

Lowestoft Town Council

Meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee

**Riverside, Waveney District Council Offices, 4 Canning Road, Lowestoft NR33 0EQ
16:00 on 21 August 2018**

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Sue Barnard, Allyson Barron, Alan Green, Amanda Frost, Dick Houghton, Peter Knight, Graham Parker and Alice Taylor (Chair).

In attendance: Sarah Foote (Clerk) and Cllrs Ian Graham and Neil Coleby attended as observers. Public: Four members.

392. Welcome

The fire evacuation procedure and public right to report were explained .

393. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs, Eastwood. Cllr Ford and Cllr Carlton were absent.

394. Declarations of Interests and dispensations

It was noted that Cllr Knight had previously been granted a dispensation to report on items related to the developments at CEFAS site.

395. To consider the accuracy of the Minutes:

7 August 2018 – agreed as accurate. Proposed: Cllr Barron; Seconded: Cllr Parker.

The minutes were duly signed by Cllr Taylor.

396. Public Forum

The developer, and his agent, were present and made a presentation regarding the proposed café at the Links Road car park. The Town Council had previously considered an application for a café at the north west corner of the car park and recommended refusal on several grounds. The developer spoke of his desire to develop the whole of the north side of the Denes Oval with a purpose built café, playground, outdoor exercise equipment, beach huts and an electric train to run from the café to Ness Point. The grass areas would be maintained and cut as part of the development and toilets, with unlimited public access, would also be provided. The developer would finance the whole project and no external funding would be required.

At 16.35 the developer and his two colleagues left the meeting. Cllrs Graham and Coleby also left the meeting.

The remaining member of the public did not wish to make any comments and left the meeting at 16.43.

397. Planning applications

The following planning applications were considered (all available on www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk) and the recommendations of the Council were agreed as follows:

Reference	Address and Description	Ward
DC/18/3184/FUL	45 Clover Way – Construction of single storey side and rear extension	Gunton
It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Parker and agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/18/3083/COU	Marquis of Lorne, Carlton Road – change of use from public house to 8 no. 1 bedroom apartments	Kirkley
It was proposed by Cllr Houghton, seconded by Cllr Knight and agreed to recommend approval of this application subject to the provision of two electric car charging points and bin storage being confirmed as adequate. It was noted that whilst the application details 12 car parking spaces there are only 11 shown on the plan.		
DC/18/3241/COU	3 London Road – Change of use from A1 (retail) to Sui Generis Tattoo	Pakefield

	Parlour.	
It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Green and agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/18/3250/COU	36 Tennyson Road – Change of use to small HMO	Harbour
It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Barnard and agreed to recommend refusal of this application. The Council fully supports the comments submitted by the Housing Officer in that this property is not suitable for change of use to HMO.		
DC/18/3317/FUL	84 All Saints Road - Extend front lounge and roof. Change side roof and extend to rear.	Pakefield
It was proposed by Cllr Barron, seconded by Cllr Knight and agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/18/3253/FUL	46 Long Road - Construction of an extension to form an annexe	Pakefield
It was proposed by Cllr Green, seconded by Cllr Knight and agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/18/3260/ADI	50 – 58 Long Road - Illuminated Advertisement Consent - 4 x Fascias, 1 x door marker, 1 x Dacia Freestanding corner sign, 1 x Renault Totem, 1 x Directional sign, 1 x poster display unit, and 1 x Test Drive Mast	Pakefield
It was proposed by Cllr Green, seconded by Cllr Knight and agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/18/3064/COU	Track Between St Marys School And Kensington Gardens -Change of use of land into D2 Educational/leisure use to allow primary school children to safely utilise the space as a nature garden, including erection of a fence on the western boundary adjacent to the highway on the eastern boundary adjacent to the public footpath	Kirkley
It was proposed by Cllr Barron, seconded by Cllr Knight and agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/18/3350/TCA	8 Corton Road - Trees numbered as per application & plan G1 group of 6 trees mix Lime and Sycamore Re-pollard to previous pollard points. G2 group of Lime & Sycamore Lift lower canopy over access to approx. 5m	Gunton
The Committee were unable to consider this application as no details had been provided with the application.		
DC/18/3122/FUL	19 Grosvenor Road - Change roofing material from slate to concrete	Kirkley
It was proposed by Cllr Frost, seconded by Cllr Parker and agreed to recommend refusal of this application.		
DC/18/3340/VOC	13 Rubens Walk - Variation of Condition No. 2 and Removal of Condition No. 3 of DC/17/5281/FUL - Construction of a carport - car port as built to be retained and remove condition 3 altogether	Gunton
It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Green and agreed to recommend approval of this application subject to Building Control being content with the structure of the car port.		
DC/18/3307/FUL	Flat 1, 13 Marine Parade - Replacement of rear bath window with new white UPVC. Removal of rear bed window and brickwork under to install new white UPVC french doors. Removal of front bed window and brickwork under to install new white UPVC french doors	Kirkley
It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Parker and agreed to recommend approval of this application.		

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398. Planning Determinations

The following planning determinations were noted as contrary to the Town Council’s recommendations.

DC/18/2041/ADN	Angel Hair, 11 Station Square – painted mural of a broadland wildlife species foundation at Carlton Marshes nature reserve. The Town Council had recommend refusal but the application had been approved by the LPA	Harbour
DC/18/2366/ROC	Beach Cottage, 7 Saxon Road – change of use of former public toilet block for form a holiday cottage, remove the holiday accommodation only restriction. The Town Council had recommended refusal and that the property remain as holiday accommodation. The LPA had approved the removal of the condition.	Pakefield
DC/18/2541/FUL	126 The Avenue - The Committee had recommended refusal due to the change to the street scene but the LPA had approved the application.	Pakefield

399. Neighbourhood Planning

At 17.15 it was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Frost and agreed, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to close the meeting to the public to discuss confidential matters. (there were no members of the public present) relating to gaining legal advice in relation to the designation of the Neighbourhood Plan area designation.

It was proposed by Cllr Frost, seconded by Cllr Knights to proceed with the legal instruction and a budget was duly agreed. See confidential file note for further information.

17.25 The meeting was reopened to the public and press.

17.30 Cllr Parker offered his apologies and left the meeting.

400. Sites under ongoing consideration

North Denes – it was agreed to thank the developer for his presentation and ask for a digital copy for circulation to all members. As the presentation had extended to more the originally envisaged (a planning application for a café at North Denes) and now included redevelopment of the whole of the Town Council owned area it was agreed this would be passed to the AID Committee for consideration.

Old Hospital – the position statement supplied by the James Paget Trust was noted. Cllr Houghton had received communication from a resident concerned about the maintenance of the building and artefacts within. Cllr Houghton would provide further details to the Clerk.

CEFAS – Cllr Knight reported that the works were progressing.

401. Licensing- there were no matters to consider

402. Resident infrastructure concerns – .

403. Consultations

An independent review of planning appeal inquiries – had called for evidence of planning appeals but the Town Council were unable to provide any examples.

Gambling Act 2005 – Consultation on a Revised Statement of Principles was noted but no comments would be submitted.

404. Date of the next meeting - 5.00 pm on Tuesday 4 September 2018 and 2.00 pm on Tuesday 18 September 2018.

405. Items for the next Agenda - none. 17.45 Meeting closed

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4 September 2018