

SWAFFHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Planning Committee** meeting held on **Tuesday 26th June 2018** at **1.30pm** in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Swaffham.

Present: Cllr L Scott (in the Chair)
Councillors: Mrs B Bowler, Mrs J Buckley-Stevens, Mr P Darby, Mr C Houghton, Mrs S Matthews, Mrs J Skinner

Town Clerk: Mr R Bishop
Admin Assistant: Ms K Furnass

1 Apologies for Absence

- 1.1 R Bartram – holiday
- 1.2 A Thorp -

2 Declarations of Interest

- 2.1 There were no declarations received.

3 Minutes

- 3.1 The minutes of 29th May 2018 were agreed and signed as an accurate record by the Chairman.

4 Decisions/Information from Breckland Council

Cllrs noted the following decisions.

3PL/2018/0473/LB, 3PL/2018/0290/A - Internally illuminated fascia and hanging sign on listed building 10 Market Place Swaffham – Yorkshire Building Society. **APPROVED.**

3PL/2018/0444/A - 2 internally illuminated fascia signs, 2 non-illuminated fascia signs, 1 illuminated hanging sign and 1 internally illuminated ATM surround. 5A Market Place Swaffham. Nationwide. **APPROVED.**

3PL/2018/0402/A – 1 non-illuminated fascia sign and 1 non-illuminated projection sign. 51 Market Place, Mr Forbes. **APPROVED.**

5 Planning Applications

Cllrs considered the following applications.

3PL/2018/0612/D - **Removal of existing building and erection of five detached houses, approval of design, appearance, scale, layout and landscaping.** G & L Homes Ltd, former NCS grounds maintenance depot to the south of Hamonds High School. **NO OBJECTIONS.**

3PL/2018/0610/F - **Proposed new canteen and internal refurbishment to provide new showers and improved cookery area.** Mr W Goodenough, Swaffham Campus, Turbine Way. **NO OBJECTIONS – with comments,** concerns were raised that there could be an issue with lost parking spaces on the site as vehicles currently park where the extension is planned.

3PL/2017/1487/O – **Consultation Amendments. The erection of up to 64 bed care home, up to 40 assisted living dwellings, medical centre, 65sqm retail use, up to 160 dwellings with open space, associated infrastructure and the detailed means of access.** Abel Homes Ltd, land west of A1065, Swaffham. **NO OBJECTIONS – with comments,** Swaffham Town Council stand by their previous decisions on the current design but have concerns on the cumulative traffic & pollution matters. There are also possible inconsistencies in the Air Quality Assessment report prepared for Abel Homes Ltd

by SLR Consultants. Until the report from AQMA is finalised the Town council cannot comment further.

- 5.1 Cllr Scott circulated information he had requested from the case officer on application 3PL/2017/1487/O.

6. **Late applications & Queries**

3PL/2018/0619/HOU – Remove conservatory & replace with single storey extension with pitched roof. Mr C Devine, 12 Captains Close. **NO OBJECTIONS.**

3OB/2018/0005//OB – To create an independent/self-contained house with no links to Swaffham Raceways. MK Breckland Promotions Ltd, The Lodge, Swaffham Raceways. **NO OBJECTIONS – With comments**, whilst the Town Council have no objections to the separation of the dwelling from Swaffham Raceway they would like to ensure that there will be no subsequent application for additional buildings on the site. This can be achieved by a Covenant included in the building conditions.

3PL/2018/0591/HOU/ - To replace a storm damaged wooden fence with a brick and cobble flint garden wall and gate. Miss A Alexander, 5 Ceres Court. **NO OBJECTION – with comments**, the Town Council wholeheartedly support the application as an enhancement to the property and area.

- 6.1 **3PL/2017/1293/O – Proposed residential development.** Notification was received from Breckland that this application had been referred to the Planning Committee. The meeting is to be held on 2nd July 2018, Cllr Scott will be attending.
- 6.2 **Old School House, Market Place** - Concerns were raised about the condition of the building. The Town Clerk informed the Committee he would contact Andrew Gayton on this matter.
- 6.3 **Footpath along the old railway line** – There had been a recent development confirmed but no further information received as yet.
- 6.4 **Green Britain Centre** – The Town Clerk was asked to contact The Garden Science Trust to offer any possible support when appropriate.
7. **ADMISSION TO MEETINGS ACT (PUBLIC BODIES) 1960:**
CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS following the exclusion of the public and press
 It was resolved to go below the line to allow the Town Clerk to answer questions. The Town Clerk was very limited on what he could report at this time but further details would be available at the Extraordinary meeting to be held on 4th July 2018
8. **Date and time of next meeting**
 31ST July 2018