## **PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE**

## SAFFRON WALDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE held in the Town Hall on **THURSDAY** 11<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 7.30pm

Councillors: Cllrs Freeman, Hawke-Smith (Chair), McLellan and Roberts.

Officers: Georgia Arnold, Committee Clerk

Members of the public: None

P&T	Apologies for absence
156-22	
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs de Vries, Gadd and Gregory.
P&T 157-22	Declarations of Interest
107 22	Cllr Freeman declared a generic non-pecuniary interest as a member of Uttlesford District Council (UDC).
P&T 158-22	Minutes of Previous Meeting
150-22	The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
P&T 159-22	Public speaking time
159-22	There were no public speakers.
	HIGHWAYS
P&T 160-22	Committee noted the written report (attached to the agenda) provided by Cllr Gadd. Members were pleased to see progress is being made with highway issues.
	PLANNING APPLICATIONS
P&T 161-22	Committee considered and commented upon the following Planning Applications:
	All applications were considered against the UDC Local Plan policies dated 2005.
A	<u>UTT/22/1374/LB</u>   Proposed refurbishment including removal of 1960s and 1990s additions and reinstatement of 18th century form; conservation of historic building fabric and reinstatement of historic sliding 'Yorkshire Sash' windows; addition of two
	storey extension to the west elevation and landscaping changes.   Painters Farm Butlers Lane Saffron Walden CB10 2 <sup>ND</sup>
	Resolved: No objections

В	<u>UTT/22/1373/HHF</u>   Proposed refurbishment including removal of 1960s and 1990s additions and reinstatement of 18th century form; conservation of historic building fabric and reinstatement of historic sliding 'Yorkshire Sash' windows; addition of two storey extension to the west elevation and landscaping changes.   Painters Farm Butlers Lane Saffron Walden CB10 2 <sup>ND</sup> Resolved: No objections
С	<u>UTT/22/1888/HHF</u>   Single storey rear extension   86 Thaxted Road Saffron Walden Essex CB11 3AG <b>Resolved:</b> No objections
D	<u>UTT/22/1950/FUL</u> Proposed external works including removal and making good of branch nameplate, night safe, heritage signage, heritage projecting sign, ATM, disabled/pushchair sign and letterbox to be sealed. Infill of existing aperture with stonework to match existing.   12A Market Place Saffron Walden Essex CB10 1HR <b>Resolved:</b> No objections
E	<u>UTT/22/1951/LB</u>   Proposed external works including removal and making good of branch nameplate, night safe, heritage signage, heritage projecting sign, ATM, disabled/pushchair sign and letterbox to be sealed. Infill of existing aperture with stonework to match existing. Internal works including removal of all furniture throughout all levels, decommission of existing basement hoist, removal of counters and associated wall, fixtures, fittings and equipment, removal of ATMs and associated wall and removal of glazed screens and doors to meeting rooms.   12A Market Place Saffron Walden Essex CB10 1HR <b>Resolved:</b> No objections
F	UTT/22/2072/HHF   Section 73A retrospective application for bike storage in front garden.   14 St Johns Close Saffron Walden Essex CB11 4AR <b>Resolved:</b> No objections, committee noted that the application could have likely been under permitted development.
G	UTT/22/1969/HHF   Demolition of garage, erection of single storey side extension, removal of one chimney and a single rooflight to front roof slope to light hallway   28 Audley Road Saffron Walden Essex CB11 3HW Resolved: No objections
Н	<u>UTT/22/2166/CLP</u>   Proposed single storey rear extension to 3m from rear wall of dwelling   60 South Road Saffron Walden Essex CB11 3DN <b>Resolved:</b> No comment
I	UTT/22/2158/HHF   Double garage to back of rear garden, utilising existing drive   Gloriana 36 Audley Road Saffron Walden Essex CB11 3HD Resolved: No objections
J	Conversion of buildings and demolition of buildings to allow redevelopment to provide 96 dwellings, swimming pool and changing facilities, associated recreation facilities, access and landscaping at Former Friends' School, Mount Pleasant Rd, Saffron Walden CB11 3EB - Planning Inspectorate Reference: S62A/22/0000002  Committee noted the written notice (attached to the agenda) inviting public to speak at the hearing taking place on 25/08/2022.
	Prior to the meeting Cllr Gadd advised he is available to speak at the hearing or should he be unable to, Cllr de Vries could attend instead.

	Committee unanimously agreed that SWTC should have a presence and speak at the hearing and Cllr Gadd should attend (or Cllr de Vries if Cllr Gadd is unavailable). Comments to raise are those in our initial objection submitted in May 2022.
	The Committee Clerk will liaise with Cllrs Gadd and de Vries to arrange confirmation of attendance with the Planning Inspector.
P&T 162-22	Uttlesford Design Code
102 22	It was noted that UDC are preparing a new design code for the area and are asking for residents help to better understand the likes and dislikes of the places and landscapes in Uttlesford. This is detailed on the UDC website <a href="https://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/new-design-code">https://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/new-design-code</a> .
	As part of the preparation UDC are running free walking tours, during this meeting committee realised these free walking tours are full and a waiting list has opened instead.
	Cllrs queried how and when written responses can be submitted and where the design code would sit with the emerging Saffron Walden Neighbourhood Plan. The Committee Clerk would raise these queries with UDC and provide an update to members.
P&T 163-22	Update on ongoing significant applications
103-22	The Committee Clerk noted the following:
	<ul> <li>UTT/21/2509/OP, Radwinter Road, 233 dwellings – Rosconn</li> <li>The application is on appeal and the hearing will take place from 6 September.</li> <li>The Rule 6 Party (formed of SWTC and Seward End Parish Council) have submitted three written statements. These have been prepared form AECOM, heritage and landscape specialists.</li> <li>During the appeal process two revised highway drawings have been prepared which are currently being consulted on (until 15/08/2022 at 5pm). These being a proposed traffic light system on Church Street/High Street and a pedestrian link between the appeal site and neighbouring development (Redrow Homes, UTT/21/3565/DFO). Residents and business have been told and the Rule 6 party will make a formal response.</li> </ul>
P&T 164-22	Urgent Information Items
	The Committee Clerk noted that the first Saffron Walden Neighbourhood Plan promotional leaflet will be included in the Walden Local next week (17/08/2022).
P&T 165-22	Date and time of Next Meeting
100-22	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 2022, in the Town Hall at 7.30pm.
	Both the Chair and Deputy Chair gave their apologies for this meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25pm