

## **Update on Station Yard Redevelopment - Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 2018**

The Southwold Town Council's proposal to redevelop Station Yard were discussed at Waveney's Planning and Development Committee on Sept 18<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was attended by six Southwold Councillors and by two other Southwold residents. The Senior Planning Officer, Michaelle Coupe, presented her report, supporting the application, with conditions. One of the conditions was that agreement should be reached with the Planning Office on proposed modifications to the corner building, made in response to public comments at the drop-in. I then gave a brief introduction to the proposal. A resident spoke against the proposal. Nicol Perryman from the architects Ingleton Wood gave a more detailed presentation about the design issues. She and Cllr Windell then answered questions from Committee members. After a discussion by the Committee a vote was taken and the application was approved 7-2.

This is of course just the first stage in the process. At the Southwold Town Council meeting on Sept 25<sup>th</sup> (7.30pm Methodist Hall) we will discuss funding to develop a detailed business plan, consider the conditions imposed on the plan, discuss funding to move to more detailed (RIBA Stage 4) plans, and start to work out details of how to move the garage. Also on the agenda are our proposed parking review, update on the Neighbourhood Plan, and progress on plans to refurbish the Council's properties. As always, members of the public are welcome to attend and there will be an opportunity for them to make a brief statement or ask questions. I will try to allow adequate time for this section.

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