

20.54	<p>THE REFRESH OF THE MELTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – UPDATE</p> <p>The Clerk reported on the outcome of a zoom conference held earlier that day with the Council’s Neighbourhood Planning Consultant, in relation to advice on the timing of proceeding with the refresh, given the outstanding situation with regard to the application for development of the land off St Andrews Place and Waterhead Lane (see minute 20.52.02 above). The Clerk advised that he has submitted a detailed report to Cllr Brown (who was also unable to attend the conference) and at this stage felt only able to inform the Committee that the basic advice is to await until the planning application decision has been made because of the land supply position. Once Cllr Brown has had the opportunity to consider all the advice, he will brief Councillors in more detail.</p>
20.55	<p>PLANNING CONSULTATIONS LAUNCHED BY EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL RELATING TO ACTIVE TRAVEL, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND MITIGATING IMPACTS ON NATURE</p> <p><i>Draft Walking and Cycling Strategy</i> https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy-and-local-plans/cycling-and-walking-strategy/ This consultation was considered and minuted at Item 20.49.03 above.</p> <p>The Clerk took Members through the other two consultations which are open to 30 November 2020.</p> <p><i>Draft Statement of Community Involvement</i> https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy-and-local-plans/statement-of-community-involvement-and-local-development-scheme/</p> <p>This draft document sets out how residents can be involved in the production of planning policy documents and have their say on planning applications. In discussion it was felt that as the Council is a statutory consultee in planning matters it should have ample opportunity to always be able to comment on both documents and applications. Therefore no specific response was required.</p> <p><i>Draft Recreational Disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy</i> https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy-and-local-plans/supplementary-planning/</p> <p>This draft document looks at how to reduce the impact of new housing developments on protected habitat sites. It aims to lessen the impact of increased levels of recreational use that arise from new housing, and provides a means of mitigation, including by the imposition of per-dwelling tariffs on developers. It was AGREED to NOTE this consultation document.</p>
20.56	<p>TO CONSIDER UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS REGARDING THE SIZEWELL C PROJECT</p> <p>Paper PLA(20)56 previously distributed was received. This report advised Members that because of changes made to the EDF application, a further period of consultation will need to be undertaken, running from mid-November to mid-December. A summary of the proposed areas of change was also provided. A report will need to be taken to the meeting of Full Council on 18 November, by which time EDF will have announced its detailed proposals, together with the firm dates and mechanism for the consultation. Full Council in turn will need to set</p>

	out arrangements (including necessary delegations as appropriate) for ensuring a response can be provided within the timescale.
20.57	<p>FUTURE OF PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHAPEL 1860, THE STREET AND OSIER BARN, DAINES LANE</p> <p>Cllr Abbott reported on a discussion with East Suffolk Council's Principal Design and Conservation Officer about the Methodist Chapel, now disused. The building already benefits from the protection afforded by the Melton Conservation Area designation but enquiries will be made to Historic England about the possibility of listing.</p> <p>Similar enquiries will be made in relation to the Osier Barn off Daines lane. An update on both will be provided to the next meeting.</p>
20.58	TO CONSIDER HIGHWAYS, TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS
20.58.01	<p>Report from Local Transport Officer (LTO)</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
20.58.02	<p>Proposed pedestrian crossings and other road safety issues in Melton Road</p> <p>The Assistant Clerk reported that basic designs showing the location of the proposed crossings were received on 27 October and distributed to Councillors on Planning and Transport Committee. Concerns were expressed by Members at the impact on those dwellings without off-street parking. The Assistant Clerk had already asked if the crossing near the Playing Field could be shifted to closer to the existing double yellow lines and was awaiting a response. It was suggested that a site meeting be held after lockdown ends, with an invitation extended to all interested Councillors, before the matter is brought back to Planning and Transport Committee in December. Meanwhile a copy of the designs will also be provided to the Council's Footpaths Advocate.</p>
20.58.03	<p>Quiet Lanes initiative – invitations for expressions of interest</p> <p>Cllr Abbott suggested that although she was aware that, previously, Planning and Transport Committee did not consider the Quiet Lanes initiative a priority for the Council, the fact that the concept is now backed by County Council funding makes it worth registering an interest. She proposed that the Council register an interest in having Lodge Farm Lane designated. The Clerk added that if Lodge Farm Lane was proposed, then it made sense to look at St Audry's Lane as well. Following discussion these proposals were AGREED. The Clerk will register an interest in respect of those lanes accordingly.</p>
20.58.04	<p>Purchase of speed indicator sign (SID) – outstanding issues</p> <p>The Assistant Clerk reported that initial problems with the SID device were being overcome, but the most significant problem was the fact that due to the volume of traffic, the battery life was only a few days before needing to be changed. Solar power was urgently being investigated and prices being sought.</p>
20.58.05	<p>Concerns by parishes about traffic levels</p> <p>The Clerk referred to a draft letter received from the Clerk of Campsea Ashe Parish Council, previously distributed, which invites Melton Parish Council to become a co-signatory, along with other local parishes, to a letter addressed to both East Suffolk Council and Suffolk County Council. The focus of the letter is the concern about traffic levels generally with specific issues relating to both Bentwaters and the coastal energy projects, and it requests a meeting "with all relevant parties". In discussion on the draft, it was felt that the proposed approach is unlikely to succeed, and that a more strategic approach focusing on the traffic issues specific to Melton via constructive discussions with Cllr Nicoll in the first instance might be more advantageous.</p>

20.59	TO CONSIDER PLANNING ENFORCEMENT MATTERS
20.59.01	Suffolk coastal DC Authorised Enforcement Action – Case update Nothing to report.
20.60	PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN’S URGENT BUSINESS Cllr Darby raised a query about Melton Parish Council becoming a dementia friendly council. The Clerk advised her to bring the matter to Full Council and he will put it on the agenda.
20.61	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 16 December 2020, commencing at 19:00 via Zoom conferencing. There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.37.