

MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, KINGS HOUSE THETFORD
ON TUESDAY 13th JUNE 2017 STARTING AT 7:00 P.M.

Present:

Councillors:

S J Armes
M P Brindle
B J Canham
J Hollis
T J Jermy
J Newton

R F W Brame
C R P Burnett
C Harvey
J James
R G Kybird

Officer in attendance:

Tina Cunnell
Chris Crimmen

Town Clerk
Committee Secretary

Minutes

- 96 /17 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE MAYORAL YEAR 2017/18
Chair
RESOLVED that Councillor R G Kybird be elected Chairman of the Planning Committee for the Mayoral year 2017/18.
Vice Chair
RESOLVED that Councillor S J Armes be elected Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee for the Mayoral year 2017/18.
- 97/17 DECLARATIONS OF ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS
Councillor T Jermy declared a pecuniary interest in agenda number 100/17 (b). Councillor B Canham declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda number 100/17 (b).
Councillor R Brame declared a pecuniary interest on 100/17(e).
- 98/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Apologies were received from Councillors M P Brindle, D M Crawford, F Robinson and M S Robinson.
- 99/17 MINUTES
RESOLVED: The minutes of the Committee meeting held on 02/05/2017, received by Full Council on 30/05/2017, as a true record and signed/initialled by the Committee Chairman.
- 100/17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO CONSIDER
- a) Plan No 0255 Consultation – Householder
Applicant: Mr Hutt Garage conversion to a bedroom and new replacement porch 8 Churchill Road.
Supporter.
- b) Plan No 0514 Consultation – Change of Use
Applicant: Charles Burrell Centre Change of use from D2 to sui-generis Charles Burrell Centre Staniforth Road.

Supporter.

c) Plan No 0596 Consultation – Full

Applicant: Mr N Pettit Conversion of extg barn to create one residential dwelling Buildings behind No. 57 Bury Road.

Objector: Strongly reiterate our previous objections. Thetford Town Council request committee review the ward members request for a call in on this application. Thetford Town Council also request that a rational explanation is given by NCC for their last minute changes to their objections.

d) Plan No 0712 Consultation – Householder

Applicant: Mr Mrs White Conversion of attached garage to form additional living accommodation 28 Woodruff Road.

Supporter.

e) Plan No 727 Consultation – Householder

Applicant: Peter Leeming - Church Committee Replacement of porch to rear of dwelling and internal alterations 73 New Town.

Supporter.

- 101/17 DECISIONS OF VARIANCE
No decions of variance notified.
- 102/17 LATE PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER AGENDA WAS PUBLISHED
None received.
- 103/17 STREET NAMEPLATES
The Chairman reported the Council had received a request to clarifying street nameplates on St Giles Lane and London Road /Norwich Road Thetford. After a discussion Councillor R Kybird proposed and Councillor S Armes seconded:
RECOMMENDATION: That Thetford Town Council:
- **Support the change of name of The Drift to the three cottages which are being confused with Old Bury Road subject to the three parishoners agreeing to the change.**
 - **The fee for the nameplate of £95.95 will be paid by Thetford Town Council and that the Finance Committee approve a suitable funding line.**
- 104/17 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT ORDER) 2015 - CONSULTATION
The Chairman reviewed the consultation for Breckland Council on the Town and Country Planning 2015 and felt that as the document was relatively unchanged the Council had no comments to make.
- 105/17 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS
a) REVIEW OF THE STREET NAME POLICY
The Chairman reported that the developers suggested name would be sent to the parish on a standard proforma but the parish could only object if the name was invalid. However any comments the parish put into the proforma would be passed back to the developer for consideration but the developer was

allowed to keep his original suggestion. In practice the SNN team would not allow or send out an invalid name suggestion on a proforma to a parish and therefore as the name suggestion is valid the parish could not object. This wasted a lot of time and paper for the parish, developers and ourselves. To streamline the process and make it more efficient/cost effective the proposed new process would be to stop using the proforma and instead suggest that developers discuss with the parish first or use a Preferred Street Name List. Developers should still be allowed to come to use direct if necessary. Once the street name is agreed, the developer, parish and all parties would be informed of the approved street name. This was noted by the Committee.

b) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN WORKING GROUP

The Town Clerk reported that at the Full Council 30th May 2017 it was agreed the members of a working group to look at the requirements and expectations for the Neighbourhood Plan of Thetford Town Council within a conservation area were Councillors R Brame, M Brindle, B Canham, D Crawford, C Harvey, J Newton and S Wright and asked if anyone else wished to join the working group. Councillor R Kybird was added to the group.

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PRESS RELEASES

None.

Chairman.