

SWAFFHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Planning Committee** meeting held on **Tuesday 27th February 2018** at **1.30pm** in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Swaffham.

Present: Cllr P Darby (in the Chair)
Councillors: Mr L Scott (from 1.40pm), Mrs Jill Skinner, Mrs J Buckley-Stevens, Mrs B Bowler, Mr R Bartram, Mrs S Matthews

Deputy Town Clerk: Mr R Bishop
Office Administrator: Mrs H Duggan

Members of the public: 0

1 Apologies for Absence

1.1 No absences

2 Declarations of Interest

2.1 There were no declarations of Interest.

3 Minutes

3.1 The minutes of 30th January 2018 Planning Committee meeting were agreed and signed as an accurate record by the Chairman.

4 Decisions/Information from Breckland Council

Cllrs noted the following decisions.

3PL/2017/1541/HOU Demolition of flat roof garage. Side extension forming E-suite, dressing room and entrance lobby / utility. 70 Southlands. Mr. & Mrs. Patrick **APPROVED.**

3PL/20176/1558/HOU Single storey front and rear extensions, associated internal alterations. Alterations to garage, including refacing & formation of parapet to front & addition to rear access door. 6 Ranworth Close. Mr & Mrs. Kyle Clarke **APPROVED.**

3PL/2017/1559/F Demolish external wall enclosing bin store & replace with new wall & steel gates, erection of heat pump plant and relocation of the bin store, with a timber fence dividing the two. Methodist Church, London Street. **APPROVED.**

3PL/2017/0873/F change of use of the first floor to four residential units; internal changes to the ground floor to create a separate entrance hall to the residential units; insertion of 12 new windows to the first floor; insertion of 14 rooflights; provision of a bike and bin store; change of use of 4 existing car parking spaces (associated with the retail unit) to residential car parking spaces. 15 Plowright Place. Mr. Irish. **APPROVED.**

It was agreed that the Town Clerk would obtain information on the enforcement process regarding 3PL/2017/1541/HOU.

5 Planning Applications

3PL/2018/0068/VAR Variation of condition 5 of pp 3PL/2017/1181/F – siting of fire hydrant. Land at Turbine Way. New Era Fuels Ltd. **NO OBJECTIONS**

3PL/2017/0919/HOU Extension of existing kitchen and integral porch in matching brick and roof tiles. 30 Haspalls Road. T Creed. **NO OBJECTIONS**

6 Late applications

3PL/2018/0159 Conversion of existing storage building to 3 no. apartments. 3 The Barn, Theatre Street, Swaffham, PE37 7HF All Property Ventures Ltd **NO OBJECTIONS**

3PL/2017/1578/O Amendment Demolish single storey bungalow & erect 9 domestic dwellings with parking facilities. Ambleside, Brandon Road. Ms T Hooper. **The original application was objected to in January 2018 with comments: Swaffham Town Council object to this application on the grounds that the development is too dense, it is not a high quality design and concerns regarding the lack of light for residents were raised. The buildings are over massed and do not fit with the character of existing buildings in Swaffham. The development is not conducive to secure planning and Councillors were concerned that these buildings could become the slums of the future.**

The Council objected to the amendment with the following comments:

Swaffham Town Council values retaining mature existing trees for amenity and air quality value. If the application proposal was less dense then there would be no need to remove any trees.

3PL/2017/1355 New residential development with 6 new dwellings Land at Lynn Road. **NO OBJECTION with comments: Swaffham Town Council would like a number of conditions to be added to the application as follows:**

- Regularisation of a pedestrian access onto Lynn Road from the square turning area onto Lynn Road
- Creation of a footpath along the entire length of Lynn Road development, to link up with existing and future footpaths along the Lynn Road.

3PL/2017/1563/O it was noted that the TPO 2018 No 06 was approved following comments submitted from the January 2018 Planning Committee meeting. 'The site trees should be retained and asked Breckland to consider making a protection order for the trees.'

It was agreed the Town Clerk would obtain confirmation as to whether Low Road, Swaffham was an adopted Highway.

7 Consider further suggestions for road names.

A list of suggested Norfolk bird names and 2 new town names was circulated with the Agenda.

After discussion it was proposed to accept the list and put it forward to Breckland Planning for future reference.

It was agreed to accept the list of Norfolk bird names and 2 town names and forward this to Breckland Planning for future consideration.

8 Date and time of next meeting

27th March 2018.

Meeting closed 2.30pm.

Chairman.....

Signature/Initials.....