

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 28th November 2019 at 7.30pm**

Councillors: Cllrs Freeman, Gadd, Porch, Toy and Roberts

Officers: Lisa Courtney Town Clerk

P & RT 120-19	Apologies for absence Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs A Coote and Hawke-Smith
P & RT 121-19	Declarations of Interest Cllr Freeman declared a generic non-pecuniary interest as a member of UDC.
P & RT 122-19	Public Speaking Time No members of the public attended.
P & RT 123-19	Minutes of Previous Meeting The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.
HIGHWAYS	
P & RT 124-19	<p>Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Section 14(1)</p> <p>Committee noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The intended closure of East Street, due to commence on 8th December 2019 for 8 days. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce while Cadent undertakes new domestic service in carriageway. Road closure in place on two Sundays only (8th and 15th Dec 2019) Parking and one way system will be suspended to allow residents in and out of East Street.. <p>Committee noted that the previous closure was chaotic and requested that officers contact ECC Highways Liaison Officer and the County Cllr to ensure that adequate signage and mitigating measures be put in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The temporary Traffic Regulation Order of The Essex County Council (Ashdon Road, Saffron Walden) (Temporary Introduction of 30mph Speed Limit) Order 2019. Intended 30mph speed limit, due to commence on 3rd January 2020 for 14 days. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce while Affinity Water undertakes mains replacement works.

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P & RT 125-19	<p>Cycling Schemes</p> <p>Committee noted the request for specific cycling schemes that had been forwarded to Essex County Council for Saffron Walden. Committee noted that ECC Cllr Moran had asked the Town Council to submit the request.</p> <p>Cllrs Gadd and Roberts and Officers were thanked for their work in preparing and submitting the request. It was noted that the request had already been put to ECC many times over the previous four years. It was further noted that the Cycling Strategy for Uttlesford was still awaited from ECC.</p>
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P & RT 126-19	Committee considered and commented upon the following Planning Applications:
A	<p>UTT/19/2806/HHF First floor side extension. 19 Shepherds Way Saffron Walden Essex CB10 2AH</p> <p>No objections subject to off-road parking being sufficient</p>
B	<p>UTT/19/2790/HHF Conversion of loft space to bedroom and shower room. 2 Gibson Gardens Saffron Walden CB10 1A</p> <p>Noted no objections.</p>
C	<p>UTT/19/2793/LB Retention of 2 no. non-illuminated fascia signs, internal branded roller blinds and internal signage. Removal of 1 no. fascia sign to bay window 24 Church Street Saffron Walden Essex CB10 1JW</p> <p>UTT/19/2792/AV Retention of 2 no. non-illuminated fascia signs, internal branded roller blinds and internal signage. Removal of 1 no. fascia sign to bay window 24 Church Street Saffron Walden Essex CB10 1JW</p> <p>Noted no objections.</p>
D	<p>UTT/19/2755/CLP Proposed replacement windows. Beechings Station Road Saffron Walden Essex CB11 3HQ</p> <p>Noted no objections.</p>
E	<p>UTT/19/2756/HHF Erection of single storey front and rear extensions. Conversion of loft to bedroom/shower room with rear box dormer 8 Harvey Way Saffron Walden Essex CB10 2AP</p> <p>Noted no objections subject to sufficient parking being available given that this extension creates an extra bedroom.</p>
F	<p>UTT/19/1611/FUL Variation of condition 13 (list of approved plans as added by Non Material Amendment UTT/19/1620/NMA) to UTT/16/1856/DFO change of housetype</p>

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	<p>for plots 10, 144, 154, 161, 179 Land South Of Radwinter Road Radwinter Road Saffron Walden Essex</p> <p>This item was deferred and officers were requested to go through the impact of these proposals in detail and re-present to Committee.</p>
G	<p>UTT/19/2812/HHF Two storey rear extension. 94 Long Horse Croft Saffron Walden CB11 4BJ</p> <p>To express concerns about loss of amenity to neighbours</p>
H	<p>UTT/19/2838/DOV Application for Deed of Variation to S106 attached to UTT/18/0824/OP. Land East Of Thaxted Road Saffron Walden Essex</p> <p>It was Resolved to respond as follows:</p> <p>1) SWTC does not support any reduction in affordable housing.</p> <p>2) SWTC objects to the proposed removal of the bus-ready element of the application on grounds that the bus will eventually be required along the spine road, and that the only point at which it will be possible to make the development bus ready is while it is being built. To attempt to retrospectively adapt the built-up area to accommodate buses when they could have been accommodated from the start would be costly to the public purse, unnecessarily disruptive and overall not in the public interest. Therefore, this should be refused.</p> <p>3) SWTC does not support the payment terms as requested in the Deed of Variation. The Town Council intends to build a community centre to accommodate the future residents of the development. Logically the community centre should be ready to open its doors at the same point as the first residents are moving into the new development. Therefore, SWTC requires payment in full of the community centre contribution at Implementation.</p>
P & RT 127-19	<p>Urgent Information Items</p> <p>Cllrs raised the following issues to be raised with ECC:</p> <p>The road past Audley End House has been resurfaced but there is a deep groove in the road.</p> <p>The “keep clear” signage at the bottom of Church Street and the High Street needs reinstating.</p> <p>The ditch by Aldi needs clearing.</p>
P & RT 119-19	<p>Date and time of Next Meeting(s)</p> <p>Thursday 12th December 2019 at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall</p>

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30 pm.

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