

# ATTLEBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

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# **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee Held on Monday, 21 September 2015 at 6.30 pm in the Town Hall

#### Present:

Cllr T Perkins – presiding

Cllr G Ellis Cllr R Bond Cllr M Weaver Cllr S Taylor Cllr G Dickerson Cllr E Tyrer

In attendance – Gina Lopes – Clerk to Attleborough Town Council

Dist Cllr Martin

## 061.15) Appointment of meeting Chairman

On the motion of Cllr Weaver, seconded by Cllr Bond, it was **RESOLVED** to appoint Cllr Perkins as meeting Chairman in the absence of the Committee Chairman

## 062.15) Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted as follows:-

Cllr T Crouch - personal

# 063.15) Declarations of Interest

a) To consider declarations of interest in respect of items below

Declaration of interest were received as follows:-

Cllr Dickerson - 3PL/20150546/O – Former Grampian Food Site
Cllr Weaver - 3PL/20150546/O – Former Grampian Food Site **b)** To receive any requests for dispensation of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest –
None received

#### 064.15) Public Participation

No comments received

# <u>065.15) Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on 7 September 2015</u>

**RESOLVED** to accept and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 7 September 2015, subject to the minor amendment below, as a true and accurate record of the meeting and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman

Min 053.15 - add "Cllr E Tyrer"

## 066.15) Decision notices received to-date

Decision notices on planning applications were noted for information as follows:

**3PL.2015/0825/F – 26 Fairfield Road** – Single storey front extension – Approved with conditions

**3PL/2015/0779/F – Hulsig, Hargham Road** –Amendment to permission

3PL/2015/0196/F - Access - Approved with conditions

**3PL/2015/0395/F – 113 Besthorpe Road –** Erection of 2 residential dwellings (semi-detached) – Approved with conditions

**3PL/2015/0845/F – Teal Press Ltd, Units 21-22, Bunns Bank Road** – Proposed single storey extension to rear of existing industrial unit 22 – Approved with conditions

**3PL/2015/0744/F – Laburnum House, London Road –**Conversion of outbuilding to annex (ancillary to the dwelling) – Approved with conditions

**3PL/2015/0712/CU – East Anglian Children's Hospices, 22 Exchange Street** – C/U category A1 (shops) to B1A (offices) property will be used for running a domiciliary care agency – Approved with conditions

# 067.15) Correspondence

- a) Notification of Committee 3PL/2015/0486/F Land adjacent to Hawthorndon, London Road Reported as approved and noted for information
- b) Notification of Committee 3PL/2014/1264/F Phase 3, 4 and 5 Land at Carvers Lane Reported as approved and Cllr S Taylor confirmed she had attended the Committee meeting as well as the Mayor and Cllr Crouch. Cllr S Taylor wished to express her thanks to Dist Cllr Martin and also Dist Cllr Joel (Old Buckenham) for their input at the meeting; she expressed disappointment that the objections from the two district councillors that lived closest to the site were not sufficient to achieve a refusal. Discussed and noted that there would be an education contribution of £400,000 and library provision, also 30% of the site allocated for affordable homes
- c) Resident's letter re: 3PL/2014/1264/F Phase 3, 4 and 5 Land at Carvers Lane Noted for information and the Clerk confirmed she had sent a reply to the resident and also forwarded a copy of the letter to Breckland Council
- d) Resident's letter re: Speed limit on London Road Briefly discussed and the suggestion of SAMs considered. The Clerk was asked to inform the resident that this issue would be considered within the Neighbourhood Plan and that members would not want to progress yet. The resident's comments and the information on SAMs to be passed to the Neighbourhood Plan Group

## 068.15) Planning Applications received to-date

To make observations on the following planning applications:

**3PL/2015/0945/F – Woods End, Hargham Road** – Formation of new games room and utility room in existing garage, Single storey extension on south-east side – No objections

**3PL/20150546/O – Former Grampian Food Site, Buckenham Road** –Demolish buildings and erect up to 165 homes, together with public open space and associated infrastructure (Outline) – Amended access plan, illustrative masterplan.

design and access statement, ecology survey and geophysical survey – No objections: concern raised as to the appropriateness of White House Lane, visibility for traffic entering the Lane and would require improvements; request for clarification of whether both accesses are vehicular. The Council would seek that the development complies with the objectives of Attleborough's emerging Neighbourhood Plan as listed below:

- **CO 1** To view the town as one development area, with strong links and connections to its hinterland and beyond.
- **CO 2** To preserve and enhance the historic centre of the town and history.
- CO 3 To identify new employment land which can be developed and to encourage new industry to the town in order to provide a wide range of employment opportunities.
- **CO 4** To promote the integration of Business and Attleborough Academy Norfolk as partners in reducing the perceived local employability skills gap.
- CO 5 To integrate the new housing and facilities into the town with the necessary footpath and cycle ways and address the outstanding traffic congestion in the town centre, becoming an exemplar of sustainable transport within the region.
- CO 6 To provide housing which meets the needs of all, with a range of housing including sufficient affordable, older living developments and housing type which will encourage entrepreneurs and professional people to live in the community.
- **CO 7** To provide excellent health and community facilities within the town focusing on a single health and social care facility in the town centre.
- CO 8 To provide excellent new and improved sport and leisure facilities for the community working with Attleborough Academy Norfolk and sport and community clubs.
- **CO 9** To promote all new buildings incorporate the highest standards of design, new build methodology, materials and energy saving techniques.
- CO To protect the natural environment and provide additional high quality open
- 10 space.
- CO To promote and enhance the attractiveness and offer of the town to
- investors, developers and visitors building on its heritage and attractions.

**3PL/2015/1039/F – Land behind nos 23 and 21 Connaught Road** – Sub-division of rear gardens to nos 23 and 21 to form new residential development for 2 no. single storey dwellings - Concerns with access and sets a precedent within a conservation area and impact on the street scene; concern as to what impact this new development and access will have re LEP £4.6million investment and reconfiguration of town's network

## 069.15) Date of Next Meeting

Monday, 5 October 2015