

Lowestoft Town Council

Minutes of Meeting of the Planning Committee

held at 17.00 on Tuesday 8 June 2021 at Whitton Residents Hall, Hawthorn Avenue,
Lowestoft , NR33 9BB

Video meeting participants: Cllrs Peter Knight (Chair), Wendy Brooks, Jacque Hardie, Peter Lang, Andy Pearce and Alice Taylor.

Also participating: Sarah Foote (Deputy Clerk) and James Cox (Administration Assistant)

14. Welcome

The right to report and the application of the video meeting protocol were explained and noted, and the meeting was welcomed.

15. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Green and noted.

16. Declarations of Interests and dispensation

None.

17. The minutes of the meeting of 4 May 2021 were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Taylor, seconded by Cllr Hardie and unanimously agreed.

18. There were no advance comments from the public on any matters on this agenda.

19. Planning applications

a. The following planning applications (all available on www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk) were considered:

Table 1 Planning Applications

Reference	Address and Description	District Ward
DC/21/2347/PN3	8 - 11 Waveney Road - Prior Notification - The development consists of retention of offices to the ground floor and conversion to apartments to the first and second floor. This following the precedence set for buildings immediately adjacent the application site. The design and layout of the apartments ensures all apartment will have external windows to ensure natural light and suitable usage as a residential dwelling.	Harbour and Normanston
It was proposed by Cllr Hardie, seconded by Cllr Brooks and unanimously agreed to recommend support.		
DC/21/2190/PN3	Lowestoft Eastern Energy Facility Battery Green Road - i) Prior Approval under Part 18, Class A of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (GPDO) and ii) approval under the provisions of Regulations 73 to 75 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (the 2010 Habitats Regulations) to carry out works of development in relation to the Lowestoft Eastern Energy Facility (LEEF) - Lowestoft Outer Harbour	Harbour and Normanston
It was proposed by Cllr Brooks, seconded by Cllr Pearce and unanimously agreed to recommend support.		
DC/21/2563/FUL	St Quintins, 74 London Road - Construction of a single storey rear extension	Kirkley and Pakefield
It was proposed by Cllr Hardie, seconded by Cllr Pearce and unanimously agreed to recommend support.		
DC/21/2427/FUL	312 Beccles Road - Demolition of existing rear conservatory and replace with new single storey extension to extend to the rear most part of the house to link together.	Carlton and Whitton
It was proposed by Cllr Hardie, seconded by Cllr Pearce and unanimously agreed to recommend support.		

b. Applications for tree works – it was noted that the Planning Authority had received the following applications for works for trees subject to a tree preservation order (TPO) and/or proposed works to trees within a Conservation Area (TCA).

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Reference	Address and Description	District Ward
DC/21/2440/TCA	24 Corton Road - G1 - Laurel Hedge - remove to low stumps and grind as part of a change to the planting in the front garden G2 - palms and bamboo - remove to low level and grind - clearance for change of landscaping in the back garden T3 - small willow tree - remove to a low stump as part of a change to the planting in the front garden	Gunton and St Margarets
DC/21/2430/TPO	16 Thornham Close - TPO 50 rear garden T1 Oak - Remove co-dominant stem to improve appearance of tree. T2 Oak - Crown lift to 5m. and remove deadwood to improve light to garden.	Kirkley and Pakefield

c. It was noted the Planning Authority had received the following applications for repair/replacement windows within a Conservation Area and this would be assessed in line with East Suffolk Councils window policy scoring system.

Table 2 Applications received by Planning Authority

Reference	Address and Description	District Ward
DC/21/2191/FUL	329 London Road South - Change front windows	Kirkley and Pakefield

20. Consultations

The following consultation were considered:

a. www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/taxi-and-private-hire-policy-consultation

East Suffolk Council revised Taxi and Private Hire policy. It was agreed

It was proposed by Cllr Taylor, seconded by Cllr Hardie and agreed (five votes in favour, one abstention (Cllr Brooks)) that a response is submitted to support the consultation and include comments raised from Cllr Pearce on identifiable cars and passenger safety and by Cllr Knight on the number of under used taxi ranks within the town.

b. Residential development brief - Land north of Union Lane, Oulton - It was agreed

It was proposed by Cllr Taylor, seconded by Cllr Lang and agreed (five votes in favour, one against (Cllr Brooks)) to delegate to the Deputy Clerk to submit a consultation response which detailed concerns for necessary infrastructure (health centres, GPs, schools) being provided to support those who will be living at this new development and that the necessary work was being carried out to protect the former cemetery, burial records and any unmarked graves from when the site was a work house with its own cemetery.

21. Date of the next meeting – 16.30 on Tuesday 22 June 2021

22. Items for the next Agenda. Cllr Pearce requested an update presentation on the Smart Towns initiative. Meeting Closed at 17.35

Signed:

22 June 2021

