

Notes of a meeting of Chatteris Town Council's Planning Working Group held on Tuesday 30th July 2019.

Present: Cllrs W Haggata (Chairman), L Ashley, J Carney, A Gowler, M Petrou & J Smith.

P12 19/20 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

P13 19/20 Appeals, Decisions and Withdrawn Plans

Decisions: The Clerk updated members on the latest planning decisions from FDC. Applications for extensions to 70 Wood Street, 46 Wood Street, 10 The Orchards and 3 Hive End Court had been approved as had the applications for a loft conversion at 86 Westbourne Road and the variation of condition 6 and removal of condition 5 (relating to staff parking) at the nursery at 8 Station Road. The application to erect 2 dwellings at land west of 58 London Road had been refused (as it would result in unacceptable residential amenity standards and would have an adverse effect on mature trees and the biodiversity of the site). Prior approval for the change of use of an agricultural building to a dwelling at Cawthorn Farm, Stocking Drove, and the change of use from light industrial to a 4-bed dwelling at Unit 1 How Fen, New Road has also both been refused.

Appeal: An appeal by Mr Budge Steers against Fenland District Council's refusal to grant permission for the erection of a 2-storey, 3-bed dwelling on land to the rear of 107 High Street had been dismissed as the application contravened Policies LP16 and LP18 of the Fenland Local Plan 2014.

P14 19/20 Planning Applications

- a) F/YR19/0431/F - Revised application (roof-light relocated to front elevation) for alterations to roof from hipped to gable to enable loft conversion to form living accommodation and insertion of roof-light to existing dwelling at 86 Westbourne Road – *No further comments*
- b) F/YR19/0567/TRCA - Fell 1 Weeping Willow tree within a Conservation Area at 14 St Martin's Road - *Support*
- c) F/YR19/0599/F - Erection of attached garage with store over to side of existing dwelling at 9 Ravenscroft - *Support*
- d) F/YR19/0607/F - Erect a 2-storey rear extension, a single-storey garage to side and the insertion of a roof light to side roof slope of existing dwelling at 21 Willey Terrace - *Support*

e) F/YR19/0620/F - Erection of a single-storey rear extension to existing dwelling involving removal of conservatory at 17 Wood Street - *Support*

f) F/YR19/0649/F - Erection of a single-storey side extension to existing dwelling at Willow Farm, Fenton Way - *Support*

g) F/YR19/0647/PNC07 - Prior approval for change of use from light industrial (B1c) to 6 x dwellings (C3) (2-storey x 4-bed) at Unit 1, How Fen Road – *Recommend Refusal, over-development in the open countryside, poor design (looks like a slum housing development and appears to be designed for communal living), adverse effect on neighbouring property, business and livestock, concerns about possible flooding and the effects of a non-mains drainage system and the foul water soak-away.*

P15 19/20 Any Other Business

Cllr Newell asked how the Council could mark Dr John Szekely's retirement as local GP. It was agreed to write a letter thanking him for his services and saying how much he was appreciated as a recognition of all he had done for the people of the town. Cllr Petrou suggested inviting local people to sign the letter. The Clerk asked for information to include in the letter: for example, how long Dr Szekely had served the town?

Cllr Carney gave apologies for the 6th August council meeting.