



BUNGAY TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of the Planning, Environment & Highways Committee Meeting held on Thursday 16th July 2020 at 6.00 p.m. As permitted by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 No.392 this meeting will be conducted “online”.

Members:

Cllr. R. Marshall (RM) Chair Cllr. K Lodge (KL) Deputy Chair Cllr. B. Prior (BP) Cllr. L. Harnden (LH)
Cllr. D. O’Neill (DO’N) Cllr. L. Richardson (LR) Cllr. S. Thompson (ST)

Also present: J. Burton (JB) Clerk. J Cloke (JC) District Councillor and 5 members of the public.

PE&H-027 **Apologies for Absence:** To receive any apologies for absence.
2020/2021

Apologies were given for LR. No apologies were given for DO’N who was also absent from the meeting. – **Noted.**

PE&H-028 **Declaration of Interest & Requests for Dispensations:** Councillors to declare any Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests. Notwithstanding this item, Members may subsequently declare an interest at any point in the meeting.
2020/2021

A non-pecuniary interest was declared by KL for agenda Item PE&H-030 2020/2021, Planning Application DC/20/1910/FUL as this is a neighbouring property to his own residence. – **Noted.**

PE&H-029 **Public Forum:**
2020/2021 Members of the public are invited to give their views on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration, at the discretion of the Chairman, for no more than 15 minutes. Members of the public may not take part in the Committee meeting itself

No members of the public wanted to speak at this point of the meeting – **Noted.**

PE&H-030 **To approve the minutes outstanding:**
2020/2021 To approve the minutes of the Planning, Environment & Highways Committee Meetings – 2nd July 2020.

It was proposed by BP, seconded by KL, and unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Planning, Environment & Highways Committee Meeting held on 2nd July 2020 with no alterations and these minutes to be signed by the Chair (RM).

PE&H-031 **Planning Applications:**
2020/2021 **To consider the following planning applications:**

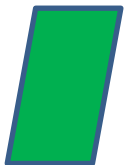
DC/20/2488/TPO	25 Trinity Street Bungay Suffolk NR35 1EH	Walnut - Fell to ground level another Walnut has already been planted as well as many other trees. Reason: tree dying/diseased it is leaning badly and shedding fruit
DC/20/1910/FUL	69 Beccles Road Bungay Suffolk NR35 1HT	Moving front bedroom window forward and alterations internally. Extension to rear. Loft Conversion.

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DC/20/2426/LBC Wharton House 11 External (to the rear and not on the highway) and internal alterations to grade 2 listed residential properties to facilitate use as a single dwelling. Properties are 11 Wharton St and 18 Trinity St Bungay, post codes respectively NR35 1EL and NR35 1EH. Re-opening of attic door between the properties which is part of this application occurred at an earlier stage to allow emergency access to 18 Trinity St where the aged, blind registered and disabled parent of one of the applicants was living.

DC/20/2488/TPO - 25 Trinity Street Bungay Suffolk NR35 1EH - Walnut - Fell to ground level another Walnut has already been planted as well as many other trees. Reason: tree dying/diseased it is leaning badly and shedding fruit

It was proposed by BP, seconded by KL, and unanimously RESOLVED that these plans are recommended for APPROVAL with no comments.

DC/20/1910/FUL- 69 Beccles Road Bungay Suffolk NR35 1HT - Moving front bedroom window forward and alterations internally. Extension to rear. Loft Conversion

As KL had declared a non-pecuniary interest in this application, he played no part in the discussion – Noted.

It was proposed by ST, seconded by BP, and RESOLVED that these plans are recommended for APPROVAL with no comments

DC/20/2426/LBC - Wharton House 11 Wharton Street Bungay Suffolk NR35 1EL - External (to the rear and not on the highway) and internal alterations to grade 2 listed residential properties to facilitate use as a single dwelling. Properties are 11 Wharton St and 18 Trinity St Bungay, post codes respectively NR35 1EL and NR35 1EH. Re-opening of attic door between the properties which is part of this application occurred at an earlier stage to allow emergency access to 18 Trinity St where the aged, blind registered and disabled parent of one of the applicants was living.

It was proposed by KL, seconded by ST, and unanimously RESOLVED that these plans are recommended for APPROVAL with no comments.

It was noted that the application form erroneously contained the name of Bungay Town Council in the address details.

PE&H-032 National Rural Strategy Consultation – For Consideration.
2020/2021 It was commented that the deadline of 27th July to receive comments on this consultation was too short.

JB to send this consultation to the Bungay NDP for their comments – **Noted.**

It was proposed by BP, seconded by LH, and unanimously RESOLVED that committee members send in their comments to RM by 21st July 2020. RM to collate these comments and reply to the consultation on behalf of the Town Council and circulate this document to JC and David Ritchie for their information.

PE&H-033 AP/20/0050/REFUSE – ESC Planning Reference DC/18/4104/OUT, Land Off Pilgrims Way, Bungay –
2020/2021 For Consideration.

It was proposed by BP, seconded by KL, and unanimously RESOLVED that Standing Orders be suspended to allow JC and members of the public to speak on this agenda item.



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A discussion took place involving all present at the meeting on this Appeal Under Section 78 to the Secretary of State by Halsbury Homes Ltd against the decision of East Suffolk Council.

It was outlined that the Planning Inspectorate will look at all issues originally raised including access, habitat / environment, housing density and transport as well as the main objection which is flooding. Considerable discussion took place around the access difficulties to the proposed development, and there were significant concerns about the risk to established wildlife.

As well as Bungay Town Council's objections there were another 35 objections from residents. It was felt that Suffolk County Council Highways Department had not dealt with this application appropriately.

DO'N arrived at the meeting at 6.33 pm and gave his apologies. – **Noted.**

The residents present said that they will ask objectors to write in again to the Planning Inspectorate and also appeal to the public for photographs showing flooding of the land to be developed. It was commented on that the recent flood assessment had been commissioned by the developers and this new flood risk grading had not been challenged enough.

DO'N will ask a former resident's family, and JC will ask the Bungay Museum curator, for photographs of the land being flooded – **Noted.**

It was proposed by RM, seconded by DO'N, and unanimously RESOLVED that Bungay Town Council will photocopy leaflets produced by residents that they will produce and deliver to nearby resident's houses.

PE&H-034 Date of next meeting – 6th August 2020 – For information.
2020/2021

The meeting closed at 6.53 pm

Minutes Dated: 17th July 2020

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