

SOUTHWOLD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning and Development Committee held in the Committee Room at the Town Hall, Southwold, at 7pm on Tuesday 1st December 2015

PRESENT: Councillor I R Bradbury
 " J Jeans
 R Temple
 " J A Windell

Also present: The Town Clerk and the High Steward.

BUSINESS

1. **Apologies:** Apologies were received from Cllr Tucker and Cllr Palmer.
2. **Declarations of interest:**
 - a) *To receive any personal declarations of interest regarding the agenda.*
Nil.
 - b) *To receive any pecuniary declarations of interest regarding the agenda.*
Nil.
 - c) *To receive any request for dispensations regarding the agenda.*
Not applicable.
 - d) *To note any lobbying – Nil.*
3. **Standing Orders:** *It was RESOLVED by all to suspend the meeting to allow public participation.*

There were no members of the public present.

The meeting reopened.

4. **Planning:**
 - (a) To determine the Town Council response to the following applications:
 - (i) DC/15/4491/FUL – Extension to hut and extending the change of use, Fisherman's Hut E31, Blackshore, for Mr P Klyne.
It was RESOLVED to refuse the application with the comment that the design/styling is not consistent or in keeping with a working harbour. There were 2 in favour, 2 against and the Chairman used a casting vote to confirm refusal.
 - (ii) DC/15/4518/VOC – Variation of Condition Nos 2 & 4 of DC/14/4245/FUL – Construction of roof extension with dormer windows to front and rear and single storey front and side extensions – alteration to previously approved drawings, 14 Marlborough Road, for Mr D Butler.
It was RESOLVED to approve the application with 3 in favour and 1 abstention.
 - (iii) DC/15/4577/FUL – Refurbishment of existing sash windows, demolition of existing conservatory, construction of an Orangery, removal of rear chimney and convert lean-to Utility Rooms to a Garden room, 8 North Parade, for Mrs J Rumsey.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the application with the comment that the window on the back of the garden room is to be the same style/design as that on the Orangery.

- (iv) *DC/15/4589/FUL & DC/15/4590/LBC – Listed Building Consent – Extension to retail premises and internal alterations to create new first floor residential unit, 84 High Street, for Julie Church.*

It was **RESOLVED** to refuse the application with the comment that it is (a) overdevelopment DM2 and (b) it does not preserve or enhance the area.

- (b) To receive decisions from WDC on previous planning applications:

DC/15/3615/FUL – 9 Spinners Lane	Approved
DC/15/3980/DRC – Waverley, Godyll Road	Discharged
DC/15/4017/DRC – Land adjacent 3 Blyth Road	Discharged
DC/15/3460/FUL – Long Island House, 2 Centre Cliff	Withdrawn

- (c) Any other Planning Matters including:

Appeal by Mrs L McCaig re Dc/15/3438/FUL – 28 South Green. Noted.

Buildings of Local Historic Interest – update on research. There was no further update.
Essex County Council - Conservation Course.

Members were asked to advise the Clerk if they wished to attend. Cllr Jeans advised that the Suffolk Preservation Society are holding a course on the 20th May 2016 to which the members are invited to attend.

Southwold Hospital – planning matters. The community application has been received by WDC and is going through their statutory process. Discussion took place regarding potential funders who may wish to become involved in acquiring the site.

6. **Urgent Business:** to act upon any matter of a planning urgency, within the meaning of the Standing Orders, which may be brought to the attention of the Committee with the consent of the Chairman previously obtained.

Cllr Bradbury advised that for future meetings, members will be shown the WDC planning tracking schedule to review which applications are pending at WDC.

Meeting with WDC Planners – members of the Council met with the Planning Officers in both 2013 and 2014 to discuss matters which are individual to Southwold. It was felt at the present time that communications and understandings had improved over the past year and that no meeting is required at the present time.

Suffolk Design Review Panel – discussion took place as to why the Suffolk Design Review Panel advice to the purchaser of the old Station Road Garage site seemed to be at variance to the advice provided by Waveney District Council planners.

Date of next Planning and Development Committee Meeting:

Tuesday 22nd December 2015 at the Town Hall at 7pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9pm.

Chair

Date