

PLANNING & ROAD TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**SAFFRON WALDEN TOWN COUNCIL**

MINUTES of the PLANNING & ROAD TRAFFIC COMMITTEE held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER of the TOWN HALL on **Thursday 8th November 2018 at 7.30pm**

Present:

Councillors: Coote, Eastham, K Eden, S Eden, Fairhurst, Freeman, Gadd and Shah

Officers: C. Fiddy Saffron Walden Town Council

Speakers: D. Davey

P & RT 666-18	Apologies for absence All members were present
P & RT 667-18	Declarations of Interest Cllrs Fairhurst and Freeman declared generic non-pecuniary interests as UDC Councillors. Cllrs Eastham and Gadd declared non-pecuniary interests in Agenda Item 9d as members of Save the Railway Arms.
P & RT 668-18	Public Speaking Time A member of the public spoke on items 9d and 10.
P & RT 669-18	Minutes of the Planning and Road Traffic meeting on 25th October 2018, at 7.30pm The minutes were agreed and signed.
P & RT 670-18	Traffic Regulation Order Committee noted works undertaken on High Street on 28 th October.
P & RT 671-18	The Essex County Council (Uttlesford District) (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (Amendment No.62) Order 201* Committee noted the proposed order and a verbal update on bus provision and speed restrictions from the officer. It was specifically noted and Resolved: i) The Committee noted and expressed concern over the wording of the Statement of Reasons referring to “up to 230 dwellings” despite the fact that the associated and approved planning application UTT/13/3467/OP had been for

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	<p>200 dwellings. Officers would contact Essex Highways and Uttlesford District Council Planning department to seek clarification on this point.</p> <p>Cllrs Fairhurst and Freeman left the room, Cllr Gadd took the chair.</p> <p>ii) Noting that under the terms of the planning approval the bus service is due to commence upon the occupation of the 50th dwelling, officers will ask UDC to confirm how many dwellings are already occupied.</p> <p>iii) Noting that the Statement of Reasons for the proposed order includes “the restrictions will allow for [...] increased manoeuvrability of buses”, the Committee has no objection to the proposed order, subject to it coming into force at the same time as the buses.</p> <p>iv) The Committee would object to No Waiting At Any Time Restrictions being placed elsewhere in the development because parked cars can keep traffic speeds low in residential areas.</p> <p>v) Noting that the roads within the development are relatively straight which may encourage speeding, and noting that residents on a comparably designed nearby recently completed development are requesting 20mph speed zones, the Committee requests that Essex Highways requires the developer to install a 20pmh zone in the form of physical speed limiting measures on this development, in conjunction with the current proposals.</p> <p>Cllrs Fairhurst and Freeman returned to the room.</p>
<p>P & RT 672-18</p>	<p>Community speed Watch Training Session</p> <p>Committee noted that Essex Highways is delivering a community speed watch training session at the Town Hall 16th November at 2pm.</p> <p>Attendance open to all and free of charge, but must be booked.</p>
<p>P & RT 673-18</p>	<p>Appeal Dismissed UTT/17/1220/LB - 64 Debden Road CB11 4AB</p> <p>The works proposed were removal of a section of wall and installation of oak gates and dropped kerb.</p> <p>Committee noted the conclusion of the planning officer.</p>
<p>P & RT 674-18</p>	<p>Planning Applications:</p> <p>The following planning applications were considered and responses agreed:</p>
<p>A</p>	<p>UTT/18/2853/FUL Change of use from 1 no. dwelling into 2 no. dwellings, The Priory 2-3 Common Hill Saffron Walden CB10 1JG</p> <p>Noted with no objections.</p>

B	<p>Appeal Ref: APP/C1570/Y/17/3191329 - 64 Debden Road, Saffron Walden, CB11 4AB</p> <p>The works proposed were removal of a section of wall and installation of oak gates and dropped kerb. UTT/17/1220/LB and refused 27th September 2018</p> <p>Noted</p>
C	<p>UTT/18/2846/HHF Two-storey side extension and internal alterations (revision to previously approved application UTT/16/2705/HHF). 35 Landscape View.</p> <p>Noted with no objections</p>
D	<p>UTT/18/2898/AV Erection of 2 no. externally illuminated fascia signs, 2 no. externally illuminated hanging signs, 2 no. externally illuminated hoarding signs, 3 no. nonilluminated hoarding signs, 2 no. internally illuminated metal lanterns and 8 no. internally illuminated LED floodlights. Railway Arms, Station Road.</p> <p>Noted with no objections</p>
E	<p>UTT/18/2919/FUL Replacement of existing windows and door. Audley Court, Audley Road, Saffron Walden, CB11 3HX.</p> <p>Committee objects to this application on the following grounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Impact of uPVC windows on the conservation area, noting that Audley Court directly faces the edge of the conservation area, ii) Uncertainty over the safety of uPVC in the event of fire and possible release of toxic gasses, noting that that the residents of Audley Court are vulnerable and less able to evacuate a building swiftly, this ground for objection to be referred to Health and Safety Officers for specialist advice.
F	<p>UTT/18/2946/HHF Single storey side extension and replace existing conservatory roof with solid roof. 35 Old Mill Road.</p> <p>Noted with no objections.</p>
	<p>* application submitted by a member or officer of Saffron Walden Town Council</p>
P & RT 675-18	<p>Friends School</p> <p>Cllrs Fairhurst and Freeman left the room. Cllr Gadd took the chair.</p> <p>Committee reviewed the indicative layout and the public survey as published by Chase New Homes.</p> <p>Committee noted that this is not a formal planning application but a public consultation.</p>

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	<p>Cllr Gadd proposed that the Town Council would not send a formal response to the public consultation.</p> <p>Cllr Gadd proposed and it was Resolved: That the Committee would write to Chase New Homes and Uttlesford District Council noting that the proposed development is directly contrary to the relevant specific Local Plan and National Planning Policy Framework policies applying to the former Walden School site, and issue a press release to clarify the Council’s position in this respect.</p>
<p>P & RT 676-18</p>	<p>Urgent Information Items</p> <p>Committee discussed how quickly the Council had supplied the list of the ten most urgent streets requiring pot hole repair and it was noted that the Council had submitted its list within the given deadline.</p>
<p>P & RT</p>	<p>Date and time of Next Meetings</p> <p>Planning & Road Traffic Committee meeting on Thursday 22th November 2018</p>

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25pm.