

Notes of a meeting of Chatteris Town Council's Planning Working Group held on Tuesday 28th January 2020.

Present: Cllrs W Haggata (Chairman), L Ashley, A Gowler, F Newell, M Petrou and J Smith.

P45 19/20 Apologies for Absence:

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr J Carney, who had submitted his recommendations on applications a) to d).

P46 19/20 Appeals, Decisions & Withdrawn Plans

Planning Committee: The Clerk had been notified that applications F/YR19/0822/O (erection of up to 2 dwellings involving the demolition of existing building at rear of 76 High Street) and F/YR19/1031/O (erect up to 3 dwellings at land north west of 24 Willey Terrace) would be discussed at the FDC planning committee meeting on the 29th January. The recommendation on the first plan was to refuse as the application failed to adequately assess the significance of the heritage asset or understand the impact of the development on the asset and adjacent historic environment. The Town Council's recommendation had been to approve and Cllr Haggata had requested permission to speak at the planning committee meeting. On the second application (dwellings North West of 24 Willey Terrace) the recommendation was to refuse as it was in a countryside location, beyond the build-up part of town. The Town Council had supported the application.

Decisions: The Clerk updated members on the latest planning decisions from FDC. The following planning applications had all been approved: erect a dwelling at Laburnum Lodge, Old Halves Farm, Chatteris Road, Somersham; erect a dwelling at land north west of 7 Doddington Road; replace the front door of a listed building at 8 Market Hill; works to a listed building at 14 and 14A East Park Street (the application for a new entrance door at the premises had been withdrawn); demolition of a timber shed at 23 Station Street; replacement of stone cladding with stone dash render at 6 Huntingdon Road; erection of a timber shed at 98 Bridge Street; fell a Walnut tree at 6 South Park Street; variation of condition 2 of permission to erect 5 dwellings at land east of 13 Clare Street.

Prior Approval was refused for the change of use from light industrial to 6 dwellings at Unit 1, How Fen, New Road.

P47 19/20 Applications & Revised Applications

a) F/YR20/0015/F - Change of Use of Bank (A2) to House in Multiple Occupation (HMO) (Sui Generis) for up to 7 persons at 10 Market Hill – Recommend Refusal. The application will adversely affect the amenity of the area and will detract from the street scene in a conservation area as it is not in keeping with the area. It will have a detrimental effect on

neighbouring businesses and will exacerbate existing parking problems in the area. There are also concerns about where waste will be stored as there is restricted space and access at the rear of the building. (Cllr Gowler declared an interest and Cllr Petrou abstained from voting. Members queried the meaning of Sui Generis).

b) F/YR20/0016/LB - Internal and External Works to a Listed Building at 10 Market Hill - Recommend Refusal. The application will adversely affect the amenity of the area and will detract from the street scene in a conservation area as it is not in keeping with the area. It will have a detrimental effect on neighbouring businesses and will exacerbate existing parking problems in the area. There are also concerns about where waste will be stored as there is restricted space and access at the rear of the building. (Cllr Gowler declared an interest and Cllr Petrou abstained from voting. Members queried the meaning of Sui Generis).

c) F/YR20/0031/LB & F/YR20/0032/F - Internal and external works to a curtilage listed building, to enable the building to be used for domestic purposes, involving the insertion of glazed doors at 47 New Road – Support (Cllr Gowler declared an interest)

d) F/YR20/0035/LB - Internal works to a listed building to include formation of a new opening and re-instatement of existing chimney breast at 47 New Road – Support (Cllr Gowler declared an interest)

e) F/YR20/0052/F - Change of use from first floor offices to 2 x 1-bed flats at 10B- 10C Park Street – Support

P48 19/20 Cambridgeshire County Council Climate Change and Environment Strategy Consultation – Complete On Line Form

Councillors went through the County Council Climate Change and Environment Strategy Consultation, fully discussing all matters, and completed the on line questionnaire. (A copy of the results is held by the Clerk).

P49 19/20 Correspondence

The Clerk had received a letter from the Head of Planning at FDC, Mr Nick Harding, informing her that the barn south east of Holwoods Farmhouse, Byall Fen Drove, had ceased to be listed.

P50 19/20 Any Other Business

There was no other business.

