC/21/2055/FUL Single Storey Extension & Internal Alterations, Re-Configuration of External Window & Door Openings. Felixstowe And Suffolk Bowling Club St Edmunds Road</p>
<p>Felixstowe Town Council recommends APPROVAL.</p>	
H	<p>DC/21/2156/FUL Erect rear extension to enlarge kitchen and dining areas. Erect side extension for study 9 Thornley Road</p>
<p>Felixstowe Town Council recommends APPROVAL.</p>	

I	DC/21/2406/FUL Construction of single storey, pitched roof rear extension. 37 Looe Road
Felixstowe Town Council recommends approval, having carefully considered the relationship to the neighbouring properties.	
J	DC/21/2423/FUL Two storey and single storey side extension 8 St Marys Crescent
Felixstowe Town Council recommends APPROVAL.	
K	DC/21/2570/FUL Construction of a two-storey rear extension 175 Grange Road
Felixstowe Town Council recommends REFUSAL due to the bulk, massing and height of the proposed extension, its proximity to the boundary and the consequential loss of sunlight to the neighbour to the north. We therefore consider the proposals to be contrary to SCLP11.1(c) ii) with regards to the existing layout, iii) height and massing and SCLP11.2 (c) access to daylight and sunlight to the windows and amenity area for the neighbouring property and (e) its physical relationship to other properties.	
L	DC/21/1384/FUL Replacement windows and front door, with like for like double glazed timber windows. 7 Beach Road East
Felixstowe Town Council recommends APPROVAL subject to the guidance of the Conservation Officer. We note that the application states the window will be like-for-like in design, however the drawing to support this is lacking in detail to support this and we would ask that this be reviewed by the Conservation Officer. The Town Council notes that this application relates to part of an iconic row of Victorian properties within the Felixstowe Conservation Area, which are referred to on page 67 of the Felixstowe Conservation Area Appraisal document.	

The recommendations above were made on 9th June 2021 in accordance with the temporary authority delegated at the 5th May Annual Council meeting (Minute #17 of 2021/22 refers). This record will be published on the Town Council's website and reported to the next Planning & Environment Committee or Ordinary Council meeting.