

# Haverhill Town Council

## Minutes of a Meeting of Haverhill Town Council's

### PLANNING COMMITTEE

Held at Haverhill Arts Centre on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024 at 7.00pm



**Present:** Councillor P Hanlon (Chairman)  
Councillor A Brown (Vice Chairman)  
Councillor R André  
Councillor Q Cox  
Councillor D Smith

**Apologies:** Councillor A Luccarini  
Councillor M Martin

**In Attendance:** Colin Poole, Town Clerk  
Vicky Phillips, Deputy Clerk  
Councillor J Burns

There was 1 member of the public present:

#### **Welcome:**

Councillor P Hanlon welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised that the meeting was being recorded.

#### **P24 Apologies for Absence**

/146 The above apologies were noted.

#### **P24 Declarations of Interest and requests for Dispensation**

/147 None.

**RESOLVED**

#### **P24 Minutes of the Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024**

/148 Councillor T Brown and Councillor R André seconded that the minutes of the meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 were approved as a true record by show of hands, subject to minor amendments in list B.

**RESOLVED**

VP

#### **P24 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

/149 Item P24/138 CP has visited the Persimmon site and spoken to local residents, he has a quote for a marquee which will seat up to 200 people and contacted Isaac at Persimmon homes regarding their involvements in a resident's association, which he has passed on to their head office, CP is waiting for a reply from them.

#### **P24 Response from Isaac Jolly, Persimmon Homes, Suffolk**

/150 Members noted the response which had been circulated prior to the meeting and had no further comments on this item.

#### **P24 Consultation – Sustainability Appraisal of Braintree Local Plan – Scoping Report**

/151

It was felt that the document was very inward looking and did not address the effect it would have on Haverhill and its residents. There was no mention of Health provision in the document and was factually incorrect, as it mentioned a GP Surgery in Steeple Bumpstead that had been removed several years ago. There needs to be some work done on addressing the issues that arise from Coupals Road crossing Essex and Suffolk borders several times along its route, such as hedge cutting and the filling of potholes.

West Suffolk Officers should be copied into our response. Councillor Smith confirmed that he did updated West Suffolk Officers each time.

It was proposed that the response submitted previously by CP was very good, but further comments on boundaries, health provision and the effect on Haverhill should be included this time.

Proposed Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Smith

**RESOLVED**

**P24 /152 For members of the public to speak on Planning Matters other than applications before the Committee**

None.

**P24 /153 Planning Applications determined by the Clerk and Chair under Delegated Powers (List A attached)**

Applications determined by the Clerk and Chair are shown on List A attached to the Minutes, see Appendix (i)

**P24 /154 Planning Applications currently before West Suffolk District 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)

**P24 /155 To consider Street Trading Licences**

Street Licence applications determined by the Committee are shown on List C attached to the Minutes, see appendix (i)

**P24 /156 Matters to Report**

JB reported that a planning application to develop the ex-St John Ambulance site has been submitted and will be out soon. VP confirmed that this had been received and would be on the next agenda.

**P24 /157 Date of next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024. Councillors Hanlon and Smith gave their apologies.

**P24 /158 Closure**

The meeting was closed at 7.50pm.

Signed .....  
**Chairman**

Date.....

**Appendix (i)**

**List A – To be considered at the Committee Meeting**

		PLAN NO.	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION
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**List B– To be considered at the Committee Meeting**

