

SUDBURY TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING DEVELOPMENT AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE TOWN HALL MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2023 COMMENCING AT 6.30 PM**

Committee members present: Mr N Bennett - in the chair

Mrs S Ayres
Ms J Carter
Mr S Hall
Mr A Osborne
Mr T Regester

Mr C Griffin – Town Clerk
Mrs J Budd – Deputy Town Clerk

2 members of public

Due to ongoing issues with the camera, the meeting was broadcast with only the audio.

1. **Substitutes and Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors T Cresswell and Miss A Owen.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

Councillors S Ayres and A Osborne declared that they were Babergh District Councillors. Councillor J Carter declared that she was a Suffolk County Councillor.

Councillor S Hall declared a pecuniary interest in item 8 and would leave the room when it was discussed.

Councillor T Regester declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application DC/23/00765 in that he had discussed other aspects of the development of ‘The Cyclist’ with the owner.

3. **Declarations of gifts and hospitality**

There were no declarations of gifts or hospitality.

4. **Requests for dispensation**

No requests for dispensation had been received.

5. **Minutes**

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Planning Development and Highways Committee meeting held on the 13th February 2023 be confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

6. **Actions from previous minutes**

The Deputy Town Clerk reviewed progress on actions from the previous meetings. There were two items requiring actions:

- Harp Close Road – change to one-way
- Heavy goods vehicles in Station Road

County Councillor Ms Carter had no further information to give regarding these two matters.

RECOMMENDED

That the update be noted.

7. **Planning Applications**

DC/23/00616 **Proposal:** Notification of Works to Trees in a Conservation Area – Fell 1no Leylandii (T1)
Location: Priory Cottage, 53 Friars Street, Sudbury. CO10 2AG.

RECOMMENDED – Approve. Would like to see a suitable specimen planted in its place.

DC/23/00695 **Proposal:** Housing Planning application – Conversion of and extension to garage to form studio as additional living accommodation.
Location: 24 Friars Street, Sudbury. CO10 2AA.

RECOMMENDED – Approve.

DC/23/00765 **Proposal:** Application under S73a for removal or variation of conditions following grant of DC/19/02975 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) Erection of 2no dwellings (following demolition of existing outbuilding) Condition 2 (approved plans and documents) condition 7 (Materials) Condition 8 (Rainwater Goods) – Changes to internal layout, fenestration layout, position of doors, cladding, improved insulation and amended roof (from hipped slate to flat green roof).
Location: 53 Ballingdon Street, Sudbury. CO10 2BZ.

RECOMMENDED – Approve as long as the two conditions relating to visibility and parking remain.

DC/23/00787 **Proposal:** Householder application – Erection of one and half storey extension (following demolition of garage).
Location: 8 Pinecroft Rise, Sudbury. CO10 7PA

RECOMMENDED – Approve.

DC/23/00845 **Proposal:** Householder application – Erection of single-storey side extension.
Location: 46 Girling Street, Sudbury. CO10 1LZ

RECOMMENDED – Approve.

8. Weavers Tap – Extension of Licence

Councillor S Hall left the room as he had declared a pecuniary interest in this item.

Following an email from Babergh District Council Licensing, members discussed an application from the Weavers Tap in East Street to increase their licensing hours.

Members of the public expressed their concerns regarding the increase of noise this extension would create. There was an existing problem with the noise that residents felt wasn't being managed properly.

RESOLVED

That the Town Council recommend refuse this application on the grounds of the impact the increased noise would have on local residents.

Councillor S Hall returned at the end of this item.

9. Highways List

Councillor Ms Carter had requested thoughts on the 20's plenty scheme. Members advised that they have always been supportive of this scheme especially around schools. If the streets around the schools could also be included this could improve safety even more. Suffolk County Council had withdrawn all funding towards 20's plenty scheme. Therefore, funding would have to be provided by the Town Council however grants may be available.

RECOMMENDED

That at a future meeting, members discuss this in more detail. There should be a map detailing where 20mph zones are currently and the streets around them which might be suitable for a 20 mph zone extension.

That Councillor Ms Carter request traffic accident data from Suffolk County Council.

That Suffolk Highways be asked for an answer on the practicality of Harp Close Road becoming one way as requested at the 19 December 2022 meeting.

That Councillor Ms Carter discuss with the Highways Officer the possible merits of Acton Square being one-way.

That the content of the highways list be noted.

The meeting closed at 7.47 pm

Signed