

SOUTHWOLD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 18th March 2025 at 6pm.

Present; Cllrs; Flunder, Gladwell, Goldsmith, Hurr, Wells. Also, the Town Clerk.

1 - Apologies:

To receive and approve apologies for absence - Apologies were received from Cllr Palmer – approved. Also, from Cllr Temple – noted.

2 - Declarations of interest:

- a. To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest regarding the agenda. Nil.
- b. To receive any declarations of Other Registerable Interests regarding the agenda. Nil.
- c. To receive any declarations of Non-Registerable Interest. Nil.
- d. To receive any request for dispensations regarding the agenda. Nil.
- e. To receive details of any lobbying to members. Cllr Flunder re Museum application
- 3. To approve minutes of meeting of 18th February 2025. Approved by all chair to sign.

4 - To receive comments from the public on matters on the agenda

(each will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes – to a total maximum of 10 minutes). Nil.

6pm - 6.10pm ESC Planning officer attended the meeting on zoom to explain the extent of the new aspects being requested in the application for 17 Market Place. Left at 6.10pm - meeting commenced as below.

5- Planning Matters:

a. To determine the Town Council response to the following applications:

17 Market Place - DC/25/0179/FUL AND DC/25/0567/LBC

Members endorsed the comments contained within the response of Historic England. Mill Lane is of historic character – see Rosemary Cottage which is a Grade 11 listed building. Members agreed that the application created overdevelopment, that the materials were not in keeping with the surrounds and therefore did not support the requirements of the N Plan. There is a lack of parking for this application, and a parking facility – the garage, e is being taken away. There is no provision for a cycle store either. The proposed build will affect the amenity for those in Mews Cottage and take existing light away from several other neighbouring properties.

It is presumed that the gates will open inwards to the site.

It was agreed by all to refuse the application as presented. Further discussion took place about what might be acceptable. Depending on drawings, design, materials the committee agreed that they might not be averse to a single storey dwelling in this location – so long as no further parts of the sites are to be residential.

Dc/25/0505/FUL - Mrs T's - Blackshore

Retrospective application as work has already commenced - but no objections to the application.

Dc/25/0751/LBC - 9/11 Victoria Street

Discussion about why the door is being changed – the design is significantly different to that already in situ and there is no information provided about this. It was felt that the property was of historic character and that any material changes should reflect this. However, the reasons the door was required, for heat retention and accessibility improvements was noted. It was noted that the door cannot be seen from the street. It was suggested that the applicants be asked to retain the door and put it back on the property if they ever moved. Members agreed by a majority to support the request.

- **b. ESC decisions** Noted.
- c. Applications to ESC Committee. Nil
- d. Any Planning Inspectorate Appeals Lodged.
 Nil
- e. Any licence applications/decisions to consider;

Licence application for chairs and tables at Two Magpies.

With the proposed table and 2 chairs in situ, the width of the pavement is in excess of 2m, and therefore adheres to the Suffolk Design Street Guide, and the Department for Transport Inclusive Mobility – A Guide to Best Practice on Access to Pedestrian and Transport Infrastructure As this fits with policy, the Town Council has no objection to the application.

- f. Any consultations to consider. Nil
- g. Other Planning matters Nil
- 6 Date of next Planning and Development Committee Meeting:

Tuesday 1st April 2025 at 6pm.

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