

Minutes of the meeting of the **Planning Committee** held at the **Shire Hall** on **Tuesday 24th May 2023** at **5.30pm**

Councillors:

Present: D Adelson, S Bale, P Gillard, G Holdcroft, M Kneebone, R Leach and E O’Nolan

Apologies: N Phipps

In Attendance: Town Clerk and no members of the public

40. To elect the Chair of Committee for the Civic Year 2023/24

The Committee elected Councillor Robin Sanders as the Chair of the Woodbridge Town Council Planning Committee for the Civic Year 2023/24

41. To elect the Deputy Chair of Committee for the Civic Year 2023/24

The Committee elected Councillor David Adelson as the Deputy Chair of the Woodbridge Town Council Planning Committee for the Civic Year 2023/24

42. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Phipps.

43. To receive Declarations of Interest

Councillor Holdcroft declared a non-pecuniary interest in application DC/23/1422/TPO as an acquaintance of the property owners.

Councillor Adelson declared non-pecuniary interests in applications DC/23/1952/FUL and DC/23/0896/FUL as friends are near neighbours to these properties.

Councillor Sanders declared a non-pecuniary interest in application DC/23/1733/FUL as he is a near neighbour.

Councillor O’Nolan declared a non-pecuniary interest in application DC/23/1525/FUL as he is a near neighbour.

Councillor Leach declared a non-pecuniary interest in application DC/23/1568/VOC as an acquaintance of the property owners.

44. Public Question Time.

There were no members of the public present.

45. To agree and approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th April 2023

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held 24th April 2023 were approved.

46. To note intentions to undertake works to trees in the conservation area (TCA)

The Committee noted the following applications:

DC/23/1499/TCA - 101 New Street Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1DZ

DC/23/1845/TCA - Garden House 3A Pytches Road Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1EP

DC/23/1863/TCA - Felbridge Court Bredfield Street Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 4NQ

DC/23/1592/TCA - Highlands Residential Home Fitzgerald Road Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1EN

47. To comment on applications to trees with a Tree Preservation Order (TPO)

The Council agreed their comment as set out below:-

Application No and Address	Committee Comments
DC/23/1422/TPO - Birnam Broomheath Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 4DL	WTC note that the numbers provided on the plan do not match those on application description. This comment refers to the numbers provided on the plan. We consider that the works proposed to trees 1, 3 and 4 are reasonable, but recommend that the proposed works to trees 2 and 5 be refused. We strongly urge the Planning Authorities Tree Officer to visit the site to inspect the trees in question.

48. To comment on applications for planning permission

The Council agreed their comment as set out below:-

Application No and Address	Committee Comments
DC/23/1525/FUL - 31 Warren Hill Road Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 4DY	WTC recommend approval.
DC/23/0776/FUL - Elmhurst Park Lime Kiln Quay Road Woodbridge Suffolk	<p>The WTC Planning Committee do not wish to comment on an application submitted by WTC however fully support the decision of the Full Council to approve this project.</p> <p>In line with comments provided by Mr Scott (representing Elmhurst Court), we would be happy to accept a revision of the working hours for the demolition to begin at 8am.</p>
DC/23/0896/FUL - 15 Queens Drive Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 4FE	WTC recommend approval.
DC/23/1699/FUL - The Old Convent St John's Terrace Woodbridge IP12 1HP	WTC recommend approval.
DC/23/1409/FUL - Riverside Theatre And Restaurant Quay Side Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1BH	WTC recommend approval.
DC/23/1568/VOC - 14 Gobbitts Yard Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1DD	<p>We are sympathetic to the concerns raised by the local residents regarding late night noise and therefore recommend refusal of a variation of the planning condition to allow the business to trade until 10pm.</p> <p>If the Applicant and Planning Authority were prepared to comprise and allow opening until 8pm, we would re-consider our decision.</p>
DC/23/1733/FUL-37 Victoria Road Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1EL	WTC recommend approval.
DC/23/1441/FUL - 5 Lanyard Place Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1FE	WTC recommend approval.

DC/23/1323/ADN- 28 Thoroughfare Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1AQ	WTC recommend approval.
DC/23/1881/LBC - 5 Thoroughfare Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1AA	WTC recommend approval.
DC/23/1713/LBC - 28 Thoroughfare Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1AQ	WTC recommend approval.
DC/23/1891/FUL - 1 Clare Avenue Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 4ES	WTC recommend approval.
DC/23/1952/FUL - 24 Cherry Tree Road, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP12 4BN	WTC recommend approval.

49. To note East Suffolk Council decisions on Planning Applications where those decision are contrary to this Council’s recommendations and not previously reported.

The Committee noted East Suffolk Council’s decisions on planning applications where those decisions are contrary to this Council’s recommendations and not previously reported.

50. Closure

The meeting was closed at 6.25pm.

Councillor Sanders
Chair