PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

SAFFRON WALDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE held in the Town Council Offices on **THURSDAY 14th November 2024 at 7.30pm**

Councillors: Cllrs Curtis, Eke, Freeman, Hawke-Smith, McLellan (Chair) and Meloy.

Officers: Deputy Town Clerk Members of the public: None

P&T	Apologies for absence
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229-24	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Ahmed and Gadd.
P&T 230-24	Declarations of Interest Cllr Freeman declared a generic non-pecuniary interest as a member of Uttlesford District Council (UDC). Cllrs Hawke-Smith and McLellan declared generic non-pecuniary interests regarding agenda item 8A, planning application UTT/24/2659/AV as both knew different residents living opposite the application site.
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P&T 231-24	Public speaking time - There were no public speakers.
P&T	Minutes of Previous Meeting 24.10.2024
232-24	The minutes of the 24.10.2024 meeting were approved and signed by the Chair.
	HIGHWAYS
P&T	Standing Item: County Councillor Update
233-24	Committee noted and received the written update provided by the County Councillor.
P&T 234-24	Standing Item: Speeding Committee reiterated the concerns with speeding at Borough Lane/Debden Road, noting a response has not yet been received from ECC since SWTC's open letter was issued, Committee will be informed once a response is received. Committee also noted concerns with speeding at Newport Road and this will be relayed to Essex Police.
P&T 235-24	Committee noted the proposal seeking installation of double yellow lines at Lime Avenue, acknowledging there has been incidents where access has been blocked due to parked cars as reported by several residents. It was resolved: a. To support the request and seek installation of a double yellow line along one side of the road, to prevent access being blocked (which could cause a safety issue). b. Acknowledging North Essex Parking Partnership requires 75% evidential support to consider the scheme, committee requested residents support the gathering of evidence process (i.e., leaflet drops).
	PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P&T 236-24	Committee considered and commented upon the following Planning Applications: All applications were considered against the UDC Local Plan policies dated 2005 and the Saffron Walden Neighbourhood Plan.
Α	UTT/24/2659/AV 1 no. Lidl Flagpole Sign Land South Of Radwinter Road (former Printpack Site) Saffron Walden Resolved: To uphold the previous objections raised, noting whilst the pole height has been reduced it will be erected on a tall plinth adding to the overall height. The proposal continues to breach GEN2 due to its overbearing design and impact on the visual amenity.
В	UTT/24/2628/HHF First floor side extension, single storey rear extension and changes to materials and fenestration. 4 Sedop Close Saffron Walden Essex CB11 4DD Resolved: To object to the proposal due to the overbearing impact on the neighbouring properties breaching GEN2 and GEN4. With the increase in size and scale there must be additional car parking provision to comply with GEN1 and GEN1. Additionally to request the District Ward Councillors call this application into a UDC Planning Committee meeting for decision should it be recommended for approval.
С	<u>UTT/24/2655/LB</u> Partial demolition of lean-to warehouse building and creation of a garden. Change of use to 1 no. dwelling, internal alterations and new façade at 15 Church Street 15 Church Street Saffron Walden Essex CB10 1JW Resolved: No objections
D	UTT/24/2715/FUL S73 application to vary condition 2 (approved plans) of UTT/24/1136/HHF (Proposed single storey rear extension replacing existing extensions)- add 80cm to the length of the previously approved rear extension. 9 Farmadine Grove Saffron Walden Essex CB11 3DR Resolved: No objections
E	UTT/24/2708/LB Repair of damage to boundary flint wall and gate pier supporting gates to an electricity sub-station Electricity Substation London Road Saffron Walden Essex Resolved: No objections
F	UTT/24/2688/HHF Proposed ground floor single storey rear extension, and first floor side and rear extensions 56 Rowntree Way Saffron Walden Essex CB11 4DL Resolved: No objections
G	<u>UTT/24/2658/FUL</u> S73 application to vary condition 2 (approved plans) of UTT/22/0353/FUL (Proposed partial demolition of lean-to warehouse building and creation of a garden, change of use to 1 no. dwelling, internal alterations and new façade - 15 Church Street) - amended plans and elevations. 15 Church Street Saffron Walden Essex CB10 1JW Resolved: No objections
Н	<u>UTT/24/2728/LB</u> Structural repairs to existing cellar. 57-59 Castle Street Saffron Walden Essex CB10 1BD Resolved: No objections
P&T 237-24	Update on ongoing significant applications Committee noted application S62A/2024/0057 at the former Friends School Playing Fields was refused by the planning inspector.
P&T 238-24	Urgent Information Items – no urgent information items were raised.
P&T 239-24	Date and time of Next Meeting Thursday 28 th November 2024 in the Town Hall Saffron Walden at 7.30pm

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm