

**MINUTES of a PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held at  
TOWN HALL, Felixstowe, on Wednesday 14 December 2022 at 9.15am**

**PRESENT:** Cllr S Bird (Chairman)                      Cllr M Morris  
                 Cllr A Smith (Vice-Chairman)              Cllr D Savage  
                 Cllr S Bennett                                      Cllr S Wiles  
                 Cllr S Gallant

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 1 member of the public (in person)  
                         4 members of the public (via Zoom).

**321. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

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

**322. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from **Cllr M Jepson** and **Cllr K Williams**.

**323. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

<b>Member(s)</b>	<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Nature of Interest</b>
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Gallant Cllr S Wiles	All	Other registerable interests (as Members of East Suffolk Council)
Cllr S Bird Cllr S Wiles	All	Other registerable interests (as a Members of Suffolk County Council)

Cllr Gallant drew attention to his involvement, as Leader of East Suffolk District Council, with the relocation of the Spa Pavilion Beach Huts.

**324. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 30 November 2022 be confirmed as a true record.

**325. 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 three members of the public on application A, below. The public commented in support of the application, which placed a focus on the measures being proposed to, not simply protect, but enhance the biodiversity of the coastal vegetation which had been a matter of

previous ecological concern. Public comments referred to the recently submitted ecology impact assessment, the low-impact of the roped-off area, the opportunity to educate on the importance of the vegetation and asserted there would be a net benefit to the biodiversity habitat at this location.

<b>A</b>	<b>DC/22/4418/FUL</b>   Infront of the playground, in Martello Place, we are proposing to locate 7 beach huts on one side and 7 beach huts on the other side of the footpath from playground. The special care will be present for the biodiversity on the site. <b>Felixstowe Sea Front Martello Park</b>
<b>Committee recommended APPROVAL. We strongly welcome this application and additionally support the measures to enhance and preserve the valuable vegetative shingle in this location.</b>	

<b>B</b>	<b>DC/22/4203/FUL</b>   Ground floor extension to extend existing flat and first floor rear extension to create additional flat. <b>Chicago Express Pizza 226 High Street</b>
<b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b>	

<b>C</b>	<b>DC/22/4544/FUL</b>   Replacement loft conversion, single storey rear extension and alterations <b>123 Colneis Road</b>
<b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b>	

**Cllr D Savage left the Chamber briefly and was not present for the vote on the item below.**

<b>D</b>	<b>DC/22/4662/FUL</b>   Rear single storey extension and extension of existing dropped kerb. <b>39 Leopold Road</b>
<b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b>	

**Cllr Savage returned to the Chamber.**

<b>E</b>	<b>DC/22/4723/FUL</b>   Rear Extension. <b>15 Sunray Avenue</b>
<b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b>	

<b>F</b>	<b>DC/22/4556/FUL   To replace current windows like for like with upvc. Apartment 10 Martello Place Golf Road</b>
<b>Committee recommended APPROVAL.</b>	
<b>G</b>	<b>DC/22/4619/TCA   1no. Holly (7 on plan) - Fell Belgrove 3 Ranelagh Road</b>
<b>Committee had NO OBJECTION to the work proposed subject to the guidance of the East Suffolk Council's Arboricultural Officer.</b>	
<b>H</b>	<b>DC/22/4690/TCA   1no. Rowan and 1no. Lime (marked X on plan) - Fell 1-4 Colbourn Court 11 Ranelagh Road</b>
<b>Committee had NO OBJECTION to the work proposed subject to the guidance of the East Suffolk Council's Arboricultural Officer.</b>	

### **326. PLANNING DECISIONS**

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

### **327. DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

**RESOLVED** that authority be delegated to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and/or Vice-Chairman, to respond to any planning matters that would otherwise be out of time for a response by the next scheduled meeting.

### **328. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Committee NOTED** the following correspondence:

- i. DC/22/1341/FUL, 55 Undercliff Road.**  
Noted that this application was on the agenda for the ESC Planning Committee South meeting of 20 December. Cllr Smith would attend to speak as representative from the Town Council.
- ii. DC/22/3931/FUL, Journeys End.**  
Noted that this application was presented to the referral panel as Officers recommendation of refusal was contrary to the Town Council. The panel concluded that there were no material planning considerations which warranted further discussion by the planning committee. The decision was therefore delegated to officers and the application would be refused
- iii. Equipment stored on grass verge at Sunningdale Drive.**  
Noted information from Highways Licensing that a privately-owned grass verge on Sunningdale Drive was being used as a storage space for 2 containers, Heras fencing, plant and other equipment, in association with utility works.

iv. **Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm**

Noted that Councillors had been invited to attend a Project Update Briefing Invitation on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023. Cllrs S Bennett and A Smith expressed an interest in attending.

**329. CLOSURE**

The meeting was closed at 10.50am. It was noted that the next meeting was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 11 January 2023 at 9.15am.

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