

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING, TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2019 AT 7.00 PM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, NORTH LODGE, CROMER**

Present:-

Chairman – Cllr. T. Adams
Cllr. T. Bartlett, Cllr. M. Hayhurst, Cllr. R. Leeds, Cllr. B. Stibbons

Julie Chance PSLCC – Town Clerk
Janet Warner PSLCC AICCM– Deputy Clerk

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 JANUARY 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2019 were signed by the Chairman.

2. DECLARATIONS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr. Harris (work commitment) and Cllr. Nolan (family matters).

4. LOCAL PLAN

Mark Ashwell (Planning Policy, NNDC) was welcomed to the meeting and provided a very informative update on the emerging Local Plan which will run until 2036 and will provide for 10,000 new houses in North Norfolk. It is anticipated that this will include 500 new houses for Cromer, 1500 for Fakenham and 2500 for North Walsham. Development sites in villages will be looked at in a future phase of the scheme.

Members were advised that there are changes since the last plan including the following:

- The elderly population in North Norfolk is increasing and people are occupying houses for longer.
- The workforce is shrinking.
- There is more demand for the workforce to match the age profile of the population eg. More care workers will be required. Most employment will be in the low pay sector.
- Affordable housing is difficult to address as there is increasing disparity between house prices and income.

It was noted that there are three sites on the edge of Cromer which will be included in the draft Local Plan as the preferred sites for development: Gurney's Land on Norwich Road, the former Golf Practice Ground on Overstrand Road and Clifton Park on Runtun Road. The Clifton Park site will be designated for 90 houses and a new primary school. Mr. Ashwell stressed that a new school will only be built when the need arises.

Members asked about provision of play facilities for all ages, care homes and campsites. It was noted that play facilities can be provided via S106 agreements with the developers and care home allocations will be required for developments of more than 150 homes. The Plan will allow for growth in tourism, but campsites will be restricted and away from the coast. The Plan will allow for rollback to move existing sites away from the eroding clifftops.

There will be a six-week consultation period during which it is expected that NNDC will receive 3000-5000 responses. Every household will receive a letter advising them of the consultation. A final draft will then be produced for consultation. Any responses to this will go straight to the inspector rather than NNDC.

Mr. Ashwell was thanked and left the meeting.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

6. PRE-SUBMISSION PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no pre-submission matters.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Refer Appendix A attached.

8. OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

8.1 Existing planning applications

PO/18/1551 – Roughton Road

Cllr. Adams advised that he had met with a representative from Corylus but there was no progress to report. It was noted that a new highways proposal has been submitted and refused.

8.2 NNDC Development Committee

There were no items to report.

8.3 Other Planning Matters (for information only)

The Bath House – It was noted that it has been reported in the media that The Bath House is to be sub-divided into apartments. Members questioned whether planning consent is required. The Clerk was asked to contact NNDC for advice.

9. TRAFFIC ORDERS

Members were in receipt of various traffic orders.

10. **HIGHWAY MATTERS**

10.1 **Dropped Kerbs**

There was no update.

10.2 **The Gangway**

There was no update.

10.3 **Highways updates from Councillor Adams**

Roadworks - There have been lots of road works taking place in Cromer, some of which have been delayed. The works at the junction of Church Street and Norwich Road will continue on Sunday 10 March. Lining is awaited on the new road surface at Overstrand Road and Cromwell Road junction.

Crescent railings – The Clerk has met with Russell Tanner (NNDC) and it has been confirmed that NNDC are responsible for these railings.

Gritting – There was a misunderstanding circulating on social media in respect of gritting on Howards Hill. This has been clarified.

Part-night lighting - A complaint in respect of the part-night lighting on Bailey Road was noted.

Trees - A complaint has been received about the conifers at Meadow Close but it was noted that these trees help stabilise the banks.

10.4 **Other Highway Matters** (for information only)

There were no other highway matters to report.

11. **FOOTPATHS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY**

11.1 **Howards Hill footpath**

It was noted that Colin Brown (NNDC) has been asked to look into this and to contact the Town Clerk.

11.2 **Other footpath and Public Rights of Way matters** (for information only)

Footpath between Norwich Road and Henry Blogg Road – It was noted that NCC have committed to resurfacing this footpath.

12. TRANSPORTATION

12.1 Transportation matters (for information only)

Mill Road – It was noted that comments had appeared on social media in respect of the diverted bus route during the road closure.

13. CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

13.1 Fire safety – Flats and Rented Accommodation

A response from NNDC is still awaited.

13.2 The Old Station House

It was noted that a representative from Community Rail is attending the next Promotions & Events Committee meeting and his update will include information about The Station House.

13.3 Advertising Hoardings

A reply from NNDC is still awaited.

13.4 Dog Fouling

Cllr. Adams advised that he had met with representatives from Environmental Protection who advised that many other towns and villages are facing the same problems. People are reluctant to report dog owners and NNDC can no longer use trail cams to monitor dog fouling. There is a need to encourage people to report accurate information to NNDC.

*It was **AGREED** to suspend Standing Orders to allow the meeting to continue past 9pm.*

12.5 Other Correspondence (for information only)

NNDC Open Spaces Survey – It was **AGREED** that Cllr. Adams will review this and report back to Full Council.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 14 March 2019 at 7.00 pm.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm

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Chairman

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Date

APPENDIX A

CTC NO	Planning Application reference	Detail of application	Location
1	PF/19/0083	Erection of single storey detached annexe Planning Protocol <i>No objections</i>	40 Howards Hill
2	PF/19/0060	Erection of two storey detached dwelling <i>No objections</i>	Land adjacent 27 Shipden Ave
3	PO/19/0097	Removal of redundant/derelict buildings and erection of one dwelling with associated storage/workshop (Outline permission – all matters reserved) <i>No objections</i>	Fellside Farm Metton Road
4	LA/19/0163	Works to install defibrillator cabinet to side of building <i>No objections</i>	White Horse Inn West Street
5	ADV/19/0178	Installation of replacement illuminated and non-illuminated signs to the exterior of the building <i>No objections</i>	The Albion 32 Church Street
6	LA/19/0179	External alterations to facilitate installation of replacement illuminated and non-illuminated signs and repainting of the exterior of the building <i>No objections</i>	The Albion 32 Church Street

7	PF/19/0207	First floor rear extension <i>No objections</i>	15 Sandy Lane
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