# MINUTES of a PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held ONLINE on Wednesday 16 December 2020 at 9.15am

PRESENT: Cllr S Bird (Chairman) Cllr M Jepson (to Item 387)

Cllr A Smith (Vice-Chairman) Cllr M Morris
Cllr S Bennett Cllr D Savage

Cllr S Gallant (to Item 385) Cllr K Williams (to Item 387)

**OFFICERS:** Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)

Mrs S Morrison (Planning Administration Assistant)

## 381. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

None

## 382. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from CIIr S Wiles.

Apologies were received from **CIIr S Gallant**, **CIIr M Jepson** and **CIIr K Williams** in advance of having to leave at 11am, 11.25am and 11.30am respectively to attend to other business.

## 383. 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.

## 384. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 2 December 2020 be confirmed as a true record.

## 385. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

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DC/20/4734/FUL | New dwelling with new vehicular access Brackenbury House Marcus Road

### Committee recommended APPROVAL

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DC/20/4735/FUL | New dwelling
Brackenbury House Marcus Road

Committee recommended REFUSAL and consider the proposal to contravene SCLP11.1 b, c(i) and c(ii) in respect of the local character, scale and layout within its surroundings.

Committee considered that, should the existing permission for DC/19/2434/OUT at Fourwinds be built out, approval of this application would also be injurious to the street scene in contravention of SCLP11.1 c(iv).

Furthermore, Committee are concerned that the proposal would contravene policies SCLP 11.2 a and e in respect of privacy and overlooking from the adjacent property on Marcus Road, formerly part of The Postern, approved under DC/17/1512/FUL and the amenity of the wider environment.

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DC/20/4836/FUL | Conversion of house to five apartments
Tehidy House 65 Orwell Road

Committee recommended APPROVAL. In light of having considered NPPF para 10, in respect of the presumption in favour of sustainable development and para. 172 in respect of preserving and enhancing the conservation area, Committee felt the application was acceptable.

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**DC/20/4672/FUL** | Reinstatement of natural slate roof covering (replacement interlocking concrete tiles)together with removal of existing chimney stacks, replacement of existing rooflights and replacement fascias, soffits and bargeboards and rainwater goods. Reinstatement of painted timber balcony over front bay window, new fence to replace front wall.

16 Beach Road East

Having considered relevant policies for the conservation area under NPPF para. 172 and SCLP11.5 we welcome this comprehensive and sympathetic upgrade to this property in this important element of the conservation area. Committee recommended APPROVAL.

DC/20/4640/FUL | Single Storey outbuilding located at the rear of the property.

**Anura 37 St Andrews Road** 

## Committee recommended APPROVAL

F DC/20/4322/FUL | Conversion of existing conservatory into a sun lounge 46 Brook Lane.

#### Committee recommended APPROVAL

**DC/20/4938/VOC** | Variation of Condition 1 of DC/14/1574/VOC - Variation of condition no.2 of C/89/1932 - Amendment of planning conditions to allow occupation (for holiday purposes only) of Suffolk Sands Holiday Park between 1st March and 14th February in the following year

**Suffolk Sands Caravan Park Carr Road** 

#### Committee recommended APPROVAL

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DC/20/4804/VOC | Variation of Condition No. 7 of C/89/2256 Date of Decision: 13/03/1990 - Ministerial guidance has indicated that to LPA's should be sympathetic to the seasonal extension of holiday parks in order to support and sustain the tourism industry as a result of COVID-19. - Variation of condition 7 of permission C.89/2256 to allow caravans to be used for human habitation between 15th January and the end of February 2021 Felixstowe Beach Holiday Park Walton Avenue

#### Committee recommended APPROVAL

DC/20/5008/TCA | T1 Ash - 25% crown reduction T2 Sycamore - remove T3 Sycamore - remove front heavy leading stem. T4, T5 Sycamore - pollard. Overall trees have outgrown the garden space. Regrowth from stumps will assist stability of steep bank.

The Lodge South Hill

Committee had NO OBJECTION to the work proposed subject to the guidance of the East Suffolk Council's Arboricultural Officer.

J C/20/4995/TPO | T1 Turkey Oak - to be felled for the following reasons:

Alleged cause of asthma and eczema on residents and neighbours.

Blockage of light Damage to cars Damage to roof and gutters Unspecified

damage to foundations Light restriction to solar panels Risk of harm from falling debris or leaf slippage.

9 Melford Way

Committee had NO OBJECTION to the work proposed subject to the guidance of the East Suffolk Council's Arboricultural Officer, but would ask for consideration for suitable replacement planting.

At 10.58am Cllr S Gallant left the meeting.

## **386. 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.

# 387. <u>AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT – INITIAL CONSULTATION</u>

The Clerk outlined the initial consultation document in which ESC were seeking feedback on what its Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) should include which is being updated from a 2004 document. The Committee discussed and responded to the questions posed. Once adopted SPDs are material considerations in the determination of planning applications.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the responses would be collated and the sent out to the Committee for approval by end of 18 December to be submitted before the deadline of 21 December 2021.

At 11.10 am Cllr K William left the meeting.

At 11.25am Cllr M Jepson left the meeting

## 388. <u>HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT</u> CONSULTATION

The Clerk notified the Committee of a Consultation on Historic Environment Supplementary Planning Document which would be brought back to Committee on 13 January for consideration.

RESOLVED that the consultation be noted and brought back to the Committee on 13 January 2021 for further consideration.

## 389. <u>DELEGATED AUTHORITY</u>

RESOLVED that authority be delegated to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and/or Vice-Chairman, to respond to any planning matters that would otherwise be out of time for a response by the next scheduled meeting.

## 390. CORRESPONDENCE

The Town Clerk reported the following under correspondence:

- i) Bloor Homes ref. Forthcoming Application for Walton North. An invitation from Bloor Homes to provide a briefing to Councillors prior to formal submission of a reserved matters application for development at Walton North. It was agreed that the Clerk should liaise with Bloor to arrange a briefing via Zoom for earlier in the new year.
- ii) Deben High School development. The Town Clerk advised that East Suffolk Council was holding a pre-application consultation on its proposals to develop the former Deben High School site. It was agreed that a formal response would be made once the application had been submitted and Committee was keen to see how the energy conservation and efficiency measures were to be included in the plans, together with enhancing connectivity and ensuring access to public transport.
- iii) LGBCE Boundary Review of Suffolk County Divisions. The Clerk advised that it was anticipated that Committee was pleased to note that the new parish warding arrangements proposed as an outcome of the County Divisions review were anticipated to come in to force by the next Town Council elections in May 2023.

## 391. CLOSURE

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