
Minutes of the planning committee meeting held on Tuesday 4 January 2022 at 7.30pm at Sancroft Hall

Present: Councillors Alex Brockhurst, Garry Deeks, Philip Eastgate, Tom Lindsay, Sue Moore, Trevor Orchard, Nick Stolls, Rachael Troughton and Neil Venton.

Also in Attendance: Two members of the public and Andy Parris, clerk to the council.

- 1 Cllr NS chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone
- 2 Apologies for absence Received from Cllrs D Warne (health) and N Lucker (business). These were accepted.
- 3 Members' declarations of interest NV declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 6.2. This did not exclude him from the meeting nor from the vote on the item.
- 4 To record details of any lobbying relating to agenda items. There were none.
- 5 The public forum The council received information about items 6.3, 6.4 and 6.5.
- 6 To respond to planning applications
 - 1 Babergh Mid Suffolk District Council planning reference DC/06685 Erection of outbuilding (following removal of sheds) The Wicket Wood Lane Fressingfield. The council recommends approval of this application.
 - 2 DC/21/06824 Erection of 6no poultry houses with associated admin blocks, feed bins and ancillary development. (EIA Development) Land at Fennings Farm Pixey Green Stradbroke. Councillors discussed the environmental effects of this expansion. The council noted the fact that HGV traffic would not flow through Fressingfield and recognises the positive effect on the local economy due to the growth in the 'chicken-economy.' The council recommends approval of this application.
 - 3 DC/21/05271 Change of use and conversion of Granary Barn to 1no. dwelling and erection of detached cart lodge. Granary Barn at Chippenhall Hall Laxfield Road Fressingfield
 - 4 DC/21/05272 Works to facilitate conversion of Granary Barn to 1no. dwelling Granary Barn at Chippenhall Hall Laxfield Road Fressingfield. The council considered 6.3 and 6.4 as one item. Councillors were concerned about the inconsistencies, inaccuracies and omissions in these applications. In the applications, there is no detail to provide solutions to obvious obstacles (e.g. no services to this building, the effects on trees covered by TPOs and the use of a shared driveway.) The parish council recommends that the district council refuses these applications.
 - 5 DC/21/06926 works to trees subject to Tree Preservation Order MS300/T1: Thin crown of 1no Ash 25%, remove all epicormic growth, pull in branches overhanging properties.5 Ash Tree Close Fressingfield. Councillors discussed extensively whether the correct tree was identified in the paperwork. If the district council arboricultural officer confirms the exact location of the tree, the parish council recommends approval of this application.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Date of next meeting - full council meeting on Wednesday 19 January at 7.30pm

Date of the meeting: 04/01/2022