

KESSINGLAND PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the
Planning & Highways Committee
At 10.00am on
Wednesday 10th January 2024
held in the Council Chamber, Marram Green

Members present: Councillors C. Carter, M. Dunne (Chair), N. Glendinning, I. Graham & L. Truman

Other Cllrs in attendance: None

Others present: None

Clerk to the Meeting: N. Coleby (Clerk), S. Hogg (Deputy Clerk), D. Blowers (Admin & Committee Clerk)

176. Chair's welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the meeting protocol.

177. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs De Brea, Green & Saunders. Cllr Dunne proposed acceptance of the apologies. This was seconded by Cllr Truman with all in favour.

178. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests from councillors on items on the Agenda and although there are no written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests nor dispensations granted, an ongoing request for dispensation have been received from Cllr Green in respect of his role as district councillor and for Cllr Truman in respect of her roles within Kessingland Help in Need & Kessingland CofE Primary Academy.

179. Minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr Dunne proposed that the minutes of Planning and Highways Committee meeting held on 13th December 2023 be adopted as an accurate record of the meeting, this was seconded by Cllr Truman with all in favour. Cllr Dunne also proposed that the minutes of Planning and Highways Committee meetings held on 27th December 2023 be adopted as an accurate record of the meeting, this was seconded by Cllr Glendinning with all in favour.

180. Public participation on Planning Applications.

None

181. Planning Applications to be considered

181.1 To consider DC/23/4789/FUL | Proposed rear extension and internal alterations. | 44 Whites Lane Kessingland Lowestoft Suffolk NR33 7TG.

The committee discussed this application and concerns were raised that the window on the side of the property could overlook the neighbouring property, but it was noted that there hadn't been any objections submitted regarding this. Councillors were satisfied that this application adheres to the Kessingland Neighbourhood Plan, therefore Cllr Glendinning proposed that the committee recommend approval of this application. This was seconded by Cllr Truman with all in favour.

181.2 To consider the councils formal response to planning application DC/23/4255/FUL | Hybrid application | Land East Of London Road Kessingland.

Councillors discussed this response at length and the committee thanked Cllr Carter for the extensive work she has put into providing information regarding this development.

Cllr Carter and the Clerk will prepare the final response for East Suffolk which will be circulated to all Councillors. Due to the time scales involved it was agreed that approval of the draft would come before the Chairs of the Council and Planning Committee, feeding in any comments from Councillors. The deadline for submission is 25th January. Council are still waiting for some of the information requests that have been made regarding this development and these will be chased up next week. A group of Councillors will be meeting with Peter Aldous MP to apprise him of the situation, and legal advice is being sought in case the permission is approved to see what the Councils options with regard to seeking a judicial review would be. Councillors agreed that the Clerk should write to the leader and CEO of East Suffolk with regards to the Council's concerns' over the handling of some planning applications within the village. Councillors noted that the Clerk has requested a meeting with an officer from Anglian Water to discuss residents concerns regarding flooding in the village and Council felt that this should be strongly followed up as some residents are living with serious fears every time there is heavy rainfall.

182. To receive East Suffolk Council (ESC) responses to Planning Applications.

None

183. Public Consultations

None

184. Other Planning Matters

184.1 To consider any updates on the Peregrine Way matter.

It was noted that the owner of the parcel of land in question has been contacted and has been asked if they would be in a position to grant the council the power to restore it to its intended use, that being of Public Green Open Space. A response is awaited and will be reported at the next meeting.

185. Date of next meeting.

It was noted that the date of the next meeting is scheduled for 10am Wednesday 24th January 2024.

Please note that this meeting is a joint meeting with Suffolk Highways and this part of the meeting will commence at 10.30am.

186. Items for the next agenda

It was noted that due to the frequency of Planning Committee meetings, items for the next agenda need to be received by the Friday immediately following this meeting (with the exception of planning applications).

187. Exclusion of the Press & Public

That in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and the Local Government Act 1972 (Sections 100 and 102), the public and press be excluded for the remaining items of business due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted including contractual and personnel related matters.

None

188. Close of meeting.

The meeting closed at 11.00am.

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I certify that these are accurate minutes of the above meeting as approved at a meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee held on the

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Signed

Cllr M. Dunne,

Chair, Planning & Highways Committee

Dated