

THURSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Thurston Planning Committee MEETING held on Wednesday 6th January 2021 at 7.00pm by VIDEOCONFERENCE of Thurston Parish Council.

Present (by video): Cllrs. Dashper (Chair), Haley, Morris, Rainbow, and West. Also in attendance (by video): Mrs V Waples, Parish Clerk and Cllr. Towers within the public forum.

1. **OPENING** – the Chairman opened the meeting advising all that the Video Protocol adopted by the Parish Council, would be enacted for this meeting. *A copy of the Protocol is available from the Clerk or can be downloaded from the website: <https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/policies-procedures-and-strategy/>.*
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** –
 - a) There were no applicable apologies for absence.
3. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST FROM COUNCILLORS INCLUDING GIFTS OF HOSPITALITY EXCEEDING £25** –
 - a) To receive declarations of pecuniary, local non-pecuniary interest(s) and personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature including gifts of hospitality exceeding £25 – Cllr. West declared a pecuniary interest for Agenda Item 6b as the applicant. There were no further declarations declared for the agenda under discussion.
 - b) To receive declarations of lobbying for planning matters on the agenda – there were none declared.
 - c) To receive requests for dispensations – none had been received prior to the meeting.
4. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:** (all as previously circulated) and to agree that delegated authority be given to the Chair to sign the minutes outside of the meeting:
 - a) Minutes of the planning committee meeting of 9th December 2020 – agreement was forthcoming for the minutes to be approved at the meeting of 27th January as they had not yet been circulated, aif.
5. **PUBLIC FORUM:** *due to government advice relating to public meetings, it was confirmed that the Meeting ID and Password for this meeting had been made available via the website and the parish noticeboards for those who wished to join the meeting* – there were no comments received.
6. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED:**
 - a) DC/20/05645 Householder planning application – erection of single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing conservatory) @ 11 Maltings Garth – it is a rendered surface as opposed to a brick surface but noting that this is for a rear extension and would have no impact on the street scene, overall footprint or on the residential amenities enjoyed by neighbouring properties, aif.
 - b) DC/20/05741 – Application for works to Trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order MS276/G1 – Sycamore (T013) – reduce double crown by 30-40% and cut back and re-shape (to make safe and stable as right-hand trunk is leaning significantly towards garage building) @ 4 Marley Close – it was agreed that the committee had no detrimental comments to make on the application and that the works to the tree as specified were appropriate, aif.
It was noted that Cllr. West took no part in the discussion or vote on this application (DC/20/05741) and turned off his camera and muted his microphone.
 - c) DC/20/05758 – Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act for DC/19/02033 for variation of condition 2 (approved plans and documents) @ Corner Cottage, Hollow Lane – it was commented that this might have a detrimental impact on the residential amenities enjoyed by a neighbouring property that was still to be built but in essence the committee had no material grounds to oppose the application and that it should be supported, aif.

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- d) DC/20/05410 – Full Planning Application – severance of garden and erection of 1 No two-storey detached dwelling and creation of new vehicular access (following demolition of single storey extension and detached garage) @ 18 Oakey Field Road – it was agreed that this was not radically different to that previously submitted and the comments submitted previously by the Parish Council were still valid. All were in agreement to oppose this application should be opposed, aif.
- e) DC/20/05812 – Householder application – erection of single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing conservatory) @ East View, 59 Barton Road – noted that this was to the rear of the property and would have no or little impact on the street scene and the amenities enjoyed by neighbouring properties. As such were all in agreement to support the application, aif.
- f) DC/20/05821 - Application for works to Trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order MS115 A1/A2 – Pollard 1 No Lime (T1) to 5m because of excessive shading. Fell 1 No Scots pine (T2) dead stump to ground level. Pollard 1 No Lime (T3) to 5 m because of excessive shading. Lime (T3) pollard to 5 m because of excessive shading @ Thurston Lodge, Sandpit Lane – all agreed that the location of the Pine Tree made sense for its removal whilst work to the Lime Trees was regarded as excessive given the work being proposed. As such it was agreed that the committee were minded to recommend refusal for the works to the Lime Trees on the grounds that it was excessive, but support the work to the Scots Pine Tree, aif.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DETERMINED: to receive details of the planning application considered by Mid Suffolk District Council:

- a) DC/20/00259 – Discharge of Conditions for 5070/16 – Condition 26 (Construction Surface Water Management Plan) @ land on the north side of Norton Road
- b) DC/20/05104 – Discharge of Conditions for DC/19/01602 - Condition 17 (Planting Scheme for Balancing Pond) @ land on the north side of Norton Road
- c) DC/20/03880 – Planning permission for the erection of a cartlodge @ Mimosa Cottage, Stoney Lane.

8. MATTERS RELATING TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS GRANTED:

- a) DC/17/02232 – erection of 129 dwellings @ land on the West side of Barton Road - Cllr. Haley queried whether conditions relating to archaeology had been imposed within the granting of approval of this application. The Clerk confirmed that as this had been submitted as a full planning application, there were no reserved matters to be applied for and having reviewed the files no condition relating to the recording and analysis of archaeological assets and as such no requirement to submit a written scheme of investigation.

Discussion followed over the lack of detail in some of the conditions being written and imposed by the Local Planning Authority and all agreed that the Parish Council should use all means at its disposal to raise these issues with the relevant departments to ensure such issues and concerns were brought to the attention of Mid Suffolk Planners in a more enlightened manner.

9. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING:

- a) 27th January 2021 – via Zoom - commencing at 7.30pm.

10. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING – there being no other business the meeting was closed at 7.32pm.

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Appendix A - Glossary of Common Abbreviations used

Aif	All in favour
AGAR	Annual Governance and Accountability Return
APM	Annual Parish Meeting
ASB	Anti-social Behaviour
BACS	Bankers Automated Clearing Services
BUAB	Built Up Area Boundary
BMSDC	Babergh & Mid Suffolk District Councils
CC	Credit Card
CCG	Clinical Commissioning Group
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
Chq.	Cheque
Cllr.	Councillor
CMP	Construction Management Programme
Cttee.	Committee
DC	District Council
DCLG	Department of Communities and Local Government
DD	Direct Debit
EHO	Environmental Health Officer
FOI	Freedom of Information
FR	Financial Regulations
GPoC	General Power of Competence
HMRC	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs
HRA	Habitats Regulations Assessment
JR	Judicial Review
LAIS (from SALC)	Local Association's Information Services
LGBCE	Local Government Boundary Commission for England
LPA	Local Planning Authority
MSDC	Mid Suffolk District Council
NHS	National Health Service
NDP	Neighbourhood Development Plan
NP	Neighbourhood Plan
NR	Network Rail
PC	Parish Council
PCSO	Police Community Support Officer
Pdf	Portable Document Format
PIISG	Parish Infrastructure Investment Steering Group
Rec.	Recreation
RFO	Responsible Financial Officer
SARS	Suffolk Accident Rescue Service
SEA	Strategic Environmental Assessment
SALC	Suffolk Association of Local Councils
SCC	Suffolk County Council
SID	Speed Indicator Device
SNT	SaferNeighbourhood Team
SO	Standing Order
SPS	Suffolk Preservation Society
TCC	Thurston Community College
TNPSG	Thurston Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group
TPO	Tree Preservation Order
TRO	Traffic Regulation Order
VAS	Vehicle Activated Sign

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