

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE PLANNING, TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON THURSDAY 6TH JANUARY, 2022 AT 7.00 PM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, NORTH LODGE, CROMER**

Present:-

Chairman:- Cllr. T. Adams, Cllr. T. Bartlett, Cllr. P. Bennett,
Cllr. M. Bossingham, Cllr. P. Harris, Cllr. M. Hayhurst,
Cllr. R. Leeds and Cllr. P. West.

Julie Chance FSLCC – Town Clerk.

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28TH OCTOBER, 2021

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28th October 2021 having been **AGREED** by Full Council on 29th November 2021 will be signed by the Chairman at the earliest convenience.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. P. West in connection with applications LA/21/3466 and PF/12/3465 – Cliftonville Hotel.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. M. Russell – Ill Health.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None received.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5.1 Decisions Under Planning Protocol:- List attached.

5.2 Live Planning Applications:- Cllr. Adams reported that PF/21/2544 – Bond Street has been called into the Development Committee and Cllr. Bartlett will be speaking at the meeting. PF/21/1911 – Mini Harbord House is ongoing. North Norfolk District Council are placing a condition for the retention of the Oak tree and further tree planting to be carried out. This application

may be put before the Development Committee and Cllr. Adams will keep the Members updated.

PF/21/1885 – Bond Street – Cromer Town Council objected due to loss of business.

PF/20/2369 – Runton Road – Cllr. Adams has called this application into the Development Committee. Cromer Town Council and residents have objected.

Barclay Court Gardens has been approved with further design changes.

8a Arbor Road has been withdrawn.

5.3 Cromer Conservation Area:- No update to report. This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.

5.4 Cllr. Adams reported that the property on the corner of Brook Street/Church Street, which has been long term empty, has had the glass broken several times. This is matter for the property owners to deal with and not North Norfolk District Council.

5.5 Steam Railway Application:- Cllr. Adams reported that the people leading this project are requesting to work with Cromer Town Council. They are applying for grant funding and would like Cromer Town Council to consider submitting the planning application on their behalf. Cllr. Adams will keep Members informed.

6. HIGHWAY & PUBLIC REALM MATTERS

6.1 Highway & Public Rights of Way:- Cllr. Adams reported that the footway and road surfaces have deteriorated considerably and need attention. Cromwell Road has been postponed and needs to be rescheduled by Norfolk County Council.

Sixteen parking penalties have been issued on the Gangway. If exemption signs are introduced this will leave the Clearway Signs open to challenge and cause further parking.

The One Way Signs on Chapel Road and Hans Place have been vandalised.

Cllr. Adams has been consulted on an abnormal load for Church Street. This load is a wide load and not the same as the high load that caused a problem with the Christmas lights.

Cllr. Adams reported that the bus lane traffic regulator order has been challenged and there is a sustainable legal action. A bus gate should only have one access and may need to be lengthened. A consultation is due to commence shortly and Cllr. Adams will update Members at the next meeting.

- 6.2 Love Lane & Kissing Gate:-** No update given. This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.
- 6.3 West Street Drainage:-** No update given. This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.
- 6.4 Temporary Traffic Orders:-** Circulated. Noted.
- 6.5 Public Rights of Way Maintenance:-** The Clerk reported that Norfolk County Council have agreed that Cromer Town Council can maintain the Public Rights of Way in Cromer. The annual budget will be transferred to Cromer Town Council once this agreement is in place. It was **AGREED** to ask our contractor to cut the Public Rights of Way at a cost of £100 per cut. At least three cuts per year will be carried out but this will be monitored. The Clerk will progress this matter.
- 6.6 Cliff Top Path – Royal Cromer Golf Club:-** Cllr. Adams reported that the clifftop path no longer exists due to erosion of the cliffs. It is felt that signage needs to be in place to direct people onto the footway on Overstrand Road from the Golf Club. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to the Golf Club and ask whether this would be possible and Cllr. Bartlett will investigate the publicised maps in order to ascertain the changes needed. This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.
- 6.7 Parish Partnership Projects:-** Cllr. Adams reported that Cromer Town Council have submitted two applications as follows:-
Feasibility Study – 20 mph – Mill Road/Suffield Park
Feasibility Study – Controlled Crossing – Norwich Road.
This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.
- 6.8 Beach Road Crossing:-** Cllr. Adams reported that Norfolk County Council are taking forward an assessment. Cllr. Adams is encouraging Norfolk County Council to seek funding for major works in Cromer. Cllr. Adams will keep the Members updated.

- 6.9 Highway Code:-** Cllr. Harris reported that changes in the Highway Code give priority to Cyclists and Pedestrians at junctions. This information needs to be made available to the public.
- 6.10 Advisory 20 mph Signs – Church Street:-** This matter will be placed on the next agenda for discussion concerning replenishing the signs.
- 6.11 Lynewood Road/Links Avenue Footway Maintenance:-** Circulated. Noted.

7. ENVIRONMENT

- 7.1 Grass Verges – Holt Road:-** The Clerk confirmed that she has written to Orbit Housing concerning parking on the verges but to date has not received a reply. The Clerk will chase accordingly.
- 7.2 Grass Verges – Middlebrook Way:-** Cllr. Adams reported that the verges are not in a good condition due to parking by the businesses concerned. Cllr. Adams said that a permanent solution needs to be found. It was **AGREED** that the Members would visit the site and this matter will be discussed further at the next meeting.
- 7.3 Brook Street – Sewage Smell:-** Cllr. Adams is liaising with Anglian Water to address this issue.

8. CROMER PHASE 2 COASTAL SCHEME

- 8.1** Cllr. Adams reported that North Norfolk District Council will be attending a Special Planning Committee meeting on Monday 24th January, 2022 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber to update Members on this scheme.

9. CORRESPONDENCE & OTHER MATTERS

Nothing to report.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was noted as 3rd February, 2022 at 7pm.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30 pm.

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Chairman

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Dated