

MINUTES of the PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE meeting held at Felixstowe Town Hall on Wednesday 9 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
Cllr S Gallant

OFFICERS: Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)
Mrs S Morrison (Planning Administration Assistant)

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr M Smith (JCN Design)
Mr R Abbot (Felixstowe Chamber of Trade & Commerce)

240. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were none.

241. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

242. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Member(s)	Minute No.	Nature of Interest
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Gallant 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.

243. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 25 September be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

244. 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	<p>DC/19/3623/VOC Variation of Condition 1 on Application DC/16/3776/ARM (Submission of reserved matters pursuant to outline planning permission DC/13/3069/OUT for the creation of 197 no. one, two, three and four bedroom houses and apartments, plus associated roads, paths, driveways, car parking, landscaping and public open space.) Land West of Ferry Road Residential Centre</p>
<p>Committee welcomed the proposed change to roof design in response to local neighbourhood concerns. However, the Committee greatly regrets the simplification of the design features – notably the brickwork pattern - which will result in a diminished street scene quality. We request that the District Council explore with the developer the possibility of retaining the brickwork pattern. Notably this would underline the long-standing policy that affordable housing should not be overtly identifiable in mixed-use development</p>	
b	<p>DC/19/3763/FUL To remove flat roof to 1st floor, extend behind with ensuite and larger bathroom and provide pitch roof over whole 22 Lansdowne Road</p>
<p>We note that the application is for “To remove flat roof to 1st floor, extend behind with ensuite and larger bathroom and provide pitch roof over whole”, for which we recommend APPROVAL.</p> <p>However, we note that the drawings additionally include a significant ground floor extension to the rear of the property across the width of the site. On careful consideration Committee would be minded to approve this additional element if it is perceived to be part of this application, subject to confirmation that the neighbour, with full knowledge of the intent of the application, has no significant objections.</p>	
c	<p>DC/19/3711/FUL Infill of part ground floor undercroft to form sitting area. Rosemount 11 Hamilton Gardens</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</p>	
d	<p>DC/19/3664/FUL This application is for a generator to be placed outside but adjacent to the existing building. Unit 10 (Formerly Cory House) Haven Exchange</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL subject to the Environmental Health Officer confirming that the sound proofing will be adequate in relation to the residential amenity of nearby Waterhead House.</p>	

245. 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.

246. PUBLIC CONSULTATION: DRAFT CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL

Members received a hard copy of the draft document, after a brief discussion it was agreed to discuss the draft at the 23rd October Plans meeting when final comment to the consultation would be finalised before the 4th November deadline.

247. CORRESPONDENCE

Committee noted the following correspondence received:

i. Conversion of parts of Footpath 34 to Cycle Track, Felixstowe

The Town Clerk reported that, Suffolk County Council had notified him that the conversion from footpath to cycle track had been completed.

ii. Suffolk Coastal Local Plan

The Clerk advised that the Inspector was initiating consultation on the publication of certain documents which were referred to by some of the representors. The Clerk reported that this did not relate to the Felixstowe representation so would not take this further.

248. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 11.03 am. The date of the next meeting was noted as being Wednesday 23 October 2019, 9.15am at Felixstowe Town Hall.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____