

WOODBRIIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of an **on-line** meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held on **TUESDAY 14TH JULY 2020** at **6pm**

Councillors:

Present: S Bale, Lady C Blois, G Holdcroft, S Miller, E O’Nolan, R Sanders, A Semmens
(except items 167 - 169 and part item 174)

Apologies: C Walsh

Absent without
Apologies: C Mapey and M Sutton

In Attendance: Locum Town Clerk and one member of the public

Action

167. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Walsh.

168. MEMBERS AND OFFICERS WERE INVITED TO MAKE ANY DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY OR LOCAL NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS THAT THEY MAY HAVE IN RELATION TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND WERE ALSO REMINDED TO MAKE ANY DECLARATIONS AT ANY STAGE DURING THE MEETING IF IT BECOMES APPARENT THAT THIS MAY BE REQUIRED WHEN A PARTICULAR ITEM OR ISSUE IS CONSIDERED, AND TO DEAL WITH DISPENSATIONS AS REQUESTED BY INDIVIDUAL COUNCILLORS IN LINE WITH S33 OF THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

Councillor Holdcroft declared a pecuniary interest in item 182 planning application DC/20/2288/TCA as a neighbour to the property.

Councillor Bale declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 180 as she knew the applicant for planning application DC/20/2417/FUL

Councillor Sanders declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 182 as he knew the neighbour of planning application DC/20/2295/FUL.

169. COUNCILLORS WITH A PECUNIARY INTEREST IN AN ITEM ON THIS AGENDA, WHO WISH TO REMAIN, SPEAK AND/OR VOTE DURING CONSIDERATION OF THAT ITEM, MAY APPLY FOR A DISPENSATION BY WRITING TO THE TOWN CLERK PRIOR TO THE MEETING. APPLICATIONS MAY ALSO BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING ITSELF SHOULD THE NATURE OF THE INTEREST BECOME APPARENT TO A COUNCILLOR AT THE TIME OF THE MEETING

There were no requests for dispensations.

170. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A member of the public objected strongly to planning application DC/20/2417/FUL at 32 The Thoroughfare as the application and supporting documentation was both inaccurate and repeatedly (this being the third such application) deliberately misrepresented. The development would cause intrusive overlooking of their property, and at the same time obstruct the light reaching their windows.

With the agreement of the Committee the Chair dealt with planning application DC/20/2417/FUL as the next item.

The Chair reported that a site visit had been arranged for 21st July at 10.30am and the Committee agreed to defer a decision until a further meeting of the Committee to be held on 22nd July at 6pm.

171. CONFIRMATION OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Committee agreed and approved the signing of the minutes of the meeting held 30th June 2020 as a true record.

172. TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

The Council agreed their comments as set out below: -

Application No and Address	Committee Comments
DC/20/1820/LBC - 10 Market Hill	We recommend APPROVAL
DC/20/2258/FUL - 60 Old Barrack Road	We recommend APPROVAL
DC/20/2227/FUL - 35 Bredfield Street	We recommend APPROVAL
DC/20/2228/FUL - Carthew Court, 11 Station Road	Councillor Holdcroft absented himself from the meeting at this point, but was invited back and granted a dispensation in order that he could provide information on the trees. Councillor Holdcroft and Semmens abstained from voting. We recommend APPROVAL

DC/20/2319/FUL - The Red House 44Cumberland Street	The Committee agreed to defer a decision until after a site visit.
DC/20/2413/TCA 138 Castle Street	We recommend APPROVAL
DC/20/2121/FUL 34 Ipswich Road	We recommend APPROVAL
DC/20/2295/FUL The Crown Hotel, 2 The Thoroughfare	We recommend APPROVAL
DC/20/2461/TCA 19 St Johns Street	We recommend APPROVAL

173. TO AGREE TO RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL TO REGISTER AS AN “INTERESTED PARTY” IN THE PRE-EXAMINATION PROCESS FOR SIZEWELL C

The Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that the Council register as an “interested party” in the pre-examination process for Sizewell C.

174. TO AGREE TO PREPARE, FOR RECOMMENDATION TO FULL COUNCIL, A SHORT-WRITTEN SUMMARY OF THE COUNCIL’S VIEWS ON SIZEWELL C TO ACCOMPANY THE REGISTRATION PROCESS

The Committee agreed to prepare, for recommendation to Full Council, a short-written summary of the Council’s views on Sizewell C to accompany the registration process. Councillors Holdcroft, O’Nolan, and Sanders agreed to compile the short summary, with assistance from interested members of the public and input from other local authorities, with a view to its acceptance at the September meeting of Full Council.

175. TO AGREE TO PREPARE, FOR RECOMMENDATION TO FULL COUNCIL, A SHORT-WRITTEN SUMMARY OF THE COUNCIL’S VIEWS ON SIZEWELL C ENVIRONMENTAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS

The Committee agreed to prepare, for recommendation to Full Council, a short-written summary of the Council’s views on Sizewell C Environmental Permit applications, and to seek assistance from TASC to do so. Councillors Holdcroft, O’Nolan, and Sanders agreed to compile the short summary, with assistance from interested members of the public.

176. TO NOMINATE TWO COUNCILLORS TO ATTEND THE VIRTUAL CONSULTATION EVENT ON SIZEWELL C ORGANISED JOINTLY BY SUFFOLK COUNTY AND EAST SUFFOLK COUNCILS

The Committee nominated Councillors O’Nolan and Sanders to attend the virtual consultation event on Sizewell C organised jointly by Suffolk County and East Suffolk Councils.

177. TO CONSIDER A CONTRIBUTION TO FRIENDS OF THE EARTH TO ENABLE THE ENGAGEMENT OF TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS TO OPPOSE THE SIZEWELL C APPLICATION

The Committee agreed to contribute £660.00 to Friends of the Earth to enable the engagement of technical specialists to oppose the Sizewell C application.

178. CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 7.24pm.

Councillor Miller
Chairman