# SOUTHWOLD TOWN COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Planning and Development Committee held in the Council Chamber. at the Town Hall, Southwold on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 6 pm.

PRESENT:

Councillor

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- J Jeans (Chairman)
- " S Flunder
  - P Goldsmith
- " W Windell

# **BUSINESS**

1. <u>Apologies:</u> *To receive and approve apologies for absence.* Apologies were received and approved from Cllr Bradbury and Cllr Temple.

## 2. **Declarations of interest:**

To receive any declarations of Personal Interest regarding the agenda. Cllr Flunder declared a personal interest re Millennium Foundation car park. Cllr Goldsmith declared a personal interest re 3 Fieldstile Road. To receive any declarations of Pecuniary Interest regarding the agenda. Nil. To receive any request for dispensations regarding the agenda. Nil. To receive details of any lobbying to members. Not applicable.

- 3. <u>To receive and approve Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022.</u> On the proposal of Cllr Goldsmith, seconded by Cllr Flunder it was RESOLVED by all to approve the Minutes of Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022. All agreed.
- 4. <u>To receive comments from the public on matters on the agenda</u> (each will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes to a total maximum of 10 minutes). There were no members of the public present.

# 5. Planning Matters:

a. <u>To determine the Town Council response to the following applications</u>: *See attached for details of applications.* 

*i)* DC/22/2429/FUL – Change of use from residential to holiday let, 3 Fieldstile Road. Discussion regarding this application with focus on the application of the Neighbourhood Plan Holiday Let Policy.

To be approved, the application would have to satisfy all 3 criteria within the N Plan Policy. The first is the provision of parking for a minimum of 2 vehicles (this is a 4 bedroom house) within the curtilage, which would not be possible. This is a terraced house with no on-site parking. There was further discussion of the underlying law relating to this Policy and the reasons for filing an objection. The house had previously been occupied by a full time resident and after its sale, the new owner had begun to holiday let the property but under current planning policy, this does not trigger the need for a change of use application. It was agreed that the Chair of the Cttee would speak to the case officer and subsequently forward the cttee response.

Subsequent to the meeting the application was withdrawn.

ii) DC/22/2687/FUL – To build a porch on the side; replace windows and doors; clad exterior walls to first floor; re-lay parking area to the front with new dropped kerb, The Dunes, 40 Ferry Road.

There were no objections to this application.

#### b. ESC decisions and applications to ESC Committee.

47a Marlborough Road noted.

Discussion re 14a St Edmund's Road – DC/22/2491/CLP – CLP denotes Certificate of Lawful permission for development on applications.

- c. Any new Planning Inspectorate Appeals Lodged? Nil.
- d. Other planning matters:

Discussion took place about the LPA's pre app advice to the Millennium Foundation who would like to install a garden shed as a visitor centre/public toilets instead of the previous consented design by Ingleton Wood for a permanent structure. It was agreed that the Committee preferred wood to brick as a more environmentally sustainable material, which is in keeping with the marsh/AONB setting. The LPA final concern is regarding the substantiality of a garden shed. There was discussion about alternative approaches that could satisfy this concern. Cllr Flunder asked if the Chair of the Cttee could speak to the LPA, and it was agreed that this will take place.

## Date of next Planning and Development Committee Meeting:

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2022.

Signed .....

Dated .....