

SUDBURY TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING DEVELOPMENT AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE TOWN HALL MONDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2023 COMMENCING AT 6.30 PM**

Committee members present: Mr N Bennett - in the chair

Mrs S Ayres
Ms J Carter
Mr A Osborne
Miss A Owen
Mr T Regester

Mr C Griffin – Town Clerk

The Chairman agree to start the meeting with only the audio recorded as the video camera would not connect to the MS Teams broadcast system.

1. **Substitutes and Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors T Cresswell and S Hall.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

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

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 30th January 2023 be confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

6. **Actions from previous minutes**

The Town Clerk reviewed progress on actions from the previous meetings. A copy of the action plan is shown at minute page 71.

RECOMMENDED

That the update be noted.

7. **Planning Applications**

DC/23/00334 **Proposal:** Listed Building Consent – Removal of existing cladding and replacing with lime render.
Location: 51 Friars Street, Sudbury. CO10 2AG.

RECOMMENDED – Approve.

DC/23/00429 **Proposal:** Planning application – Change of use of land for the creation of secure storage compound including siting of 2no 6m storage containers and erection of 1.8m perimeter security fence.
Location: Sudbury Telephone Exchange, Newton Road, Sudbury. CO10 2RL.

RECOMMENDED – Approve.

DC/23/00442 **Proposal:** Householder Application – Erection of single storey rear extension (amended roof scheme, re-submission of DC/22/03957).
Location: 2 Friars Court, Edgworth Road, Sudbury. CO10 2TG.

RECOMMENDED – Approve.

DC/23/00475 **Proposal:** Planning application – Construction of a 3G Football Turf Pitch (3G FTP) with associated 15m high LED floodlighting, 4.5m high fencing, hard standings, storage container and infrastructure.
Location: AFC Sudbury, Mel Group Stadium, Brundon Lane, Sudbury. CO10 7HN.

RECOMMENDED – Approval in principle for an artificial pitch on this site, but not before the following points had been addressed;

- The Suffolk County Council, as Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA), holding objection on flood water risk.
- An ecological management plan (EMP) should be produced as recommended in the ecological appraisal.
- That the potential environmental pollution from ‘rubber crumb’ infill be fully assessed to ensure that there was no additional cancer risk to either those playing on the pitch or through leakage into nearby waterways. It should be noted that the EU were considering a total ban on 3G pitches with ‘rubber crumb’ infill and it could be more cost effective to use an environmentally safe alternative from the start rather than have to convert the pitch at a later date.

8. **Highways List**

Members asked for an update on the response from Suffolk Highways on the following issues at the next meeting;

- Harps Close Road options for a one-way system.
- Station Road restrictions on heavy goods vehicles.

RECOMMENDED

That the content of the highways list be noted.

The meeting closed at 7.21 pm

Signed

Action Plan – 13th February 2023

Outstanding Actions.

- **Street names list – This has been passed onto Babergh District Council**
- **Highways list – Churchill Drive – West Suffolk Council advised that, as there are no parking restrictions on this road, vehicles could park, however should any parking be seen as dangerous, this would be a police matter. Councillor Ms Carter has arranged a meeting, on site, with a Highways Engineer at the end of the month.**
- **Highways list – Gaol Lane – The lack of a waiting restriction in the parking bay has been passed onto a highways officer for review.**