

SOUTHWOLD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning and Development Committee held in the Committee Room at the Town Hall, Southwold, at 5.30pm on Tuesday 5th November 2019

PRESENT:	Councillor	I Bradbury
	“	S Flunder
	“	J Jeans – Chairman
	“	M Ladd
	“	W Windell

Also, present: The High Steward, the Town Clerk and 1 member of the public.

BUSINESS

1. **Apologies:** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Beavan
2. **Declarations of interest:**
 - a) *To receive any declarations of Personal Interest regarding the agenda.*
Nil. Cllr M Ladd declared a personal interest in DC/19/4152/AND & DC/19/4153/LBC.
 - b) *To receive any declarations of Pecuniary Interest regarding the agenda.*
Nil.
 - c) *To receive any request for dispensations regarding the agenda.*
Nil.
 - d) *To receive details of any lobbying to members.*
Nil
3. **To receive and approve Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 22nd October 2019.**
It was RESOLVED by all to approve the minutes of Tuesday 22nd October 2019.
4. **To receive comments from Southwold electors on matters on the agenda** (*each elector will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes – to a total maximum of 10 minutes*).
No comments.
5. **Planning Matters:**
 - (a) **To determine the Town Council response to the following applications:**
 - (i) *DC/19/4137/FUL – New oriel window to South elevation, 9 Spinners Lane.*

Cllr Jeans advised the meeting of the reasons for the previous appeal being refused.

This request seems to be for the creation of a bay window and for changes to the front door by taking out the side windows by the doorway. The Chairman will have a look at the site to verify whether a redesign of the porch is incorporated within this application or whether those works have already been completed. It was considered that the request for the oriel window would not improve the appearance of the property which is in a conservation area, and that the practicality of the roof might be an issue as it creates an incoherent appearance.

- (ii) *DC/19/4059/LBC – Listed Building Consent – Replace a pre-existing door to the right hand side of the property. And to block internal door and hatch opening between shop floor and side entrance, thus separating the access to the upper floors from the shop floor and creating external access to the upper floors without entry to the shop, Mumfords, 66 High Street.*
There were no adverse comments on this application.
- (iii) *DC/19/3984/FUL – Replacement front door, 9 East Green.*
There were no adverse comments on this application.
- (iv) *DC/19/4109/FUL – Enlarged garage, Openview, Godyll Road.*
There were no adverse comments on this application.
- (v) *DC/19/4152/AND & DC/19/4153/LBC – Listed Building Consent/Non Illuminated Advertisement Consent – Signwriting to the front elevation, Crown Hotel, High Street.*

Cllr Ladd did not take part in the discussion or vote on this application.
There were no adverse comments on this application.

(b) Any ESC decisions and matters considered by referral panel? Nil

(c) Any Planning Inspectorate Appeals Lodged? Nil

(d) Other planning matters

Shaping Suffolk Planning – 18th November 2019 – Cllr Jeans attending

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.

The Chairman reported on the visit of Philip Ridley, ESC Chief planning officer, earlier today. Concern was expressed by the Chairman that ESC did not seem to be interested in the new National Design Guide and did not seem to wish to engage in discussions about matters of frustration to Southwold members.

The Chairman had taken Mr Ridley on a visit around some of the Town – to look at some of the properties relating to planning applications which had been recently decided, or those which were presently being considered.

Action arising

- A) Pier Avenue and North Road to be requested for inclusion within the new Conservation Area appraisals. Cllr Jeans to chase for the review to be undertaken as soon as possible.
- B) Local Listings – there are several properties to request be added to Local Listing including 6 Lorne Road.

Cllr Flunder reported the matter of the advertisement for the Hog Hotel Pakefield, which is displayed in a garden. The Chairman advised that she would find out whether any permissions are required.

7. **Date of next Planning and Development Committee Meeting:**
Tuesday 19th November 2019 at 5.30pm.