

DISS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Sub-Committee held in the Council Chamber at the Corn Hall on Wednesday 11th September 2019 at 6.30pm.

Present: Councillors S. Browne (ex-officio)
S. Olander (ex-officio)
J. Robertson
E. Taylor (Chair)
J. Mason
D. Poulter
M. Gingell

In attendance: Sarah Richards (Town Clerk)
3 members of the public

PL0919/01 **APOLOGIES**
There were none.

PL0919/02 **NOMINATION OF SUBSTITUTE REPRESENTATIVES**
There were none.

PL0919/03 **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**
Councillors elected a Vice-Chairman for the Planning Committee. It was

RESOLVED: to elect Councillor Poulter as Vice-Chairman for the Planning Committee.

PL0919/04 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

Minute No.	Councillors Name	Personal/ Other Interest	Pecuniary Interest	Reason
PL0619/08 2019/1555	S. Olander E. Taylor	✓		These councillors are residents of a nearby development.
PL0919/08 2019/1698	J. Mason	✓		The applicant is known to the councillor.

PL0919/05 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**
It was

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Sub-Committee held on 14th August 2019 were a true record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

PL0919/06 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
There were three members of the public in attendance who were observing only.

PL0919/07 **ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**
There were none.

PL0919/08 **NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT CONTROL MATTERS**

2019/1644 – it was noted that there is insufficient parking for the development given the size of the properties. There was concern around the entrance opposite the traffic lights although it was agreed the volume of vehicle movement is likely to be limited. The principle of three dwellings was agreed but the layout could be improved to improve vehicular access.

2019/1555 – it was noted that Diss Town Council has already submitted a letter of refusal, which still stands despite the amendments. It was also noted that the oak tree on the site may have been removed. It was

RESOLVED: to further refuse the amended application for up to 94 dwellings on land north of Walcot Rise and forward the Town Council's previous objection of the 19 August 2019 to the Planning Authority requesting it is reconsidered.

(Action: Clerk; immediately)

App. No./ Type	Applicant/ Address	Proposal	Recommendation
2019/1644	Former Bethel Chapel, Victoria Road, Diss	Demolition of existing building and erection of up to 3 dwellings and associated works (with all matters reserved except access).	RECOMMEND REFUSAL Although the site is suitable for development, there are concerns over access, parking, layout, integration with the existing street scheme. The current plans are considered a significant over-development of the site and it is also considered necessary to review the positioning of the development to reflect existing.
2019/1698	Namulas Pension Trustees Ltd, Chancery House, Victoria Road, Diss, IP22 4HZ	Change of use of ground floor of property to A1 (Beautician) and D1 (Back Care Clinic) use.	RECOMMEND APPROVAL This application appears to be acceptable and is suitable for decision by Officers under delegated powers.
2019/1555	Land North of Walcot Rise	Planning Application to include access for up to 94 dwellings on this 3.25 hectare site.	RECOMMEND REFUSAL The recent amendments to this application primarily concern site access from Walcot Road / Green and traffic statements. They do not alter in any way the Town Council's objection of the 19 August 2019 (attached) as the points we object to are still valid. Please ensure the original objection is carried forward with the amended application.

PL0919/09 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Members noted that Planning meetings will precede scheduled meeting dates at 6pm, unless otherwise stated, should applications require committee consideration.

Meeting closed at 6.55pm.

Councillor E. Taylor
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN