

## WOODBIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of an on-line meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held on TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2020 at 6pm

### Councillors:

Present: S Bale, Lady C Blois, G Holdcroft, S Miller, R Sanders, M Sutton

Apologies: E O’Nolan and C Walsh

Absent without  
Apologies: C Mapey

In Attendance: Locum Town Clerk, Locum Deputy Town Clerk and no members of the public

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### 273. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Miller, O’Nolan and Walsh.

### 274. MEMBERS AND OFFICERS WERE INVITED TO MAKE ANY DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY OR LOCAL NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS THAT THEY MAY HAVE IN RELATION TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND WERE ALSO REMINDED TO MAKE ANY DECLARATIONS AT ANY STAGE DURING THE MEETING IF IT BECOMES APPARENT THAT THIS MAY BE REQUIRED WHEN A PARTICULAR ITEM OR ISSUE IS CONSIDERED, AND TO DEAL WITH DISPENSATIONS AS REQUESTED BY INDIVIDUAL COUNCILLORS IN LINE WITH S33 OF THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

No members declared an interest in matters on the agenda.

### 275. COUNCILLORS WITH A PECUNIARY INTEREST IN AN ITEM ON THIS AGENDA, WHO WISH TO REMAIN, SPEAK AND/OR VOTE DURING CONSIDERATION OF THAT ITEM, MAY APPLY FOR A DISPENSATION BY WRITING TO THE TOWN CLERK PRIOR TO THE MEETING. APPLICATIONS MAY ALSO BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING ITSELF SHOULD THE NATURE OF THE INTEREST BECOME APPARENT TO A COUNCILLOR AT THE TIME OF THE MEETING

There were no requests from Councillors with a Pecuniary Interest in an item on this Agenda for a dispensation.

**276. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no members of the public present.

**277. CONFIRMATION OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES**

The Committee agreed and approved the signing of the minutes of the meeting held 28<sup>th</sup> July 2020 as a true record.

**278. TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

Application No and Address	Committee Comments
DC/20/2585/FUL Gault House, 3A Thoroughfare	We recommend REFUSAL. There is material information missing from the application, which both fails to identify, and mediate the impact of the development on the copper beech tree in the neighbouring garden. There is also a loss of amenity value to neighbouring properties by virtue of the proposed position of the new dwelling on the site.
DC/20/2725/FUL The Crown Hotel, 2 Thoroughfare	We recommend APPROVAL
DC/20/2726/LBC The Crown Hotel, 2 Thoroughfare	We recommend APPROVAL
DC/20/2787/TCA 28 Naverne Meadow	We recommend APPROVAL
DC/20/2790/FUL 37 Theatre Street	We recommend REFUSAL. The Council's 2009 Community Infrastructure Study advised that there should be 0.2 sq metres of community centre facilities per resident, and the loss of this community facility would reduce the overall capacity in Woodbridge to below this ideal. There is no evidence to indicate that the site has been "realistically" marketed for a continuous period of six months, and no study which demonstrates an over-capacity of community centre space in Woodbridge.
DC/20/2775/TCA 2 St Annes School House, Crown Place	We recommend APPROVAL

**279. TO COMMENT ON THE NON-MATERIAL CHANGES TO THE EAST ANGLIA HUB OFF-SHORE WIND TURBINES PROJECT – ATTACHED**

The Committee had no comments to make on the non-material changes to the East Anglia Hub off-shore wind turbines project.

**280. TO AGREE THE COMMENTS TO BE ASKED AT THE SIZEWELL C PRE-EXAMINATION Q & A EVENT**

The Committee asked Councillor Sanders to ask how the following concerns could be avoided, mitigated or compensated: -

- a) rat runs to Sizewell via Woods Lane/Woodbridge to Rendlesham, Tunstall, Snape possibly linked with avoiding use of park & rides.
- b) possible use of Rendlesham business park for off site support offices, stores etc. This could impact as HGV usage of Woods Lane/Woodbridge may be considerably increased,
- c) lack of consideration of the impact of HGV on traffic between Seven Hills (A14) and Woods Lane leading to rat runs into/out of Woodbridge
- d) impact on tourism and use of Woodbridge as a shopping centre
- e) noise of up to 6 Sizewell C linked overnight trains through the town

The Committee also asked Councillor Sanders to explore further support by Planning Aid, and how the joint concerns of (say) Martlesham, Melton and Woodbridge regarding road traffic, and Saxmundham and Woodbridge regarding increased rail traffic and noise, could be replicated in each of the pre-registration statements.

**281. CLOSURE**

The meeting was closed at 6.40pm.

Councillor Miller  
Chair