		PLAN NO.	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION
28/08/2024 Expires 18/09/2024	<b>1</b>	DC/24/1063/FUL	a. one air conditioning unit (following removal of existing two units), b. installation of one MVHR unit  Mr Duncan Staniforth, Cash Access UK	1 The Chantry Centre	SUPPORT Proposed Councillor Smith, seconded Councillor Cox <b>RESOLVED</b>
28/08/2024 Expires 18/09/2024	<b>2</b>	DC/24/1064/ADV	a. one fascia and one hanging sign externally illuminated, b. three internally illuminated information signs, c. three non illuminated information signs  Mr Duncan Staniforth, Cash Access UK	1 The Chantry Centre	SUPPORT Proposed Councillor Cox, seconded Councillor Seconded <b>RESOLVED</b>
05/09/2024 Expires 26/09/2024	<b>3</b>	DC/24/1175/HH	Single storey front, side and rear extensions (following demolition of existing conservatory)  Mrs Iby Baby	29 Chapple Drive	NEUTRAL Proposed Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Cox <b>RESOLVED</b>
05/09/2024 Expires 26/09/2024	<b>4</b>	DC/24/1212/VAR	Variation of condition 2 of DC/23/0724/HH to allow the reduction in size and reposition the single storey rear extension  Mr R Rudge	14 Bergamot Road	NEUTRAL Proposed Councillor Smith, seconded Councillor Cox <b>RESOLVED</b>

		PLAN NO.	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION
05/09/2024 Expires 26/09/2024	5	DC/24/1272/TPO	TPO 204 (1994) – One Silver Birch (within A1 on order) reduce height by up to five metres and reduce spread on all sides by up to two and a half metres to shape round  Harris, Cheffins	8 Ruskin Close	NEUTRAL Proposed Councillor Cox, seconded Councillor André <b>RESOLVED</b>
09/09/2024 Expires 30/09/2024	6	DC/24/1219/HH	Single storey rear extension  Mr Ibrahim Sanci	43 Cambridge Way	NEUTRAL Proposed Councillor Smith, seconded Councillor Brown <b>RESOLVED</b>
10/09/2024 Expires 01/10/2024	7	DC/24/1277/HH	a. first floor front extension b. conversion of roof space to habitable room including rear dormer  Mr and Mrs K Rudhall	77 Downs Crescent	OBJECT
<p>The Town Council OBJECT to this application on insufficient parking provision for a 4 bedroom property. It was noted that there was no increase in parking provision on site and no on road parking.</p> <p>Proposed Councillor Hanlon, seconded Councillor Smith <b>RESOLVED</b></p>					
11/09/2024 Expires 02/10/2024	8	DC/24/1288/HH	Single storey rear extension following removal of conservatory  Mr and Mrs T Baugh	7 Howard Close	NEUTRAL Proposed, Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Smith <b>RESOLVED</b>
12/09/2024 Expires 03/10/2024	9	DC/24/1331/HH	Single storey side extension following demolition of existing conservatory  Mr and Mrs Sevenoaks	2 Castle Lane	NEUTRAL Proposed Councillor Cox, seconded Councillor André <b>RESOLVED</b>
12/09/2024 Expires 03/10/2024	10	DC/24/1312/HH	Single storey rear lean-to extension  Mr Harry Witney	76 Horsham Close	NEUTRAL Proposed Councillor Smith, seconded Councillor Cox <b>RESOLVED</b>

12/09/2024	11	23/01994/FUL	<b>Re-Consultation</b> Demolition of the existing buildings on site and the erection of a 64 no. bed care home (use Class C2), together with access, car parking, landscaping and associated works.	The Woodlands Hotel Coupals Road, Sturmer, Essex CB9 7UW	OBJECT
<p>It needs to be written in a document that the footpath (outlined in Blue) will need to be maintained and that this could be done through a Section 106 agreement.</p> <p>Following our letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023, objecting on several issues, there is still no mention of the provision of a footway/combined cycleway along Coupals Road. It is also fundamentally important that the footway along Coupals Road joins to that the footpath outlined in blue.</p> <p>It was noted that there was an objection from Anglian Water on the Braintree Planning portal. The issue of surface water disposal is extremely important, and this does need to be addressed as flooding is a problem in that area.</p> <p>There has been no response to our suggestion of a name change to Woodlands Village Green.</p> <p>It was proposed to continue to object to this application on the issues raised above.</p> <p>Proposed Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Cox.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b></p>					

### List C– To be considered at the Committee Meeting

		NEW / RENEWAL/ VARIATION	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	TOWN COUNCIL DECISION
To be decided by 11 October 2024	1	Variation	PL05208 – Increase alcohol licence hours	91 High Street Haverhill Suffolk CB9 8AN	No objections