

PLANNING COMMITTEE

**Monday 12th July, 2021 at 4.00pm held in the Day Centre,
London Rd, Halesworth and via Zoom Video Conference**

Present: Councillors;
P Dutton (Chair), A Fleming, J Reece, K Prime, M Took, J Wagner

In Attendance: N Rees (Town Clerk), no members of the public.

Minutes

1. **Apologies:** None
2. **Declarations of interest:** None
3. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on the 11th January, 2021 was accepted as a true record, Cllr Prime abstained as she was not present for the whole meeting.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes.** Cllr Reece asked if there had been any updates on the Saxon Way land clearance (adjacent to Pound Close). The Clerk confirmed that the land had been bought by a developer but as yet no applications had been received.
5. **Planning Applications:** To consider the following:
 - a) **DC/21/2527/FUL** | Due to anticipated housing developments in the area, SCC proposes to increase the capacity of the school. To support the expansion of the school and to increase the areas available for external play and this planning application is to address this need. This is achieved by the additional hard play areas proposed. Edgar Sewter Primary School, Norwich Road, Halesworth Suffolk IP19 8BU. After discussion, during which some members of the Committee felt that the loss of the grass area was of concern, it was eventually **RESOLVED** with 4 in favour, 1 abstention and 1 against that the Committee recommended approval.

The Chair expressed concerns over the potential increase in parking related issues outside the school when the number of pupils increased as anticipated. Whilst this did not directly relate to the application it was nonetheless related to the expansion of the school. It was **RESOLVED** that the Committee agreed that these concerns together with any possible solutions should be taken to the next monthly meeting.
 - b) **DC/21/2920/FUL** Single storey extension to side and rear 35 Chichester Road Halesworth Suffolk IP19 8JL: It was **RESOLVED** that the Committee recommended approval.

c) **DC/21/2965/FUL** Mono pitch extension projecting 3m to the east elevation. Sycamore House, Wissett Road, Halesworth, Suffolk IP19 8PU: It was **RESOLVED** that the Committee recommended approval.

d) **DC/21/2986/FUL** Single storey rear extension to form garden room. 17 Princes Green Halesworth Suffolk IP19 8DP: It was **RESOLVED** that the Committee recommended approval.

6. **Correspondence:** The Committee agreed to consider the application DC/21/3107/FUL as this was just a renewal of the permission for the Millennium Green Trust to keep a container on their land for storage purposes. It was **RESOLVED** that the Committee recommended approval.

The Chair asked the Committee to consider supporting a parliamentary motion: *'This house believes planning works best when developers and the local community work together to shape local areas and deliver necessary new homes; and therefore calls on the Government to protect the right of communities to object to individual planning applications'*. The Committee recommended that the Council supports this motion and so this would now be taken to the next monthly meeting

7. **News Items: None**

The meeting was closed at 7.25pm