

**MINUTES of the PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on Wednesday 1 August 2018 at 9.15am.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr S Bird (Vice Chairman)                      Cllr Jon Garfield  
                  Cllr M Jepson    Cllr G Newman  
                  Cllr Jan Garfield    Cllr D Savage

**OFFICERS:** Mrs D Frost (Deputy Town Clerk)  
                  Mrs S Morrison (Planning Administration Assistant)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr R Abbott (Felixstowe Chamber of Trade and Commerce)  
                                  And three members of the public

**In the absence of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman Cllr Stuart Bird in the chair.**

**154. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were none.

**155. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

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

**156. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

<b>Member(s)</b>	<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Nature of Interest</b>
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Gallant	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)

**157. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION**

There were no requests for dispensation.

**158. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 18 July 2018 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.**

**159. 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	<p><b>DC/18/1999/FUL</b>   Proposed detached two storey dwelling and flat over double garage on land associated with No. 9 Manwick Road  <b>9 Manwick Road</b></p>
<p><b>Committee recommended REFUSAL. Committee feel that this is overdevelopment of the site contrary to DM 21 (a) and DM23 (a, c and e). Committee notes there are two proposed dwellings. The proposed 3 bedroom property is hard up against proposed boundary and is very close to side elevation of host property which contains windows to habitable rooms. Committee also notes that in terms of parking no apparent provision for the host dwelling and the proposed 3 bedroom and 1 bedroom property share a 2 space garage and also that the proposed driveway access to the garage appears to only allow 1 vehicle to use the garage. Therefore there will be considerable risk of further on-street parking.</b></p>	
b	<p><b>DC/18/2854/VOC</b>   Variation of condition 2 of DC/17/5120/FUL - New replacement dwelling (New design of replacement dwelling)  <b>Soundings Golf Road</b></p>
<p><b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b></p>	
c	<p><b>DC/18/2874/FUL</b>   Erection of new office building (154m2) and workshop (201m2)  <b>Road Transport Depot Fagbury Road The Docks</b></p>
<p><b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b></p>	
d	<p><b>DC/18/2853/FUL</b>   Proposed retention of a 27.42m temporary tower, supporting 3 no. antenna, 1 no. dish, associated equipment including 1 no. silent running generator, cabinet and ancillary development thereto including temporary compound surrounded by a 3.0m 'blok n mesh' fence.  <b>Land At Ranelagh Road Car Park Ranelagh Road</b></p>
<p><b>Committee defer this application back to the District as we are not able to make a determination due to inconsistencies. The application stated temporary until December 2018 but a resident has been informed by email from the District that the tower will be decommissioned and removed commencing 13 August. We would like an indication on how long decommissioning takes. The proposal is for a silent running generator but we understand there are issues regarding the noise and smell. Could the power not be gained from mains electrical source, which would reduce the problem of noise and smell.</b></p>	

<b>e</b>	<b>DC/18/2887/FUL   Retrospective Application - Use of part of former school sanitorium as single dwelling</b> <b>The Annexe 52 Maybush Lane</b>
<b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b>	

<b>f</b>	<b>DC/18/2928/FUL   Proposed replacement of existing timber casement windows to UPVC casement windows. Proposed window sections will be visually similar to the existing windows. Proposed colour of the windows to be white to match existing.</b> <b>235 - 241 &amp; 243 - 249 Grange Road</b>
<b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b>	

<b>g</b>	<b>DC/18/1267/FUL   Demolition of existing Auction House to create a new mixed use development comprising; 3 No ground floor commercial units and 9 No self-contained apartments at first and second floor levels. Site works includes under-croft parking and first floor courtyard landscaped terrace.</b> <b>Orwell Hall, Orwell Road</b>
<b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b>	

<b>h</b>	<b>DC/18/2923/TPO   Sweet Chestnut (T1) - 2-2.5m Crown reduction. This is to crown reduce the sweet chestnut to the previous cut marks completed in 2016 under TPO application ref: DC/15/3542/TPO. Reasons for work are to reduce the risk of windthrow and allow garden clearance. Allowing an increase of light to the property.</b> <b>1 Cliff Court</b>
<b>Committee has NO OBJECTION.</b>	

<b>i</b>	<b>DC/18/2945/TCA   To re-pollard Lime trees on rear boundaries of 33A and 35A Quilter Road, To fell Lime trees on south boundary; trees causing problems to neighbours and garages.</b> <b>33A &amp; 35A Quilter Road</b>
<b>Committee has NO OBJECTION.</b>	

**160. 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

**161. CONSULTATION: SCDC LOCAL PLAN FIRST DRAFT**

The Deputy Town Clerk presented some work which had been started on how the First Draft Local Plan had used the responses from Felixstowe Town Council on the Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation submitted in November 2017.

Committee discussed up to question 39 and have highlighted particular areas which they would like to provide feedback. Members will also study further in preparation for the next meeting on 15 August.

**162. CORRESPONDENCE**

Committee noted correspondence from SCDC regarding the planning consultation for a new café/ restaurant/events space building for the northern end of Martello Park which is likely to get underway within the next week and it is hoped that this application should be considered by the Planning Committee on 20<sup>th</sup> September, subject to consultations and the Officer's recommendation. The Design and Access Statement, along with the concept behind the design and detailed drawings will be brought to committee in due course.

**163. CLOSURE**

The meeting was closed at 11.45am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 15 August 2018, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

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Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_