

MINUTES of the PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on Wednesday 23 October 2019 at 9.15am.

PRESENT: Cllr A Smith (Chairman) Cllr M Jepson
Cllr S Bird (Vice Chairman) Cllr M Morris
Cllr S Bennett Cllr D Savage

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

270. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were none.

271. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr S Gallant, Cllr S Wiles** and **Cllr K Williams**.

Cllr M Jepson gave apologies in advance of needing to leave the meeting at 11.00 to attend to other business.

272. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Member(s)	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
Cllr S Bird Cllr M Jepson	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as Members of East Suffolk Council)
Cllr S Bird	All	Local Non-Pecuniary (as a Member of Suffolk County Council)

As no Pecuniary declarations were made, there were no requests for dispensation.

273. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 9 October be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

274. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Committee considered the following planning applications received since the last meeting and RESOLVED to submit the following observations to East Suffolk Council:

a	DC/19/3942/FUL New dwelling (incorporating existing garage) 1 Sudbury Road
While Committee acknowledge the reduction in size from DC/19/2304/FUL our opinion has not changed. Committee recommended REFUSAL. The proposal provides minimal amenity space, inadequate parking provision for the new dwelling and a loss of parking for the host property. It would impact on highway visibility, presenting a hazard to traffic safety and is not in keeping with the street scene.	
b	DC/19/3941/FUL To remove conservatory and extend single storey to rear of property for larger utility room and kitchen/family room. 22 Lansdowne Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL subject to confirmation that the neighbour, with full knowledge of the intent of the application, has no significant objections.	
c	DC/19/3961/FUL Retrospective Application for moving 1800 high close board fence. Remove brick height of boundary wall to Fairfield Avenue and raise to 1150 o/a height above pavement level in close boarded fencing. Erect garden room in side garden. Remove screen brick wall to east garden and erect brick/timber fence in position. 17A Beatrice Avenue
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

275. PLANNING DECISIONS

RESOLVED that the decisions received from East Suffolk Council since the date of the previous agenda and up until the date of the agenda for this meeting be noted.

276. PUBLIC CONSULTATION: DRAFT CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL

Members congratulated the author on a well written, very informative document which contained good quality visual photographs which highlighted the value of the Conservation Area.. Various points were picked out which will be included in a response to East Suffolk Council before the 4th November deadline.

Cllr M Jepson left the meeting at 10.57.

277. CORRESPONDENCE

Committee noted the following correspondence received:

i. Email with photographs – window replacement

The Clerk was asked to forward the email and photographs to ESC Planning Enforcement Department regarding a property in Ranelagh Road who have replaced their posts and windows, not in keeping with the Conservation Area to ensure it is compliant with local planning regulations.

278. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 11.25 am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 6 November 2019, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____