

Present: Councillors; A Fleming, K Forster, K Greenberg (Chair), M Took,

In Attendance: N Rees (Town Clerk).

Minutes

- 1. Apologies. Cllrs; K Prime, P Dutton, D Thomas
- 2. **Declarations of interest:** There were no interests declared.
- 3. **Minutes**: The minutes of the meeting held on the 16th July, 2018 were accepted as a true record.
- 4. **Matters arising from the minutes.** Cllr Greenberg reported on the WDC Planning Committee he had attended to put forward arguments on behalf of the Council in objection to the development in Old Station Rd. Despite only being allowed three minutes Cllr Greenberg put forward the case that the Council believed that the site being designated 'Self Build/Custom' was in fact an attempt by the developer to avoid paying the Community Infrastructure Levy and this was a dangerous precedent. There was only one developer and no evidence that there was a list of self-build purchasers waiting to buy the plots. The Council also had serious concerns over the surface water drainage on the site. Cllr Greenberg's points were not commented upon and although District Cllr Tony Goldson supported the Town Council's position, the remaining members of WDC's Planning Committee voted in favour of the development.
- 5. **Planning Applications**: To consider the following:

a) DC/18/2912/FUL | Construction of a single storey rear extension | 66 Bedingfield Crescent Halesworth Suffolk IP19 8ED. The Committee **recommended approval**

b) DC/18/2919/FUL | Replace 4 windows to the rear elevation at first floor, repair or replace 1 window on the Northern gable end wall at second floor level to match Southern gable window that has approval. Install a permanent staircase from 1st floor to second floor to gain access to second floor area making the existing bedroom space accessible other than a loft hatch. Improve 1st and 2nd floor layouts, with the addition of new walls and very little removal of others as identified within the drawings supplied. | First Floor Flat 15 Thoroughfare Halesworth Suffolk IP19 8AH. The Committee **recommended approval**

6. **Correspondence:** The Clerk readout the response to the Committee's concerns over the surface water drainage from Lanpro, on behalf of Armstrong Elliott concerning Old Station Road. This reply confirmed that all the water would be contained within the

site and the design more than complied with WDC requirements at the outline planning stage and had been scrutinised and approved by Suffolk County Council's Local Lead Flood Authority. The Committee agreed that it could do no more in this matter but the email reply would be kept on record so it could be referred to in case of problems occurring at a later stage.

The meeting was closed at 10.26am