

MINUTES of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on **Wednesday 14 June 2017** at **9.15am**.

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

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

IN ATTENDANCE: 1 Member of the Public

69. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

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

70. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr S Wiles**.

71. 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 S Bird Cllr G Newman	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as Members of Suffolk County Council)

72. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

There were none.

73. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the **Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 31 May 2017** be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

74. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At the direction of the Chairman, Committee heard from the member of the public attending in relation to application (c) and considered this application first. Concerns raised by the public centred on the following policies, DM7, DM21, DM23 and SP15 relating to matters of access, loss of privacy, outlook, aesthetics and townscape.

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/17/2223/FUL Extension to existing building for social club. Felixstowe And Walton United Football Club, Dellwood Avenue
Committee recommended APPROVAL subject to the maximum feasible noise attenuation being provided to mitigate any impact to those residential properties closest to the application site, including consideration being given to removing the windows to the south-west elevation.	
b	DC/17/1928/FUL Creation of new front and side balconies, alterations to fenestration, creation of roof-top terrace, relocation of car-lift port and amendments to approved car park layout. Cliff House, Chevalier Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL, welcoming the sympathetic treatment proposed to enhance this building in the Conservation Area.	
c	DC/17/1983/OUT Erection of one and a half storey dwelling. 48 Princes Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL	
d	DC/17/2381/FUL Proposed Conservatory. 4 Parsonage Close
Committee recommended APPROVAL	
e	DC/17/2047/COU Changing a shop usage from A1 to A3 with takeout hot drinks and to put tables and chairs to the front of the shop. 187 Hamilton Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL	

75. 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.

76. CORRESPONDENCE

The Town Clerk advised of the following correspondence:

- a) **Location of haul road for development at Walton Green South.** Letter received from Emma Benson of Meeting Place Communications on behalf of Barratt Homes advising that consent had not been received from SCDC to locate the haul road to the west of Walton Hall. The Clerk had made enquiries with the Planning Officer at SCDC who confirmed that Barratt Homes had been advised to undertake a structural survey to consider the impact of a haul road in that location on the listed barns at Walton Hall. It was understood that such a survey had indicated that the barns may be adversely affected by heavy vehicle movements along a haul road in that location.

Given that Committee's recommendation was for haul road access to be taken off the existing access point to the western boundary, farthest from the school road with site traffic timed not to conflict with school drop-off and pick-up times, Members expressed grave concern that the developer had not been able to take the necessary steps to safeguard the preservation of the barns in order to gain permission for the haul road and was using the Academy road to access the site. Members reported public concerns about the risk to school users posed by construction vehicle movement along the road to the school. It was understood that SCDC had sought to engage and offer assistance to the developer to consider two options for haul road access which would ensure separation from school traffic and also protect the barns.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk write to Barratt Homes on behalf of Committee and request that every effort is made to provide an alternative haul road access in order to protect the safety of school users during the development.

77. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 10.47am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 28 June 2017, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____