

MINUTES of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on **Wednesday 3 May 2017** at **9.15am**.

PRESENT: Cllr A Smith (Chairman) Cllr Jan Garfield
Cllr Jon Garfield (Vice-Chairman) Cllr D Savage
Cllr S Bird Cllr K Williams
Cllr S Gallant

OFFICERS: Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)
Mrs C Page (Planning Administration Officer)

IN ATTENDANCE: 1 Member of the Public

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

The Chairman advised that he would invite the member of the public to make their representation immediately prior to the application being considered.

585. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr G Newman** and **Cllr S Wiles**.

586. DECLARATION 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 K Williams	589a	Local Non-Pecuniary (the member of the public was known to Councillor Williams)

587. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

There were none.

588. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the **Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 19 April 2017** be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

589. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At the direction of the Chairman, Committee heard from the member of the public attending in relation to application (a). Concerns raised centred on matters of access, loss of light, increased traffic and surface water drainage.

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/17/1281/OUT Outline Application - for one dwelling. Land To The Rear Of 154 To 160 Grange Road.
<p>Committee carefully considered this application and a large number of neighbour objections and recommended APPROVAL for the outline application subject to concerns about drainage and vehicle access being addressed. Additionally, Committee requested that the relationship to properties at 60 and 62 Chelsworth Road be taken into account at Reserved Matters stage and that the proposed dwelling be limited to single storey to address loss of light to and amenity of its close neighbours.</p>	

b	DC/17/1504/FUL Proposed conversion of 1 No. HMO comprising of 8 No. bedsits and 1 No. 1 bed flat to 5 No. residential flats. 101 Bath Road.
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL. Given the significance of this characteristic building in the Conservation Area, Committee asks that any new fenestration be carefully designed to complement the street scene.</p>	

c	DC/17/1362/FUL Erection of silo block, intake building, process building, and rearrangement of service yard. Indo European Foods, Langer Road.
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL, subject to confirmation that the plans do not prejudice the existing sewer which is believed to run near the site.</p>	

d	DC/17/1569/FUL Single and two storey rear extension. 25 Constable Road.
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL</p>	

e	DC/17/1544/FUL Two Storey Rear Extension (existing ground floor extension demolished / to be rebuilt due to structural defects). 34 Exeter Road.
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL</p>	

f	DC/17/1378/FUL Proposed first floor side extension. 117 Cliff Road.
Committee recommended APPROVAL	

g	DC/17/1651/FUL Erection of single storey rear extension. 31 Lynwood Avenue.
Committee recommended APPROVAL	

h	DC/17/1530/FUL Proposed porch on north side of dwelling. 2 The Churchmans Undercliff Road East.
Committee recommended REFUSAL. Although Committee had no objection to the principle of a porch, it was considered that the proposed design was out of keeping with the architecturally designed building on a sensitive site within the Conservation Area.	

i	DC/17/1529/FUL Proposed porch on north side of dwelling. 3 The Churchmans Undercliff Road East.
Committee recommended REFUSAL. Although Committee had no objection to the principle of a porch, it was considered that the proposed design was out of keeping with the architecturally designed building on a sensitive site within the Conservation Area	

j	DC/17/1400/TPO T1 Copper Beech - crown thin and crown lift to 4m. 12 High Road East.
Committee had NO OBJECTIONS to the proposed works subject to the guidance of the District Council's Arboricultural Officer.	

590. 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.

591. CORRESPONDENCE

Committee received the following correspondence:

- i. Planning application DC/17/0558/FUL – proposed change of use A3 to A5, 175 Hamilton Road. Suffolk Coastal District Council confirmed that the Environmental Protection Officer had received updated information with regards to extraction ventilation and was satisfied that the system should be sufficient to prevent unreasonable odour being generated. **On the basis that this addressed Members’ planning concerns, Committee would not be seeking a referral. However, Committee asked that SCDC ensure that the incorrect site information, as submitted in the original application, be updated on the Planning Portal for accuracy, avoiding potential confusion in any future reference thereto**

RESOLVED that the correspondence be noted and the Clerk was instructed to respond to Suffolk Coastal District Council accordingly.

592. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 11.20am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 17 May 2017, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____