

Notes of a meeting of Chatteris Town Council's Planning Working Group held on Tuesday 29th May 2018.

Present: Cllrs L Ashley, I Benney, J Carney, W Haggata, F Newell and J Smith.

Cllr Newell declared an interest as a member of FDC's planning committee and took no part in the discussions or the decision making process.

P1 18/19 Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Cllr Carney proposed Cllr Ashley be re-elected Chairman of the group, seconded by Cllr Haggata and agreed by all.

Cllr Newell proposed Cllr Smith be re-elected Vice Chairman of the group, seconded by Cllr Haggata and agreed by all.

P2 18/19 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Murphy had sent apologies for absence

P3 18/19 Appeals, Decisions and Withdrawn Plans

The Clerk updated members on the latest planning decisions from Fenland District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council. Those who had applied for a Certificate of Lawfulness did not require permission. Several applications had been granted permission including the change of use of grass to hard surface tennis courts at Chatteris Tennis Club, the extension to the haulage yard, aggregate sales and inert waste recycling at Furlong Farm and the supported living complex at Huntingdon Road.

Three applications had been refused permission, the erection of 5 dwellings on land east of 13 Clare Street, the erection of a dwelling at land west of Gaultree Lodge, London Road, and the erection of a 2-storey block of flats at land east of Hereward Court, Railway Lane.

P4 18/19 Applications & Revised Applications

a) F/YR18/0256/F - Revised application for the formation of a garden centre involving the erection of 3 x poly tunnels, a shop and 2.0m high wire boundary fence involving the demolition of existing outbuildings and use of former lorry parking area as overspill car park to serve garden centre/café at land south of 2A Doddington Road – *Support those who are investing in the town, especially as they have addressed the safety concerns by the removal of the lorry park. It will tidy the area, which is a gateway to Chatteris.*

b) F/YR18/0425/F - Erection of a single-storey extension and porch to rear and insertion of first floor window to side of existing dwelling involving demolition of single storey to rear

and erection of 1.5m high wall/railings and gates to front boundary at 75 London Road -
Support

c) F/YR18/0436/TRTPO - Works to 1 Lime tree covered by TPO 04/2001 at 3 Belmont Gardens - *Support*

d) F/YR18/0479/ F & F/YR18/0480/LB - External and internal alterations to a listed building including insertion of 2 x rear dormer windows and the erection of a summer house to existing dwelling at 53 Station Street - *Support*

e) F/YR18/0483/O - Erection of 1 dwelling (outline application with all matters reserved) at land east of 24 Pound Road – *Defer decision for a site visit.*

P5 18/19 Proposed Temporary Traffic Regulation Order

Notification had been received of a plan to fully close the road between Chatteris and Somersham between the 1st and 31st August 2018 to enable full reconstruction of the B1050 carriageway. There was also a map of the proposed diversion route which would operate via Sutton. Members had no objections to the proposed Temporary Traffic Regulation Order.

P6 18/19 Any Other Business

Pocket Park: Cllr Carney said he had been in conversation with Mrs Ellie Buckton, who works for the Healthy Fenland Project, who asked if there were any groups existing or proposed in Chatteris which were concerned with healthy living. Cllr Carney mentioned the pocket park and the hope that a Friends group could be formed. He also offered a meeting with councillors to outline the plans for the park and see if it met Mrs Buckton's criteria.

Overgrown: Many complaints had been received about the overgrown open spaces, recreation grounds and verges. It was agreed to pass on the complaints, particularly about the overgrown roundabout near Poundstretcher which was a safety hazard.