

SOUTHWOLD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning and Development Committee held in the Council Chamber. at the Town Hall, Southwold on Tuesday 3rd August 2021 at 6pm.

PRESENT:	Councillor	J Jeans – Chairman
	“	S Flunder
	“	P Goldsmith
	“	J Sutton
	“	W Windell

Also, present: The Town Clerk and 3 members of the public.
1 member of the public also joined by Zoom.

BUSINESS

1. **Apologies:** To receive apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Cllr Temple and the High Steward.
2. **Declarations of interest:**
 - a) *To receive any declarations of Personal Interest regarding the agenda.* Nil
 - b) *To receive any declarations of Pecuniary Interest regarding the agenda.* Nil.
 - c) *To receive any request for dispensations regarding the agenda.* Not applicable.
 - d) *To receive details of any lobbying to members.* Nil
3. **To receive and approve Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 20th July 2021.**
On the proposal of Cllr Windell seconded by Cllr Goldsmith it was RESOLVED by all to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20TH July 2021.
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.*)

A member of the public spoke with regards to the North Road application which had been submitted for themselves. They advised that they were trying to improve the property and to live in it full time.

5. **Planning Matters:**
 - (a) **To determine the Town Council response to the following applications:**
See attached for details of applications.

- 1) **DC/21/3170/FUL - Side & second floor extension with associated internal & external alterations, 4 Blyth Road. ESC consultation deadline – 28th July 2021.**

Discussion about the parking availability on the site, and whether some front garden could be retained. Roof line and weather boards were also considered.

It was agreed by all that there were no adverse comments on this application but that a comment would be added that the cttee would like to see an extra car parking space provided.

2) DC/21/3146/FUL – Rear extension, 14 Chester Road. ESC consultation deadline – 29th July 2021.

There were no adverse comments on this application.

3) DC/21/3190/FUL – Conversion from two flats back into a single dwelling; extension to rear; new window to front elevation and new dormer to rear; installation of air source heat pump; construction of pergola to rear garden; provision of parking space and internal alterations, 89 Victoria Street. ESC consultation deadline 30th July 2021.

Discussion about the application. It was considered that the new dormers will overlook neighbours.

SCC Parking guidance was referred to, to assess required provision of spaces.

SCC Parking guidance sets out the space required to manoeuvre cars into spaces and the width of space required. The width is presently only 1.7m which is under the required width. There will be a need to go over the front of a neighbour's boundary to get a car into the space at this property. Access is therefore restricted. Members were advised that the front wall has been hit and knocked down several times in the past due to the restricted space.

It will produce a car dominated street scene.

The application refers to policy SWD7 in the N Plan – this application is in a residential zone.

After full discussion it was agreed by all to REFUSE this application on the basis of the above.

4) DC/21/3083/FUL – Residential holiday use of existing Garden Studio, Youngs Yard. ESC consultation deadline – 4th August 2021.

This is a retrospective application for a holiday let. Policies 8.76 and 8.79 and WLP 8.15 were referred to with others from the Waveney Local Plan.

Width of the parking space at 2.7m is below the SCC requirements. The Design and Access statement refers to the process that will be undertaken if the application is turned down.

It was agreed by all to REFUSE the application on the basis of the above.

5) DC/21/3193/FUL – Internal alterations and small extension, 6 Stradbroke Road. ESC consultation deadline 4th August 2021.

There were no adverse comments on this application.

6) DC/21/3306/FUL – Conversion of existing Attic into new Loft Storage area and the creation of a new Access Staircase, The Old House, 49 High Street. ESC consultation deadline 5th August.

There were no adverse comments on this application. It was suggested that a condition be placed that this area could not be used for habitation/ living space.

- 7) **DC/21/3395/FUL – Demolish existing single storey extension and erect new single storey extension, 47 North Road. ESC consultation deadline 10th August 2021.**

There were no adverse comments on this application.

(b) Applications to ESC Committee – Application for Gun Hill Café had been passed by committee. NIL

(c) Any new Planning Inspectorate Appeals Lodged? Nil

(d) Other planning matters:

3 White point Eversley Road – Cllr Flunder explained the situation with regards to a lack of enforcement of the planning conditions. A resident has written to the LPA but has had no satisfactory response. The case does not appear on the ESC list of cases being enforced. The construction has nearly finished but there is no planning approval. Clerk to continue to ask ESC Enforcement for details of action that they are taking, and Cllr Flunder will ask the Ward councillor to follow this through too.

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.

Nil.

7. **Date of next Planning and Development Committee Meeting:** 17th or 24th August 2021 at 6pm.