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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:

Cllr A Smith (Chairman)
Cllr Jon Garfield (Vice Chairman)
Cllr S Bird
Cllr Jan Garfield
Cllr S Gallant

Cllr G Newman Cllr D Savage Cllr S Wiles Cllr K Williams

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** to be held at the **Town Hall, Felixstowe** on **Wednesday 30 November 2016** at **9.15 am** for the transaction of the following business preceded by:

i. Public Question Time. A maximum of 15 minutes will be set aside to enable members of the public to make representation or put questions to the Committee on any Planning & Environment matters.

AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

Members and officers are invited to make any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Local Non-Pecuniary Interests that they may have in relation to items on the Agenda and are also reminded to make any declarations at any stage during the meeting if it becomes apparent that this may be required when a particular item or issue is considered.

3. Requests for Dispensation

Councillors with a pecuniary interest in an item on this agenda, who wish to remain, speak and/or vote during consideration of that item, may apply for a dispensation in writing to the Town Clerk prior to the meeting. Applications may also be considered at the meeting itself should the nature of the interest become apparent to a Councillor at the time of the meeting.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

To confirm the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 16 November 2016 as a true record. (Pages 4-8)

5. Planning Applications

To consider the following planning, and other, applications received since the previous agenda:



a) DC/16/4633/VOC | Variation of Conditions 2 & 8 of DC/16/2680 -(Construction of one no. two storey detached three bedroom house with two off street parking spaces and walled front garden. Creation of one no. off street parking space for host dwelling (which currently has no off street parking)). | Part Rear Garden 10 Crescent Road Applicant: Mr & Mrs M Hine
Link to documents

b) DC/16/4674/FUL | Proposed three bay garage | 184 Grange Road
Applicant: Mr James Law

<u>Link to documents</u>

c) DC/16/4683/FUL | The property has an A3 license, I wish to add an A5 use to the property and include in this application a change of hours to 1100hr - 22.30hr. The opening hours of the property will match other businesses trading in the same parade of shops. The application was initially refused but we have been advised by the LPA to reapply based on the intended use of the property. | 77 Undercliff Road West

Applicant: Mr Ahmed Lulat Link to documents

d) DC/16/3043/COU | To convert existing chandlery to a tea room. Felixstowe Ferry Boatyard The Ferry

Applicant: Andrew Moore Link to documents

e) DC/16/4600/FUL | Proposed rear and side single storey extension 12 Holland Road

Applicant; Ms T Mertens Link to documents

f) DC/16/4671/FUL | Erection of rear single storey extension | 30 Dellwood Avenue

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Andrews

<u>Link to documents</u>

- g) DC/16/4741/FUL | Proposed First floor front extension | 1 Surrey Road
 Applicant: Mr & Mrs M Krisson

 Link to documents
- h) DC/16/4819/ADI | 2no Fascia Signs 1no Projecting Roundel 66 Hamilton Road

Applicant: Mr Ben French Link to documents

6. Planning Decisions

To note the decisions received from Suffolk Coastal District Council since the date of the previous agenda and up until the date of this agenda. (Page 9)

7. Correspondence

To note any items of correspondence.

8. Closure

To close proceedings and confirm the date of the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday 14 December 2016 at 9.15am, Felixstowe Town Hall.

Ash Tadjrishi Town Clerk 23 November 2016

> For information (via email): All Town Councillors Local Press

Meetings of the Town Council and its Committees are open to the press and public who are welcome to attend

AGENDA 4: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTES of the PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE meeting held at Old Felixstowe Community Hall on Wednesday 16 November 2016 at 9.15am

PRESENT: Cllr A Smith (Chairman) Cllr S Gallant

Cllr G Newman Cllr S Wiles

Cllr S Bird Cllr K Williams (from item 330)

Cllr Jan Garfield

OFFICERS: Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)

Mrs R Jones (Estates Officer)

326. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Jon Garfield and Cllr D Savage.

Apologies for lateness were received from Cllr K Williams.

327. <u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u>

Member(s)	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
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 a Member of Suffolk County Council)
Cllr K Williams	330a	Local Non-Pecuniary (as a resident of Gulpher Road)

328. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

There were none.

329. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 2 November 2016 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

CIIr K Williams arrived at this point.

330. 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/16/4127/COU | Change of use of land for the storage of caravans Cowpasture Farm Gulpher Road

Committee recommended REFUSAL. Whilst acknowledging that the Urban Fringe policy AP208 has limited life, Felixstowe is particularly vulnerable to change and AP208 asserts that:

"proposals for new development or changes of use of land or buildings will be subject to the closest scrutiny against other policies of the Plan. When assessing individual proposals, special regard will be paid to their possible contribution towards a cumulative impact on the area. In this respect and, indeed, for all proposals, there should be no detrimental impact on the landscape, minimal loss of high quality agricultural land, and suitable access"

Accordingly, Committee considered the proposals to be contrary to AP208 as the storage of caravans would be detrimental to this locally prominent and attractive landscape in the Urban Fringe.

b) DC/16/4184/FUL and DC/16/4185/LBC | Alteration of approved units 5 & 6 to form single dwelling, including minor alterations to existing structure and replacement of one window with patio doors.

The Bartlet Undercliff Road

Committee recommended APPROVAL.

c DC/16/4479/FUL | Proposed single storey rear extension to existing cartlodge | Hill House Gulpher Road

Committee recommended APPROVAL.

DC/16/4381/PN3 | Prior Notification - Proposed change of use from offices to residential to provide 24 units including existing caretaker flat Cliff House Chevalier Road

Committee NOTED this Prior Notification.

