# MINUTES of the PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on Wednesday 21 November 2018 at 9.15am.

PRESENT: Cllr A Smith (Chairman) Cllr M Jepson

Cllr A Bird Cllr G Newman Cllr Jan Garfield (to item 355f) Cllr D Savage

Cllr Jon Garfield (to item 355f)

**OFFICERS:** Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)

Mrs S Morrison (Planning Administration Assistant)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr R Abbott (Felixstowe Chamber of Trade & Commerce)

3 members of the public

## 350. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Chairman advised that he would invite members of the public to make representations immediately prior to the consideration of any application they sought to comment on.

## 351. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

**Clir Jan Garfield** and **Clir Jon Garfield** gave apologies in advance of having to leave the meeting early at 10.45am.

# 352. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Member(s)	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
Cllr S Bird 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)
Cllr D Savage	355(b)	Pecuniary (as a near neighbour to the development site)

Having declared that her interest in item 355(b) was Pecuniary in nature, **Clir D Savage** advised that she would leave the Chamber prior to, and for the duration of, that item.

#### 353. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

There were no requests for dispensation.

#### 354. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 7 November 2018 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

## 355. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At the direction of the Chairman, Committee heard from members of the public attending in relation to applications (a) and (b) below. In respect of item (a), Committee noted public concerns about the size of the proposal, noise, overlooking, opening hours, parking and traffic issues at a busy junction. In respect of item (b) below, Committee heard concerns that the proposed materials were inappropriate for this development in the Conservation Area.

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/18/4507/FUL |. Consisting of a Pub on the ground floor and the upper floors containing 24 apartments. On the site of the old GP practice which has been demolished

#### 201 Hamilton Road

Committee recommended APPROVAL. Committee were concerned to note inconsistencies between the drawings and the Design & Access Statement with regards to access for deliveries. The decision was made on the understanding that the statement in the Design & Access Statement is correct. While Members had some reservations about the height and mass of the building, Committee were pleased to note that its previous concerns about affordable housing, balconies overlooking High Road West and the interface with Great Eastern Square had all been addressed. As such Committee felt that the benefits outweighed the concerns.

#### CIIr D Savage left the Chamber.

DC/18/4480/VOC | Variation of Condition(s) 2 of Planning Permission - DC/16/1521/FUL - Proposed alterations and extensions to existing dwelling house currently subdivided in to two residential units to provide 5 apartments/flats.

## Meri Rauha 1 High Beach

Committee strongly recommended REFUSAL and were in agreement with the Principal Design and Conservation Officer and the Suffolk Preservation Society that the changes would have a wholly unacceptable impact on this iconic Victorian terrace in Felixstowe. Critically, the proposal neither preserves nor enhances the Conservation Area.

## CIIr D Savage returned.

C DC/18/4435/FUL | Two flats with parking and ancillary space
3 Margaret Street

Committee recommended APPROVAL

d flats.
Anglia House 22-24 Hamilton Road

Committee had NO OBJECTIONS

e DC/18/4255/FUL | Single Storey Rear Extension 11 Goyfield Avenue

Committee recommended APPROVAL

f DC/18/4596/FUL | Single storey rear extension 6 Lawn Way

Committee recommended APPROVAL

At this point, being 10.45am, Cllrs Jan Garfield and Jon Garfield left the meeting.

g DC/18/4436/FUL | Single storey rear extension 327 High Street Walton

**Committee recommended APPROVAL** 

h DC/18/4440/FUL | Insertion of four replacement windows at first and attic floor levels facing Orwell Road
30 Orwell Road

Committee recommended APPROVAL

DC/18/4439/FUL | Installation of five window and two pairs of french doors replacing existing units **Apartment 17 Martello Place Golf Road** Committee recommend APPROVAL **DC/18/3737/FUL** | Replacement of five windows and two pairs of french doors to first floor flat 11 Martello Place Golf Road

Committee recommend APPROVAL

#### 356. 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

# 357. CORRESPONDENCE

It was noted that application DC/18/3705/FUL at 10 Brook Lane had been subject to a referral trigger due to the Committee's objections on the location of a proposed garage. The Clerk advised that the applicant had since agreed to remove the garage from the plans and, following consultation with the Vice-Chairman, Committee's objections had been withdrawn.

RESOLVED that the correspondence be noted as received.

## 358. INVITATION TO INNOCENCE FARM STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP

Committee noted the invitation to attend a stakeholder workshop about Innocence Farm on 27<sup>th</sup> November, hosted by the Trimley Estates.

It was RESOLVED that the Chairman, Cllr A Smith, and Town Clerk should attend the workshop on the 27th November on behalf of the Town Council.

#### 359. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 11.04am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 5 December 2018, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Date:	Chairman: