

Haverhill Town Council

Minutes of a Meeting of Haverhill Town Council's

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on Tuesday 7th August 2018 at 7.00pm at Haverhill Arts Centre, Haverhill, Suffolk, CB9 8AR



HAVERHILL
TOWN COUNCIL

Present: Councillor P Hanlon (Chairman)
Councillor A Brown
Councillor B Robbins
Councillor L Smith

Apologies: None

Absent: Councillor M Byrne
Councillor J Crooks
Councillor Q Fox
Councillor A Williams

In Attendance: Councillor J Burns
Vicky Phillips, Town Clerk

1 member of public was present

Welcome:

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

ACTION

P18 Apologies for Absence

/119 The above apologies were noted.

P18 Declarations of Interest and requests for Dispensation

/120 No declarations were made and no requests for dispensation had been received.

P18 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

/121 Minutes of Meeting held 24th July 2018 were signed as a true record.

P18 Matters arising from the Previous Minutes

/122 There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

P18 Public Forum on planning matters other than applications before the committee

/123 No member of the public wished to speak on other matters.

P18 Planning Applications determined by the Clerk and Chair under Delegated Powers (List A attached)

/124 Applications determined under delegated powers, are shown in list A attached

to the minutes, see Appendix (i)

P18 Planning Applications currently before St. Edmundsbury Borough
/125 Council and received by publication of agenda (List B attached)

Applications determined by the Committee are shown on List B attached to the Minutes, see Appendix (i)

P18 Matters to Report

/126 Chaplewent Road

The Clerk had previously circulated an email from Andrew Garnham, Taylor Wimpey regarding road names at Chaplewent Road. Andrew Garnham had requested the committee consider naming a road in memory of one of their colleagues who had recently passed away, he had worked on the Hales Barn development and had family still living in Haverhill. The Councillors had no objections to this request. Councillors suggested that, at the appropriate stage, there be a discussion on the possibility of naming the remaining roads after prominent Haverhill people.

AGREED

North West Development

Cllr Burns had been in contact with the Borough concerning the suggested road names. The Clerk advised that she too had spoken to the Borough regarding this and advised that the Borough were liaising with Persimmon.

Cllr Burns reported that Persimmon were continuing with building work and had been advised that they were doing so at their own risk. The issue with the Hedgerow was still going through the legal process.

Cllr Burns had also reported that the works being carried out had caused an excessive dust and that this had to be addressed.

Clerkins Site, Hollands Road

Cllr Burns reported that Cllr P Fox had called in the application and that it was going before committee.

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P18 Date of next Meeting

/124 The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on 28th August 2018 at Haverhill Arts Centre.

P18 Closure

/125 The meeting was closed at 7.35pm.

Signed
Chairman

Date.....

Appendix (i)

List A – Approved by Chairman and Clerk under delegated powers

		PLAN NO.	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION

List B – Considered at the Committee Meeting

		PLAN NO.	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION
24.07.18 Expires 14.08.18	1	DC/18/1220/FUL	(i) Change of use from offices (A2) on first floor (2a and 4a) to 3no. flats (C3) with ground floor access to Mill Road; (ii) addition of windows to side and part rear elevations and (iii) internal and external alterations Mr Fowler	2 Mill Road	The committee noted the following raised by Public Health and Housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns over the layout of the flats in respect of escape in the event of a fire. • The suitability for occupation by 2 persons due to the overall size of Flat 1, which does not meet guidance provided through LACORS. • Concerns over a cycle store and bin store in the flats and the location of the outside cycle store and access to it. • Noise from the operation of the air cooling unit. <p>The Council therefore OBJECT to this application, until, as suggested by Public Health and Housing, these issues have been addressed.</p>
31.07.18 Expires 21.08.18	2	DC/18/1355/FUL	Conversion of 1 st floor from a commercial offices (Use Class B1) to a House in Multiple Occupation (HMO) (Use Class C4) for 13	65-67 High Street	The Council STRONGLY OBJECT to the application.

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			<p>people (7 rooms)</p> <p>Mr L Chrysostomou</p>		<p>The application is for a House in Multiple Occupancy (HMO). The committee does not agree that this is a HMO, as there is no shared common space, shared kitchen or shared lounge area.</p> <p>The proposed application is therefore for 7 individual flats, each flat shown to have their own bathroom and kitchen area. Considered as individual flats, these would not meet the suggested guidance by LACORS on Minimum Size Standards and Crowding and Space, being in some cases, half the size of the minimum standard suggested by LACORS.</p> <p>Concerns were raised over the proximity of beds being so close to the kitchen area, resulting in bedding being very close to kitchen appliances, causing fire risk.</p> <p>Concern was also raised over the blocking up of a second stairwell, potentially eliminating a possible escape route in case of fire.</p>