



Present: Councillors;
A Fleming, K Greenberg (Chair), S Leverett, M Took, D Wollweber

In Attendance: N Rees (Town Clerk), 4 members of the public

Minutes

1. **Apologies:** Cllr P Dutton, Cllr K Forster, Cllr A Payne, Cllr D Thomas,
2. **Declarations of interest:** To receive declarations for pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests: None received
3. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th June 2017 were accepted as a true record.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes.** There were no matters arising
5. **Planning Applications:** To consider the following:
 1. DC/17/2284/FUL - Extension to front entrance to provide WC - 8 Wissett Close Halesworth Suffolk IP19 8PT. The Committee recommended **approval**.
 2. DC/17/2187/FUL - Second storey extension including rear dormer window - 12 Mill Hill Drive Halesworth Suffolk IP19 8DB. It was noted that there had been no objections from neighbouring properties recorded online. The Committee recommended that the application is **approved**.
 3. DC/17/2449/FUL – Construction of a detached chalet bungalow – Lynton, Norwich Road Halesworth IP19 8HS. It was noted that there had been no objections recorded online. The Committee recommended **approval subject to compliance with Suffolk Highways recommendations for the provision of an adequate on-site parking and manoeuvring space**.
 4. Review of the revised pre-application plans for 200 houses at Roman Way/Chediston Street. It was noted that this was to offer comments only to Pegasus Group who were representing Christchurch Land Acquisition and Development. The Committee would withhold any decision until a planning application had been received. The Chair had prepared a report on this proposal which included an overview of the town in relation to other proposed large developments in Halesworth. The report did not indicate or reflect any

predetermination by the Committee or the Council for any future application but the intention was to give feedback on the proposed scheme in the context of other proposed developments in the town. The Committee agreed that the report in general offered useful feedback for not only the Pegasus Group but also WDC's Planning department. It was then agreed to send the report to Pegasus Group, WDC Planning Dept, Theresa Coffey MP, Chair of Holton PC and WDC District Cllrs.

Forum Meeting – 14th September at Edgar Sewter School. During discussions on this proposed development the Committee considered the format of the Forum meeting in September. It had been agreed that this meeting would largely focus on the various Planning proposals in the town and would be an opportunity to gauge the public reaction. It was agreed that WDC Planners should be invited to attend the meeting for the purposes of advising the community on Planning Policy in general and in turn this would provide the Planners an opportunity to facilitate an expression of the public opinion at that meeting. It was noted that WDC had initially declined a meeting with HTC at this time but indicated by email that they would meet with HTC when the next round of the new Local Plan presentations were underway. Cllr Fleming noted from the 'In Touch' magazine that the final approval for the Local Plan was not until May 2018 but the latest draft was expected to be out in September. It was therefore not possible to determine whether HTC will have met with WDC Planners before the Forum Meeting. It was agreed that this should be treated separately and the Clerk would draft an invitation letter to the WDC Planners for the Forum meeting and circulate this to the Committee members. As all these major developments represented a significant impact on the town and there were increasing concerns over infrastructure it was also agreed to also invite Theresa Coffey MP to the Forum meeting.

6. **Correspondence** – To consider any correspondence. The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from East Suffolk (WDC & SCDC partnership) inviting application to the new 'E-Consultation' planning platform. The Clerk reported that the letter did not make it clear how this differed from the existing Planning Portal which HTC currently used. It was agreed that the Clerk would investigate further and report back.

The meeting was closed at 6.25pm