

**Draft MINUTES of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 8.00pm in The Cell, The Old Court House, Bridge Street.**

**1. Apologies:**

None – all members present.

**2. Present:**

Clls D Beal, P Collins, C Eastwood, S Garrett (Chairman), P Wraight.

**3. In Attendance:**

Mr J Overbury (Deputy Town Clerk)

**4. Declarations of Interest:**

Cllr D Beal declared an interest in 11 (Persimmon) and signed the Interest Book.

**5. Minutes of previous meeting:**

Cllr Garrett proposed the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019 (circulated in draft form prior to the meeting) which was seconded by Cllr Eastwood with all in favour.

The Chairman then signed the minutes.

**6. Public Comment:**

None.

**7. To note any planning decisions received prior to the meeting:**

None received.

**8. To consider any Planning applications received prior to the meeting:**

None received.

**9. ESC Potential Referral of planning applications:**

None.

**10. Correspondence received since the last meeting:**

10.1 Email from resident concerning new windows at 25 New Road:

The DTC was asked to investigate the original planning requirements and to establish if there were any future covenants on the design of the windows. The DTC would also advise the correspondent of the Town Council's actions.

10.2 Email regarding houses on Station Road:

Cllr Garrett proposed to draft a reply along the lines of 'given the Town Council has not received a formal planning application it cannot give a formal comment. However, as the correspondent points out the site is outside the areas allocated for housing development within the Neighbourhood Plan, and neither the Neighbourhood Plan nor the Draft Local Plan foresee any further development in the town until 2031'.

**11. Non-Compliance and other issues relating to the Persimmon developments:**

It was noted that the new fence had not been erected, only sporadic planting had occurred and there was no movement on the second bus shelter.

**11.1 Next Liaison meeting:**

The DTC read out an email from Katherine Scott informing the Town Council the reason for the delays – expected to last for a further two weeks. The DTC was asked to remind ESC of their commitment in two weeks' time.

**12 Local plan review:**

Cllr Garrett read the email the DTC had received from ESC in response to the request to tell the Town Council the exact formula used to determine the increase in the planned number of houses from 50 to 100. This did not give that answer but referred to the local plan inspectorate process. The DTC was asked to email ESC again to the effect of 'The Town Council understands the overall housing increase is driven firstly by National then County authorities before the District makes its determination. However, given that some neighbouring parishes were not required to increase the number of planned dwellings would ESC please explain the formula used for Framlingham.'

**13 Analysis of parking at the Woodyard:**

The DTC was asked to write to CCllr Burroughes and DCllr Cook and illustrate the Town Council's perception that its expert local knowledge and views were often ignored by the District Council. Using the experience over the Woodyard as an example of how both the Town Council's view and the guidelines were ignored, the email would call for a change in attitude by the District Councils Planning Department. The DTC suggested

that in future applications such as the Woodyard, a greater analysis and cross referencing against guidelines be undertaken before the meeting. This was agreed.

**14 Hopkins homes Meeting: 4/7/19:**

Cllr Collins outlined the substance of the meeting with Hopkins Homes.

**15 Asset of Community Value applications:**

15.1 Foresters Hall:

No further news received.

**16 2018/19 Action Plan:**

Cllr Garrett asked the members of the Committee for suggestions for further documents to be referenced in the Action Plan, as well as kept in the Town Council Office.

**17 Matters of report or items for next agenda:**

None.

**18 Next meeting date:**

*Monday 16th September 2019 at 8.00pm* (Approximate timing – to follow the Rights of Way, Highways & Lighting Committee meeting)

NO MEETING IN AUGUST

The Meeting Closed at 9:40pm.