

Lowestoft Town Council
Meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee
Held by video conference at 17.00 on Tuesday 21 April 2020

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Sue Barnard, Amanda Frost, Alan Green, Jacqueline Hardie, Peter Knight, Graham Parker and Alice Taylor and David Youngman

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

372. Welcome

The Video Meeting protocol was read and noted. Comments submitted by members of the public had been circulated to Councillors and were noted during the consideration of the relevant applications.

373. Receipt and consideration of acceptance of apologies for absence

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

374. Declarations of Interests and dispensations

Cllr Barnard declared a pecuniary interest in application DC/20/1359/FUL and would be removed from the video meeting when discussion took place on this application.

375. The **Minutes of 7 April 2020** were noted and would be approved at a future meeting.

376. The Planning Authority update newsletter published on 8 April 2020 was noted.

377. Planning applications

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

Reference	Address and Description	District Ward
DC/20/1357/FUL	2 Pennygate Drive - Extend front of the property to create bigger room size and porch	Carlton and Whitton
It was proposed by Cllr Taylor, seconded by Cllr Frost and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/20/1347/FUL	Bluebell Cottage 6A Elm Tree Road West - Single storey front extension.	Carlton and Whitton
It was proposed by Cllr Hardie, seconded by Cllr Barnard and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/20/1348/FUL	51 Hillcrest Drive - Proposed extension and alterations	Gunton and St Margarets
It was proposed by Cllr Parker, seconded by Cllr Green and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of this application.		
DC/20/1359/FUL	Part Rear Garden Of 9 Glebe Close - Construction of detached residential bungalow and all associated works.	Gunton and St Margarets
At 17.23 Cllr Barnard was removed from the video meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Hardie, seconded by Cllr Green and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of this application as presented. At 17.30 Cllr Barnard was admitted to the video meeting.		
DC/20/1403/FUL	4 Yamouth Road - Extensions - two storey and replacement windows to existing property	Gunton and St Margarets
The Council were unable to consider this application as documents were not available on the planning portal.		
DC/20/1306/FUL	Conversion of the Eagle Tavern, 20 Tanning Street - demolitions to the rear, to provide four self contained dwellings with rear gardens and storage buildings.	Harbour and Normanston
It was proposed by Cllr Frost, seconded by Cllr Hardie and agreed (seven votes in favour, one against (Cllr Barnard)) to recommend approval of this application subject to comments from ESC Environmental Protection and the Environment Agency regarding flood risk in the area.		
DC/20/1353/FUL	64 London Road North - Change of use of 1st & 2nd floors from storage to 4 self contained flats (2 X 2-bed and 2 X studios) with new entrance from London Road North	Harbour and Normanston
It was proposed by Cllr Green, seconded by Cllr Frost and unanimously agreed to recommend approval of this application.		

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DC/20/1409/ADI	East Coast College St Peters Street - Illuminated Advertisement Consent - Erect two illuminated signs to the north and south elevations of East Coast College's Tower Block, which is currently being re-clad. The "East Coast College" logo would be manufactured from built up 3D letters standing away from the building with subtle back-lit halo illumination after dark. The overall proposed measurements are: 6500mm W x 4200mm H. The letters will be built-up protruding 3D and each letter individually backlit by a channel	Harbour and Normanston
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It was proposed by Cllr Hardie, seconded by Cllr Barnard and agreed (seven votes in favour, one against (Cllr Youngman)) to recommend approval of this application subject to Suffolk Highways opinion on the proximity of the lighting to the highway, low energy lighting being installed and all illumination is turned off a night when the street lighting in the vicinity is also turned off.

DC/20/1407/FUL	410 London Road South - Replace two windows at the front of the house.	Kirkley and Pakefield
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It was proposed by Cllr Hardie, 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.

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There were none to note.		

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 - there were none to note.

e. The Planning Inspectorate Appeal decision Inspectorate ref APP/T3535/W/19/3220502 was noted: Shaftesbury Court - demolition of former care home building and the construction of 30 retirement apartments with associated car parking. Appeal against refusal of planning permission allowed with conditions.

369. Date of the next meeting – 17.00 on Tuesday 12 May 2020.

370. Items for the next Agenda - none requested

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

Meeting closed at 18.08

Signed:

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