

MINUTES of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on **Wednesday 15 July 2015** at **9.15am**

PRESENT: Cllr A Smith (Chairman) Cllr G Newman
 Cllr Jon Garfield (Vice Chairman) Cllr D Savage
 Cllr S Bird Cllr S Wiles
 Cllr Jan Garfield

OFFICERS: Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)
 Mrs R Jones (Estates Officer)

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr A Fryatt (SCDC Cabinet Member for Planning)

117. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr N Barber**, **Cllr S Gallant** and **Cllr K Williams**.

118. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Member(s)	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
Cllr A Smith Cllr S Bird Cllr D Savage	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as Members of Suffolk Coastal District Council)
Cllr G Newman	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as Members of Suffolk County Council)

119. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

There were none.

120. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that:

The Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 1 July 2015 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

121. 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:

a)	DC/15/2361/FUL Detached single storey boat house Ferry Beach, The Ferry Applicant: Mr Robin Whittle
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Committee recommended APPROVAL and welcomed the reduction of the bulk and height of the proposed building, in accordance with its comments submitted when considering the previous application DC/14/4050/FUL. Committee noted that this previous application had been refused by the planning authority on the basis that it would be “significantly detrimental to the appearance of the pattern of development” at the Ferry. Committee do not agree with that judgement and feel that the proposal is in keeping with the general character of the Ferry.

b) DC/15/2524/FUL | Construction of a new dwelling to the rear garden of 12 High Road East .
Applicant: Mrs J Riley

Committee recommended APPROVAL. Noting that this application is for a single storey dwelling, in accordance with the recommendations made to an application for this site back in 2006 and since that time similar developments have been approved in this area.

c) DC/15/2511/FUL | Wooden shed butting up to bungalow wall (1A Waveney Road) to the perimeter fence. Size 12 foot long, 3 foot 3 inches at its widest. 8 foot 6 inches from ground to highest point of pented roof. This shed has not been started. In our application for advice, I had not included the window in this shed, but have now added a window. I also need planning permission in retrospect for a small wooden shed already in place at the side of the property - it is 4'8" long, 3' wide and 4'8" high at its tallest point | 1A Waveney Road
Applicant: Ms Lucy Oswell

Committee recommended APPROVAL.

d) DC/15/2094/FUL | Installation of external solid wall insulation (ESWI) on to 2 elevations at the rear of the property. | 12 Russell Road
Applicant: Mr Michael Hammond

Committee recommended APPROVAL.

e) DC/15/2312/TCA | 2no. Silver Birch trees in rear garden, Crown thin and reduce crowns by up to 30% | 4 College Green
Applicant: Mrs Christine Halliday

Committee recommended APPROVAL subject to all work taking place under the supervision of the District Council’s Arboricultural Officer.

At this point in the proceedings the Chairman suspended Standing Orders and invited the Suffolk Coastal Cabinet Member for Planning, Cllr Tony Fryatt, to address the Committee regarding proposed changes to the District Council's Scheme of Delegations where is related to planning applications.

Following a discussion the Clerk was asked to summarise the views of Felixstowe Town Council Members in writing to Cllr Fryatt subsequent to the meeting. Standing Orders were reinstated.

122. PLANNING DECISIONS

Committee NOTED the decisions received from Suffolk Coastal District Council since the date of the previous agenda and up until the date of this agenda.

123. CONSULTATION: NON-DESIGNATED HERITAGE ASSETS

Committee considered the consultation on criteria with which Suffolk Coastal District Council proposed to identify non-designated heritage assets across the district.

RESOLVED that the proposed criteria be supported with no amendments suggested.

124. FELIXSTOWE PENINSULA AREA ACTION PLAN

Committee noted that the SCDC Principal Planning Officer would be meeting with Members of the AAP Working Group following this meeting in order to discuss draft policies in advance of the Preferred Options paper.

125. CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received and NOTED with no further action required:

- i. **Resubmission of application due to incorrect address:**
DC/15/2444/FUL | A single bedroom dwelling to be constructed on the brownfield site. There is an existing approval C10/0261 for a boat workshop, sun room and shower room, the foundations for which have already been built. The proposed single bedroom dwelling will be built directly on the existing foundations and conform to the outline of the existing approval. The single bedroom will be provided by constructing a new first floor above the workshop to be reached by stairs from the sun room. The remainder of the first floor will comprise a large store room. Daylight to the bedroom will be provided by high level windows in the south slope of the room and french windows with an escape balcony in the gable wall facing west. | **Bligh Manor The Ferry Felixstowe Suffolk IP11 9RZ .**

- ii. **World of Planning Series.** A verbal update was provided from the Estates Officer following her attendance at this event held in Stratford St. Andrew on 2 July 2015. Members were invited to view the presentations given at the meeting which had been made available on the SCDC website.

126. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 11.34am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 29 July 2015 at 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____