

Lowestoft Town Council
Meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee
Held by video conference at 17.00 on Tuesday 26 May 2020

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Sue Barnard (arrived 17.15), Amanda Frost (left 17.19 and returned at 17.28), Alan Green, Jacqueline Hardie, Peter Knight, Graham Parker, Andy Pearce, Alice Taylor

In attendance: Shona Bendix, Town Clerk. Sarah Foote, Deputy Town Clerk.

391. Welcome

The Video Meeting protocol was read and noted.

392. Receipt and consideration of acceptance of apologies for absence

It was agreed to accept Cllr Eastwood and Cllr Youngmans' absence from the meeting.

393. Declarations of Interests and dispensations

There were none.

394. Committee arrangements:

- a. The membership of the Planning and Environment Committee was noted as Cllr Knight (Chair) and Cllrs Barnard, Carlton, Eastwood, Frost, Green, Hardie, Parker, Pearce, Taylor, and Youngman.
- b. It was proposed by Cllr Parker, seconded by Cllr Taylor that Cllr Hardie be appointed Deputy Chair of the Committee. Cllr Hardie proposed Cllr Pearce for this appointment, Cllr Pearce thanked Cllr Hardie but declined the nomination and the proposal did not proceed further. It was then unanimously agreed that Cllr Hardie be appointed as Vice Chair of the Committee.
- c. The Neighbourhood Development Plan sub-committee would be formed of Cllrs Barnard, Breakspear, Butler, Frost, Hardie, Pearce, Taylor. Other Councillors were welcome to come forward. The sub-committee would meet as necessary.

395. New members had been provided with brief details of how to consider planning applications (material and non-material considerations) and training would be offered at a future date, possibly in conjunction with ESC.

396. The **Minutes of 12 May 2020** were noted and would be approved at a future meeting.

397. Comments received from members of the public would be noted at the relevant agenda item.

398. Planning applications

The following planning applications were considered and recommendations would be submitted to the Planning Authority.

Reference	Address and Description	District Ward
DC/20/1648/FUL	Jubilee Parade Chalets South Lowestoft Seafront The Esplanade - To demolish the concrete beach chalets 1-13 and 22-58. Work necessary to reinforce existing retaining wall and cliff face to prevent land slip and risk to the public. Closure of ramped access.	Kirkley and Pakefield
It was proposed by Cllr Green, seconded by Cllr Hardie and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of the application. The Council would ask that when considering the reinstatement of the chalets, the Planning Authority takes into account the public comments (as submitted for this application) on the design and heritage of the current beach chalets which was of interest to and noted by the Town Council.		
DC/20/1699/PN3	5 - 6 Bevan Street East - change of use from butchers to dog grooming station	Harbour and Normanston
Comments submitted by a member of the public were read ahead of the consideration of the application. It was proposed by Cllr Taylor, seconded by Cllr Hardie and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of the application subject to the noise concerns as raised by Environmental Protection being addressed and Environmental Protection then being content to support the application.		
DC/20/1714/FUL	Topland, 158 Yarmouth Road - Proposed double garage with storage over	Gunton and St Margarets
It was proposed by Cllr Pearce, seconded by Cllr Taylor and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/20/1746/FUL	49 Edgerton Road - Proposed side extension	Carlton and Whitton

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It was proposed by Cllr Frost, seconded by Cllr Green and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of this application.

b. The following planning applications for tree works were noted and it was agreed there were no comments to submit.

Reference	Address and Description	District Ward
DC/20/1646/TPO	22 Pine Banks - Horse Chestnut on rear boundary to be reduced by 30% to allow more light to back of house	Harbour and Normanston

c. Planning Determinations issued by the Planning Authority which were contrary to the recommendations of the Town Council – there were none to note.

d. Reports from East Suffolk Council Referral Panel - DC/20/1532/FUL 100 Long Road - Proposed side extension - had been considered by the referral panel as the Town Council's recommendation for refusal was contrary to the Officer's recommendation.

It was noted that a time sensitive licensing application had been responded to by Officers (Renewal of application for street trading consent plus extra van trading therefore two vehicles, Lamartis Ice Cream for Monday to Sunday 12:00 to 19:00 on all consent streets within the North of the East Suffolk Council area). The response detailed that there was currently no consent to trade on Links Road car park and the trader had now been informed of this on two occasions. How to respond to licensing applications and any formal delegation of authority will be considered at the next meeting.

399. Date of the next meeting – 17.00 on Tuesday 9 June 2020.

400. Items for the next Agenda - none requested

401. Resolution to close the meeting to the public - There were no confidential matters for consideration.

Meeting closed at 17.48

Signed:

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