

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on

Monday 4th June at 6.15pm

Halesworth Town Council

Day Centre

Waveney Local Office

London Road, Halesworth

Present: Councillors;

A Fleming, P Dutton, K Forster, K Greenberg, K Prime, M Took,

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

Minutes

- 1. **Election Chair and Vice Chair:** It as resolved that Cllr Keith Greenberg was elected as Chair and it was RESOLVED that Cllr Fleming was elected as Vice Chair.
- 2. **Apologies.** Cllr D Thomas.
- 3. **Declarations of interest:** There were no declarations of interests.
- 4. **Minutes**: The minutes of the meeting held on the 21st May, 2018 were accepted as a true record.
- 5. **Matters arising from the minutes**. It was noted that at the last meeting the Committee reviewed the previous minutes held on the 26th March, 2018 and there were some outstanding questions regarding the application DC/18/0696/ARM Old Station Road. Cllr Dutton had asked at the time whether there had been any response. The March minutes were not at hand and the Clerk could not recall exactly what the questions were but it was agreed that he would consult with the Chair, Cllr Greenberg (who had not been present at the last meeting) and would report back.
- 6. **Planning Applications**: To consider the following:
 - a) DC/18/1355/FUL Single storey extension Construction of a one bedroom house, High Hill House, 30, London Rd, Halesworth. It was RESOLVED that the Committee recommended approval.
 - b) DC/18/0696/ARM Surface Water Management, Land rear Old Station Rd, Halesworth.

The Committee agreed that the information provided for the SuDS Construction Surface Water Management Plan, produced by Armstrong Elliott consisted mainly of graphs and technical calculations and these were largely meaningless to the Committee. There was no explanation as to what conditions are needed for this scheme to work successfully. The Committee would like confirmation that the proposed works would not adversely affect the existing surface water problems. Cllr Dutton expressed some doubts over the scheme as it was known the site had a layer of sandy soil over a layer of clay, therefore logically as the water drained it would most likely travel down the hill through the lighter soil rather than through the heavier clay. The Committee would like to know who is responsible for the maintenance of the SuDS and surrounding area. The Committee noted concerns by residents regarding tree removal on site and the Committee would like confirmation that no trees have been removed that have not been specifically approved for removal by WDC's Planning department in accordance with the relevant policy. It was then RESOLVED that the Committee recommended refusal subject to receiving answers

to the questions raised above. In the meantime it was agreed that the Clerk would contact Armstrong Elliott to ask whether they could forward an explanation of their system for the Committee to consider.

7. **Correspondence:** There was no correspondence to consider.

The meeting was closed at 6.40pm