



MELTON PARISH COUNCIL

PLA(18)M01

Planning and Transport Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the Melton Parish Council Planning and Transport Committee held on Wednesday 24 January 2018 commencing at 19:00 at Riverside Office, Robertson's Boatyard, Lime Kiln Quay, Woodbridge IP12 1BD.

Present:

Cllr Mr J E Bale Cllr Miss E A Barrington (Chairman) Cllr Mr N Brown	Cllr Mrs E J G Hilson Cllr Mr M Holmes Cllr Mr A H Porter
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Absent:

Cllr Mr A G Corston	Cllr Mr M L Webb
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In Attendance:

Mr W J Grosvenor Clerk to Melton Parish Council	
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	PART ONE – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
18.01	TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Corston and Cllr Webb. Cllr Webb added that the reason for his absences from the Committee – business visits to London – would not be happening in the future and he anticipated being able to attend more regularly.
18.02	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
18.02.01	To receive Amendments to the Register There were none.
18.02.02	To Receive Declarations of Pecuniary Interest in Respect of Items on the Agenda There were none.
18.02.03	To receive Declarations of Non Pecuniary Interest in Respect of Items on the Agenda There were none.
18.02.04	To Consider Full / Partial Dispensations for Pecuniary Interests Declared It was noted that there had been no requests for dispensations.
18.03	OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO TALK TO COUNCILLORS There were no members of the public present.
18.04	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING It was RESOLVED to agree the Minutes of the Planning and Transport

	<p>Committee held on 20 December 2017 (Minutes PLA(17)M12 previously distributed).</p> <p>Proposed by: Cllr Brown Seconded by: Cllr Barrington</p>
18.05	TO REVIEW NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED
18.05.01	<p>DC/17/4567/FUL 6 Rixon Crescent, Melton Park (revised application)</p> <p>Proposed alterations and small rear extension.</p> <p>It was resolved that as the alterations to the plans were insufficient to address the Committee's original concerns and those of neighbouring residents, the recommendation for refusal for the reasons stated in the Council's response of 23 November 2017 still stands.</p>
18.05.02	<p>DC/18/0209/VOC land rear of Hall Farm Road, Melton</p> <p>Variation of conditions of planning consent DC/16/2900/FUL – erection of eight dwellings with associated garages and parking and construction of access road.</p> <p>It was resolved to recommend approval of the application, as Melton PC Planning and Transport Committee considers the application to be in line with the National Planning Policy Framework, the Suffolk Coastal District Council Local Plan Core Strategy and Development Management Policies, and it is not aware of any objections from residents.</p>
18.06	TO REVIEW UPDATES ON OTHER PLANNING APPLICATIONS
18.06.01	<p>DC/17/5293/FUL Boat Avail, Saxon Reach, New Quay Lane, Melton</p> <p>Retrospective application for the retention of solar panels, generator shed, hard core access track and 2.45m high fence.</p> <p>MPC response sent 21 December recommending refusal. Application went to Suffolk Coastal DC Planning Committee 18 January 2018 with recommendation for approval. The report mentions the recommendation of Melton Parish Council for refusal, and also Policy MEL14 – Retention of Riverside Qualities – contained within the Melton Neighbourhood Plan passed by referendum on 7 December 2017. At the time of the meeting the minutes of the SCDC Planning committee were not available.</p>
18.07	TO REVIEW PLANNING NOTICES RECEIVED
	None were received.
18.08	TO CONSIDER DRAFT BUSINESS PLAN
	<p>Paper PLA(18)08 previously distributed was received. Following discussion it was AGREED that the text on page 11 at the beginning of the final paragraph under "Planning and Transport Committee Objectives" will be amended to read: "MPC will work with developers to ensure that they deliver the community benefits as defined in the Melton Neighbourhood Plan for the 9.7 hectare site off Wilford Bridge Road."</p> <p>As the Draft Plan has already been considered by FERM and Recreation Committees, the amended draft will go back to FERM Committee in February and then to Full Council in March for sign off.</p>
18.09	TO CONSIDER UPDATE ON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ISSUES
	Cllr Barrington reported that Suffolk Coastal DC will sign off the Melton Neighbourhood Plan on 25 January 2018. Engagement with the Riduna Park developers re the Carter / Warburg site will follow.
18.10	TO FURTHER CONSIDER THE POSITION ON THE MELTON HILL PLANNING APPLICATION (DC/17/2840/FUL)
	No substantive developments to report. The Suffolk Coastal DC internal complaints process is still being pursued and a complaint to the Ombudsman / judicial review remain a possibility. However meanwhile there is a possibility as well that the scheme as approved in principle may not proceed.

18.11	TO CONSIDER TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS
18.11.01	Station Road traffic calming measures - update The Clerk reported that he is still waiting for a response from Jon Pattle, who is to liaise with Ben Chester and offer dates convenient to both for another meeting with residents. He chased Mr Pattle on both 3 and 24 January. The likely cause of the delay is the need for Ben Chester of Suffolk CC to ascertain definitively what can and cannot be done legally in terms of both the traffic calming and the Wilford Bridge Road crossing.
18.11.02	Woods Lane closure issues - update Cllr Barrington reported all the recent issues and dialogue with the police regarding Saddlemaker's Lane; currently however the position is not too bad. It is understood that the <i>Happy Horse</i> retailer and other businesses are seeking to take legal action to recover compensation for alleged lost trade due to the closure.
18.11.03	Bus service changes- letter to First Eastern Counties Paper PLA(18)11.03 previously distributed was received and NOTED . The Clerk reported that so far no response was received.
18.11.04	Report from Local Transport Officer (LTO) Paper PLA(18)11.04 previously distributed was received and discussed. In relation to the traffic count data, it was felt that some comparative data identifying trends would be very helpful. The Clerk will raise this with the LTO.
18.12	TO CONSIDER PLANNING ENFORCEMENT MATTERS
18.12.01	Suffolk coastal DC Authorised Enforcement Action – Case update Paper PLA(18)12.01 previously distributed was received and NOTED .
18.12.02	The Knacker's Yard – contravention of terms on which planning application DC/16/0248/FUL was approved – update Cllr Barrington stated that the Pet Crematorium is now completed. Otherwise there is nothing to report. The situation will continue to be monitored.
18.12.03	Land to the rear of Cedar House, Pytches Road Nothing to report.
18.13	PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS The Clerk reported a complaint about the state of the road just north of Melton Old Church. Cllr Barrington will email David Chenery at Suffolk CC to see if he can assist. A possible solution might be to use CIL parish monies if SCC unable to assist because of financial constraints. The Clerk to acknowledge the complaint and say that the Parish Council is raising the matter in writing with Suffolk CC.
18.14	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 21 February 2018, commencing at 19:00 at Riverside Office, Robertson's Boatyard, Lime Kiln Quay, Woodbridge IP12 1BD. There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:15.