DC/16/4522/FUL | Remove existing manual doors from the shop front and replace with automated bi fold doors painted white RAL9010 64 Hamilton Road

Felixstowe Town Council is vigorously opposed to this application which contravenes, both in detail and in essence, the concept of the Felixstowe Conservation Area. The original Edwardian shops in Felixstowe are widely seen and accepted as being at the core of the town's origin and heritage. These aspects are fundamental to the original creation of the Conservation Area itself. The WHSmith premises, previously for nearly a century Burt's Grocery Store, represent the best surviving example of that heritage.

We therefore regard that the insertion of intrusive and out of character white metal doors, rate panel and proposed ATM combine to destroy the very essence of the current appearance.

We note that the application refers to existing doors as being "nonoriginal" "metal power coated push double doors". This is clearly not the case, as both by observation and local knowledge the doors are attractive panelled wood containing etched glass.

Felixstowe Town Centre has recently been voted in the top 5 of the 'rising star' category in the Great British High Street awards for 2016. It is due to the combination of an excellent modern retail offer in the context of the attractive and original high street which contributes greatly to Felixstowe's current strong economy.

We would also refer to Paragraph 2.78 of the 2006 David Lock Associates report, "A local strategy for Felixstowe Peninsula", which states:

"Felixstowe's Edwardian shop fronts are one the town's great architectural assets. Visitors' perceptions of the town centre's quality depend greatly upon the visual integrity of the high street and the degree of charm the shop fronts provide. This character is sensitive to intervention and therefore the graphic interpretation of shop front design, including colour, lettering style etc, needs to [be] handled with great care. An incentive scheme to improve fronts that fail to contribute positively to the aesthetic harmony of the street elevation should be considered, and we recommend that a single source professional design advisor is "on call" to guide future change."

For all the above reasons we believe this application should not be supported and recommend REFUSAL.

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DC/16/4424/PN3 | Part 3 GPDO Prior Notification - prior approval of change of use from offices (use class B1a) to up to 197 residential apartments (use class C3) including associated internal works. Anzani House, Anzani Avenue

Committee NOTED this Prior Notification.

g DC/16/4483/FUL | Car Port & Store with 2m boundary fencing 15 Cliff Road

Committee recommended REFUSAL. In light of the 2.0m fence to the street frontage and, in particular, the requirement as a consequence of the decking for a 2.3m fence to the neighbouring property, the proposals were considered to be clearly in contravention of DM23.

h DC/16/4503/FUL | Domestic Property changing attached garage to a domestic room with a 2nd storey above | 8 Links Avenue

Committee recommended APPROVAL.

DC/16/4387/FUL | Conversion to nine letting room HMO | 1 Granville Road

Committee recommended APPROVAL.

DC/16/4400/FUL | Proposed Two Storey Side Extension 37 Western Avenue

Committee recommended APPROVAL.

331. 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.

332. SCDC RESPONSE TO FORMAL COMPLAINT

Committee considered the response received from the Chief Executive of Suffolk Coastal District Council to Committee's complaint dated 30 September 2016.

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk write to Suffolk Coastal District Council to:

- i. reiterate the Town Council's concerns with regard to the application of the Scheme of Delegation and associated failures in the administration of planning matters; and,
- ii. request that, in their forthcoming review of changes made to the Scheme of Delegation in relation to the determination of planning applications, the concerns of local parish and town councils are fully considered.

333. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Removal of BT Payphones. Consultation letter from Suffolk Coastal District proposing the removal of 2 BT payphones at Junction of Church Lane & High Street IP11 9BQ and O/S 101 High Road West IP11 9AJ. Committee had no objections to their removal and no interest in adopting the kiosks.
- b) SCDC Planning Portal Website Maintenance. Committee was advised that work to upgrade to the SCDC website was scheduled to take place from Friday 25th to Tuesday 29th November. During this time there would be no access to the domain which deals with planning, building control and environmental services. It was requested that the Clerk should seek an extension for comment by Committee on any applications which were not available for consideration within the consultation period as a result of the maintenance works.

Committee NOTED the above correspondence.

334. CLOSURE

•	l at 12.23pm. The date of the next meeting was noted November 2016, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.	d
Date:	Chairman:	

AGENDA ITEM 6: PLANNING DECISIONS

Approved by SCDC (and recommended for Approval by this Committee):

DC/16/3962/OUT | Residential development of ten units, alterations to existing vehicular access associated external works and parking. | **Land At Junction With Garrison Lane And High Road**

DC/16/4227/COU | Change of Use of garage for use as dog grooming parlour for one dog at a time as approved under DC/14/2686/FUL. | **20 Wentworth Drive**

DC/16/3924/OUT | Outline proposals for one dwelling on land to rear of 61 Princes Road | 61 Princes Road

DC/16/3820/FUL | Erection of two-storey portacabin for drivers welfare Facilities | **1-2 Hodgkinson Road**

DC/16/3928/TPO | To fell Arbutus (Strawberry Tree) in front garden; tree is causing damage to drains. | 17 Links Avenue

DC/16/3124/FUL | Use of land as Truck Service Centre (B2 use) complete with service building and parking | Land East Of Haven Exchange

DC/16/4129/FUL | Revised garage detail to that approved under (DC/15/4740) including roller shutter doors set behind brick piers | **The Gatehouse Maybush Lane**

DC/16/4333/FUL | Proposed extension to rear and side of property (Including 1st floor) and internal alterations | **9 Beatrice Avenue**

DC/16/3759/FUL | Renewal of previous planning application for an extension | 129 Ferry Road

Refused (and recommended for Refusal by this Committee)

None

Approved (and recommended for Refusal by this Committee):

None

Refused (and recommended for Approval by this Committee):

None