

**MINUTES of a PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held at
TOWN HALL, Felixstowe, on Wednesday 20 July 2022 at 9.15am**

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

OFFICERS: Mr A Tadjrishi (Town Clerk)
Mrs J Smith (Administration Assistant)

IN ATTENDANCE: 3 members of the public
2 members of the public (*via Zoom*)

118. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Chairman advised that he would invite representations from members of the public immediately prior to debate on specific applications.

119. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

120. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

121. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 6 July 2022 be confirmed as a true record.

122. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

Committee heard from members of the public on application A, below. Objections to the proposal centred on overshadowing, loss of daylight, noise, pollution, disturbance, infill, layout and density. Members of the public also expressed concerns that the proposals were not in keeping with the street scene and the potential for overlooking from Lynwood Avenue.

A	<p>DC/22/2547/OUT Outline Application (All Matters Reserved) - Demolition of two flats, construction of two houses and two bungalows, new access with existing access stopped up. 29 High Road East</p>
<p>Committee recommended REFUSAL. We have considered the application in terms of it being an outline application only, for the principle of 4 properties on this site. In that regard, we consider the proposal is contrary to SCLP 5.7, para. a) four properties on this site which is currently only occupied by two flats will harm the character of the area in terms of this intensification. Furthermore, we believe is it contrary to SCLP 5.7 para. b). We feel that four properties on this site would not relate well in terms of scale to the surrounding area and would therefore be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties in High Road East and Lynwood Avenue.</p>	
B	<p>DC/22/2351/FUL Change of use from 7-8 bed house in multiple occupation (HMO) (staff accommodation) (sui generis) to 7-8 bed house in multiple occupation (HMO) (sui generis) Kerensa 20 Manning Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</p>	
C	<p>DC/22/2354/FUL Two storey rear extension and porch extension. 1 Chaucer Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</p>	
D	<p>DC/22/2470/FUL Single storey rear extension 43 Exeter Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</p>	
E	<p>DC/22/2352/FUL Rear extension, new garden store, juliet balcony 8 Pretyman Road</p>
<p>Committee recommended APPROVAL. We noted that on the planning portal the drawings listed under ‘proposed elevations’ are duplication of the existing elevations, therefore members of the public will not have been able to consider the impact of this application.</p>	

F	DC/22/2413/FUL Front extension 34 Dovedale
Committee recommended APPROVAL. We have considered the comment from the neighbour with regards to the boundary but do not consider this to be a planning matter.	
G	DC/22/2507/FUL Single storey rear extension 2 Sunningdale Drive
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	
H	DC/22/2494/FUL Two storey and single storey extensions with attached garage 76 Links Avenue
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	
I	DC/22/1955/FUL Erection of two-bedroom house on plot next to terraced dwellings. 19 Margaret Street
<p>Committee carefully considered this new application, however we note that it only differs from the previous application in terms of the orientation of the front door of the front elevation. Our previous views therefore remain and we recommend REFUSAL.</p> <p>Whilst we greatly welcome redevelopment of this untidy and unattractive site, which is detrimental to the amenity of the neighbourhood. We recommend refusal of this specific design due to the rear first floor element leading to substantial loss of light to the windows of No.17. We therefore feel that this is contrary to SPG16 and SCLP11.2 para. (c).</p> <p>This does not conform to the widespread pattern of Victorian terraced housing where the rear of the first floor is reduced in width allowing light to the adjacent property's ground floor, we therefore suggest that this is contrary to the character of the current area in that respect.</p>	
J	DC/22/2536/FUL Change of use from Class C3 (residential dwelling house) to Class C2 (residential children's home for 2 children) 6 York Road
Committee recommended APPROVAL.	

123. PLANNING DECISIONS

RESOLVED that the decisions on planning applications by East Suffolk Council notified to the Town Council since the previous meeting be noted.

124. CORRESPONDENCE

Committee NOTED the following correspondence:

- i. Persimmons for a site visit to Trelawney Place.**
The revised date of Thursday 28th July at 10.00 was noted. The Clerk would advise all Member of details once finalised.
- ii. Street Naming - Bloor Homes development**
Noted that Bloors had, in place of some names that had previously been rejected, suggested alternative road names based on the theme of seaplanes. Members supported the new suggestions and the Clerk agreed to confirm this with Bloor Homes.
- iii. SCC Rights of Way and Access Team – Notification of TTRO**
Noted that Footpath 08 from Westmorland Road would be closed for 80m westbound from 22nd – 31st August to enable Anglian Water to carry out a water main replacement.
- iv. SALC Survey on Planning Process**
Members noted that SALC were seeking feedback from town and parish councils in Suffolk on the local planning process. It was agreed that Cllr Smith would prepare a draft response for consideration by the Committee as an agenda item at the next meeting.

125. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 11.18am. It was noted that the next meeting was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 3 August 2022 at 9.15am.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____