

Haverhill Town Council



HAVERHILL
TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Haverhill Town Council's

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on Tuesday 8th September 2015 at 7.00pm at Haverhill Arts Centre,
High Street, Haverhill CB9 8AR

Present: Councillor P Hanlon (Chairman)
Councillor T Chivers (Vice Chairman)
Councillor J Crooks
Councillor I McLatchy
Councillor D Roach
Councillor B Robbins
Councillor C Turner

Apologies: Councillor Q Fox – Work commitments

In Attendance: Councillor J Burns
Councillor M Byrne
Mayor Cllr B McLatchy
Councillor A Williams
Councillor P Fox
Colin Poole (Town Clerk)

County Councillor J Flood and 5 members of the public were present.

Welcome:

Councillor Hanlon welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised members of the public attending that the meeting was being recorded.

ACTION

P15 Apologies for Absence

/124 The above apologies and reasons given were noted.

P15 Declarations of Interest and requests for Dispensation

/125 No declarations were made and no requests for dispensation had been received.

P15 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

/126 Minutes of Meeting held 14th July 2015 were signed as a true record.

P15 Matters arising from the Minutes

/127 There were no matters arising.

P15 Public Forum on planning matters other than applications before the committee

/128 No members of the public wished to speak on any other matters.

P15 Planning Applications determined by the Clerk and Chair under

/129 Delegated Powers (List A attached)

No applications were determined under delegated powers.

P15 Planning Applications currently before St. Edmundsbury Borough
/130 Council and received by publication of agenda (List B attached)

Applications determined by the Committee are shown on List B attached to the Minutes.

P15 Matters to Report

- /131**
- a) Cllr C Tuner highlighted issues with the one-way signage on Eden Road. The Clerk will raise this with the Highways Engineer.
 - b) Cllr J Burns advised that the re-lining of the double yellow lines in the High Street is being chased.
 - c) Cllr J Burns advised that a tree outside the co-op pharmacy needs the crown rising, as it is a hazard for passers-by.
 - d) Cllr C Turner reported a raised manhole cover on Bergamot Road. He would email the Clerk so it could be reported to Anglian Water

CLERK

CLERK

CLERK

P15 Date of next Meeting:

/132 The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on Tuesday 29th September 2015.

P15 Closure

/133 The meeting was closed at 8.02pm.

Signed
Chairman

Date.....

List A – Approved by Chairman and Clerk under delegated powers

05.08.15 Expires 26.08.15	1	DC/15/1500/TCA DELEGATED POWERS	Trees in a Conservation Area Notification – 1 no. Yew – (Y1 on plan) – Crown reduce by 30% Mr & Mrs Marsh	38 Hamlet Road	NO OBJECTION	
---------------------------------	----------	---	--	----------------	--------------	--

List B – To be considered at the Committee Meeting

		PLAN NO.	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION
29.07.15 Expires 19.08.15	2	DC/15/1346/HH *Extension granted to 09.09.15	Conservatory to rear elevation Mr & Mrs Williams	18 Cross Close	No Objection
04.08.15 Expires 25.08.15	3	DC/15/1484/ADV *Extension granted to 09.09.15	Application for Advertisement Consent – display of 1 no. non-illuminated fascia sign and 1 no. non-illuminated banner sign Sue Ryder	4 Jubilee Walk	No Objection
10.08.15 Expires 31.08.15	4	DC/15/1525/HH *Extension granted to 09.09.15	Single storey rear extension to house and single storey side extension to garage Mr White	27 Aragon Road	No Objection
11.08.15 Expires 01.09.15	5	DC/15/1518/TPO *Extension granted to 09.09.15	TPO 041 (1977) – Tree Preservation Order – (i) 1 no. Lime – pollard to 6m (122 on plan) (ii) 1 no. Lime – crown reduce by 20% (166) on plan) (iii) 1 no. Copper Beech – crown reduce by 20% (125 on plan) (iv) 1 no. Horse Chestnut – crown reduce by 20% (126 on plan)	Cemetery adjacent to Horace Eves Close.	No Objection

