

MINUTES of the PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on Wednesday 18 May 2016 at 9.15am

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

OFFICERS: Mr A Tadjirishi (Town Clerk)
 Mrs L Mosen (Mayor’s Secretary)

IN ATTENDANCE: 5 Members of the Public.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

The Chairman advised members of the public present that should they wish to make representations in relation to particular planning applications, these would be heard by the Committee and they would be invited to speak immediately prior to the application being considered.

21. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr K Williams**.

22. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

23. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

There were none.

24. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the **Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 4 May 2016 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.**

25. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At the direction of the Chairman, Committee received comments from members of the public during consideration of this item in relation to applications (a) and (j).

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/16/1285/FUL Proposed extension to rear and side of property (including 1st floor) and internal alterations. 9 Beatrice Avenue
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

b	DC/16/1695/FUL Bedroom extension to rear replacing existing building Orchard Bungalow Park Avenue
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

c	DC/16/1534/FUL Demolition of existing garage. Construction of new garages, workshops and stores Marsh End 283 Ferry Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

d	D DC/16/1617/FUL Construction of bungalow and associated parking 80 & 82 King Street
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

e	DC/16/1640/FUL The removal of an existing UPVC conservatory with the replacement of a double height extension of similar style and proportion to that of existing. Both elements to the North of the property. 60 Cobbold Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL, subject to the conditions relating to the new windows to the north elevation being obscured glazing, as outlined in the decision notice for the previous scheme approved (application reference C12/2485) being retained.	

f	DC/16/1538/ADI 7.5m internally-illuminated free-standing totem sign. 2-4 Langer Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

g	DC/16/1642/FUL Replacement extractor flue 103-105 Hamilton Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

h	DC/16/1793/ADI Illuminated Advertisement Consent - 1no new fascia sign, 1no new projecting sign and 2no internal window graphics. 35 Hamilton Road; and, DC/16/1792/FUL New shopfront, awning and signage. 35 Hamilton Road
Committee considered DC/16/1792/FUL and DC/16/1793/ADI as related proposals for this property and recommended APPROVAL.	

i	DC/16/1512/FUL Rear extension to retail unit 79 Hamilton Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

j	DC/16/1817/FUL Proposed alterations & extensions including loft conversion; new porch and an orangery 12 Norman Close
Committee recommended REFUSAL based on a combination of issues of overlooking from proposed balconies and new windows to the side and rear elevations, on this very tight and intimately oriented site, and which would lead to an unacceptable degree of intrusion to the neighbours.	

k	DC/16/1853/VOC To develop original design concept to suit new owners of the site The Development hereby permitted shall not be carried out other than in complete accordance with Drawing Nos 7908-PA/16/01, 7908-PA/16/02 and 7908-PA/16/03 67 Cliff Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

I	DC/16/1820/TCA 2no. Holm Oak - to crown lift by 1.5 - 2m and reduce crown by 0.5m. over road. Saville Court Victoria Road
Committee had no objections to this notification.	

26. PLANNING DECISIONS

RESOLVED that the decisions received from Suffolk Coastal District Council since the date of the previous agenda and up until the date of the agenda for this meeting be noted.

27. CORRESPONDENCE

Committee received the following correspondence:

- i. Air quality report for the Felixstowe Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) which recommended that the AQMA could now be revoked.
Committee welcomed this recommendation.
- ii. Notification of an Appeal to the Secretary of State ref. APP/J3530/C/16/3146547 against the decision by Suffolk Coastal District Council to issue an enforcement notice to Beach Station House, Beach Station Road.
Members invited the Chairman to represent the Committees views at the appeal.
- iii. Letter from the Crown and WH Smith Network regarding a public consultation on proposals to move Felixstowe Crown Post Office branch from 143 Hamilton Road to within WH Smith at 64 Hamilton Road.
Committee were generally content with the proposal but agreed that the Clerk and Chairman should draft a response to the consultation, for Council to consider, querying how the proposals would affect sorting office operations and to seek assurances that the site would be retained for commercial purposes in this town centre location.

RESOLVED that the correspondence be noted and, following concerns raised as to a possible untidy site at 105 Cliff Road, the Clerk was asked to write to SCDC and request that this be further investigated.

28. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 11.30am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 1 June 2016, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____