

PLANNING & ROAD TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**SAFFRON WALDEN TOWN COUNCIL**

MINUTES of the PLANNING & ROAD TRAFFIC COMMITTEE held via ZOOM on **THURSDAY 11th June 2020 at 7.30pm**

Councillors: Porch (committee chair), Asker, De Vries, Freeman, Gadd, Hawke-Smith, McLellan and Roberts

Officers: Chloë Fiddy

Members of the public: Louise Dunderdale Saffron Walden Reporter, Gill Hawley, Cllr Eke (not a committee member)

P & RT 198-19	Apologies for absence All councillors were present.
P & RT 199-19	Declarations of Interest Cllrs Freeman, Asker and De Vries declared general non-pecuniary interests as members of Uttlesford District Council.
P & RT 200-19	Public speaking time Ms Hawley spoke on item 6.
P & RT 201-19	Minutes of Previous Meeting The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
HIGHWAYS	
P & RT 202-19	Adaptations to highways rules in Saffron Walden to enable safe return to work and society Committee noted that central government has requested all highways authorities to examine their road networks and put in place amendments which will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enable more people to travel on foot and by bicycle; and • enable safe queueing outside shops and hospitality establishments. Cllr Eke provided an update noting that ECC has not indicated that any funding will be coming from ECC however there are indications that there will be some new 20mph limits implemented in the town of Tuesday and road closures. Cllr Asker noted that Great Chesterford has a 20mph limit therefore there is a precedent.

Signed as a true and accurate record

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	<p>Cllrs discussed the requirements when the schools return.</p> <p>Cllr Gadd said that Littlebury has asked for support with walking and cycling measures to SW Schools.</p> <p>Cllr Eke noted that ECC is not correct when it says it would have to have lots of signs to have a 20mph limit.</p> <p>Cllr Eke will pursue this matter with David Sprunt of ECC.</p>
P & RT 202-19	<p>Residents' parking on Hill Street</p> <p>Ms Hawley spoke on parking on Hill Street. She noted that parking on the opposite side of the road causes large vehicles to mount the pavement on her side of the road and to come very close to her boundary wall.</p> <p>Cllr Eke outlined the process for the application.</p> <p>Cllr Asker noted that the site needs a proper site survey and that NEPP officers should come out to visit the site.</p> <p>Cllr Gadd noted that he would support the application for lines on Hill Street between Market Street and Cates Corner. Cllr Gadd noted he did not support the introduction of lines to the west of the Market Street Junction</p> <p>It was noted that Cllrs Eke and Light are the ward councillors.</p> <p>CF offered to help with a template letter for Ms Hawley's application.</p>
PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
P & RT 203-19	<p>Committee considered and commented upon the following Planning Applications:</p>
A	<p>UTT/20/1134/FUL Removal of existing portacabins and erection of single storey building Saffron Walden Town Football Club Catons Lane Saffron Walden Essex CB10 2DU</p> <p>Cllr Asker declared a non-pecuniary interest.</p> <p>Cllr Freeman noted that a resident had requested the car park be surfaced to reduce dust during the construction. Cllrs Asker and Gadd noted that this may be too onerous and that UDC might apply conditions regarding construction dust.</p> <p>No objections.</p>
B	<p>UTT/20/1143/FUL Application to vary condition 8 (electric vehicle charging points) of application UTT/19/1823/FUL - amendment from 10 no. electric vehicle charge to 4 no.</p>

	<p>electric vehicle charge points. Saffron Walden County High School Audley End Road Saffron Walden CB11 4UH</p> <p>Cllr Porch noted that in this particular application to require 10 charging points would require a new substation and that funding for this new football pitch was tight. Cllr Asker noted that SWTC should lobby the supermarkets to install EV charging points. Cllr Freeman considered that the applicant should install all 10 spaces.</p> <p>There were 7 votes to approve the application and one vote against.</p> <p>SWTC does not object.</p>
C	<p>UTT/20/1187/HHF Addition of first floor and single storey rear extension The Orchard New Road Saffron Walden Essex CB10 1LP</p> <p>Cllrs debated the application.</p> <p>It was resolved to object.</p>
D	<p>UTT/20/1189/DOC Application to discharge condition 2 (details of external materials), 3 (glazing details) and 4 (rooflight details) attached to UTT/19/0324/LB 73 High Street Saffron Walden CB10 1AA</p> <p>No objection subject to approval by Conservation Officer.</p>
E	<p>UTT/20/1200/NMA Non Material Amendment to UTT/14/2003/FUL - Changes to ground floor plan Chalk Place Thaxted Road Saffron Walden Essex</p> <p>No objections</p>
F	<p>UTT/20/1201/HHF Single storey side addition 9 Wynyard Road Saffron Walden CB10 2DG</p> <p>No objections.</p>
G	<p>UTT/20/1225/HHF Demolition of rear conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension 75 Radwinter Road Saffron Walden CB11 3HY</p> <p>No objections.</p>
P&RT 204-19	<p>Scale of applications to be considered by future planning committee meetings</p> <p>Cllr Porch asked whether the planning committee should continue to consider all applications and reported that it has been agreed that UDC planning officers would attend a future meeting to review SWTCs process. Cllr Freeman repeated and echoed comments previously made by the Town Clerk that the planning committee serves a purpose to the community and should continue as is. Cllr Gadd echoed this viewpoint.</p>

	It was agreed that committee wished to make no changes to the current system.
P&RT 205-19	<p>Update on ongoing significant applications</p> <p>Committee received an update on ongoing matters relating to significant planning applications.</p> <p>Cllr Gadd provided an update on the ongoing complaint to UDC planning about previous planning applications.</p>
P & RT 206-19	<p>Urgent information items</p> <p>CF provided an update on the FOI sent to ECC requesting details of ECC spending on highways, pavements and cycling in Uttlesford in the last 5 years, and how that relates to other districts, and the unsatisfactory response, and suggested that she would initially contact the CFO at ECC to double check the response before making a formal complaint, in the hope that a formal complaint would not be necessary, and committee supported this approach.</p>
P & RT 197-19	<p>Date and time of next meeting</p> <p>Thursday 25th June 2020 via Zoom, details to be published on next agenda.</p>

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00 pm.