			(v) 1 no. Oak -0 reduce lateral branches over cemetery by 4m (140 on plan) (vi) 1 no. Hornbeam raise to 1.2m for formative pruning (142 on plan) (vii) 1 no. Pine (crown lift by 3m (152 on plan) (viii) 1 no. Scots Pine – crown lift by 3m (153 on plan) (ix) 1 no. Lawson Cypress – Fell (918 on plan) All G1 on Order West Suffolk		
13.08.15 Expires 03.09.15	6	DC/15/1075/FUL <i>Extension applied for</i>	4 no. three storey bed houses and 5 no. two storey three bed houses with car parking and associated works H.C. Moss Ltd	Land adj. Care Home Brybank Road	<p>OBJECT – HTC note the claim within the application that the land was de-zoned as for community use within the Haverhill Vision 2031 document. However, we fail to find any reference within HV2031 to this site and would certainly have noted and resisted any such attempt to re-zone this land. HTC believe this claim if incorrect and the application is therefore NOT in accordance with HV2031. We challenge the applicant to publish the specific documentation and DCC decision amending HV2031, on which this claim is based.</p> <p>Also – The land was zoned for community use and there is plenty of evidence that the community DO use this land. The failure of the developers (now seeking to cash in) to clean this land of building detritus is regrettable but has not stopped children playing on it. The fact that the developers have inexplicably 'failed' in finding a 'suitable community use' for the land, which would have cost them money, should not entitle them to build on the land in order to make profit on the back of their broken undertaking to use the land for the community. So HTC contend that the land has had historic use as community land and therefore this application to build on what is an existing play area is based on misleading information being provided to the planning authority.</p>

					<p>Also – The application itself is over-development of the site, with tall buildings out of keeping with the open and low-rise nature of the area.</p> <p>Also – The design is out of keeping with the street scene, which is for relatively large open-plan frontages, whereas this shows buildings very close to the kerbside.</p> <p>Also – HTC notes objections from Highways and Environment and support those objections.</p>
14.08.15 Expires 04.09.15	7	DC/15/1449/FUL *Extension granted to 09.09.15	Provision of communal refuse bin store The Havebury Housing Partnership	Amenity Area adj. 14 Falcon Close	No Objection
14.08.15 Expires 04.09.15	8	DC/15/1563/HH <i>Extension applied for</i>	(i) First floor extension over garage (ii) link extension (and to rear) to dwelling Mr & Mrs T David	2 Henry Close	No Objection
17.08.15 Expires 07.09.15	9	DC/15/1558/HH <i>Extension applied for</i>	Pitched roof first floor extension on an existing ground floor flat room extension at the rear of the property Dr P Grover	12 Hamlet Road	No Objection
19.08.15 Expires 09.09.15	10	DC/15/1534/HH	i) Installation of wheelchair platform stair riser and associated pavement works to front of property ii) Installation of a level threshold, UPVC front door and domestic threshold drain Mr John Gay	6 Orchard Close	No Objection
20.08.15 Expires 10.09.15	11	DC/15/1567/FUL	Remediation of the former gasworks, for the improvement of the site and to reduce potential environmental liabilities	Former Gas Works, Withersfield Road	No Objection

			Mr Matt Pearce, National Grid Property Holdings		
20.08.15 Expires 10.09.15	12	DC/15/1570/HH	Householder Planning Application – extension to the rear of the property to create a bedroom with en-suite, render front elevation and alterations to porch. Ms J Brewin	23 Western Avenue	No Objection, however the Council notes the concern of the neighbour regarding privacy due to 'overlooking' from the ground floor window. HTC proposes therefore that a condition is set that the boundary treatment between 23 & 25 provides sufficient privacy to mitigate this concern.
21.08.15 Expires 11.09.15	13	DC15/1389/FUL	Retention of storage unit Mr G Taylor	5 Hollands Road	No Objection, however, the Council noted potential concerns should any flammable material be stored within this unit. The fire service should be asked to comment accordingly.
25.08.15 Expires 15.09.15	14	DC/15/1606/FUL	Installation of retractable awning to front elevation to provide shading to shop interior Safron Building Society	2 Queen Street	No Objection