

**MINUTES of the PLANS COMMITTEE meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on
Wednesday 25 March 2015 at 9.15am**

PRESENT: Cllr M Stokell (Chairman) Cllr D Savage (Deputy Mayor)
 Cllr S Bird Cllr Jon Garfield
 Cllr M Morris Cllr J Sennington
 Cllr C Webb

OFFICERS: Mrs R Jones (Estates Officer)
 Mrs S Morrison (Administration Assistant)

Three members of the public.

578. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

579. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS

The following declarations of Councillors' interests were made:

Member	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
Cllr S Bird	582	Local Non-Pecuniary (Suffolk Coastal District Council Member)
Cllr M Morris	582	Local Non-Pecuniary (Suffolk Coastal District Council Member)
Cllr D Savage	582	Local Non-Pecuniary (Suffolk Coastal District Council Member)
Cllr J Sennington	582	Local Non-Pecuniary (Suffolk Coastal District Council Member)

580. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

581. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The Minutes of the Plans Committee Meeting held on 11 March 2015 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

582. 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:

Councillors Savage, Sennington, Bird and Morris left the room during discussion of the following item;

a)	DC/15/0701/FUL To further enhance the existing play area through the addition of new equipment with a strong inclusive design at Land between Orford Road and Manor Terrace, South Seafront, Langer Road, Felixstowe.
	<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL with the following comments;</p> <p>Having been aware of previous aspirations to develop the recreational areas of the South Seafront site as a visitor destination and with the recent decision to provide public toilets including a Changing Places facility near the Manor Terrace South car park, Members welcomed this proposed investment in the communal areas to create inclusive play facilities. Members carefully considered the location and specification of the proposed entrance arch and all the items of play equipment.</p> <p>Members carefully considered three letters of objection from nearby residents.</p> <p>Members seek reassurance on the following points;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• that the central post in the proposed ornate entrance arch allows sufficient access for both visitors using double buggies and motorised wheelchairs• that each item of proposed play equipment will be sited appropriately within the areas available taking into consideration the proximity and amenity of nearby residents and that Suffolk Coastal District Council seeks to minimise the potential intrusion of the proposal as a result.

Councillors Savage, Sennington, Bird and Morris re-joined the meeting at this point.

b)	DC/15/0516/ADI Installation of the following external shop front signage after the removal of those in situ; 4no. 515mm high NatWest fascia signs with 2 no. sets of 360mm high internally face illuminated lettering and chevron logos. 1 no. 500mm high NatWest internally illuminated projecting signs. 1 no. internally illuminated NatWest ATM tablet to go around 1no. ATM which is to be replaced with 1no. new ATM of similar size and look as the original. Other permitted
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	development signage included here for clarity; 1 no. address and nameplate. 1 no. web/tele vinyl at 104 Hamilton Road, Felixstowe
	Committee recommended APPROVAL.

c)	DC/15/0617/FUL Car park lighting at Premier Inn, 1 Undercliff Road West, Felixstowe.
	Committee recommended APPROVAL.

d)	DC/15/0727/FUL Erection of new office block (710m2) and formalisation (white lining) of adjacent car parking area at Land off Fagbury Road, The Docks, Felixstowe.
	Committee recommended APPROVAL.

e)	DC/15/0835/FUL Conversion of dwelling into 2 no. flats at 35 Ranelagh Road, Felixstowe.
	Committee recommended APPROVAL. Members request that the conversion of the property into 2 habitable units complies with the provisions of policy DM5 in relation to noise transference to protect the amenity of attached properties.

f)	DC/15/1031/FUL Proposed porch and front extension at 2 Stuart Close, Felixstowe.
	Committee recommended APPROVAL.

g)	DC/15/0500/TPO T1 – Holm Oak – remove the two lower limbs back to the stem due to decay on the limbs. T2-T4 – Holm Oak – Crown lift to 5-6m and lateral reduce the branches by 2-3m which are over the roof to allow roof to be repaired. At the moment the canopy of the trees are resting on the roof at 17 Foxgrove Lane, Felixstowe
	Committee recommended APPROVAL

583. FELIXSTOWE PENINSULA AREA ACTION PLAN

There were no further items to report on this matter.

584. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

585. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 10.35 am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 8 April 2015 at 9.15am.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____