WHITTLESEY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 17th June 2019 at 7.30pm at
Grosvenor House, Grosvenor Road, Whittlesey.

Present: Cllr Whitwell, Mrs Mayor, Munns, Lang-Whiston, Laws, Mrs Windle, Bristow

Officer in Attendance: Mrs Sue Piergianni – Town Clerk & RFO

Recording: DS25.DS2

P58/19. To receive apologies for absence from members.

Cllr Gerstner (Holiday),

P59/19. Election of the Vice Chairman as Cllr Bristow has resigned his position on WTC Planning Committee due to being a member of FDC Planning Committee.

Cllr Mrs Lang-Whiston was proposed by Cllr Miscandlon, Seconded by Cllr Mrs Mayor with a unanimous vote in favour.

P60/19. To confirm and sign minutes from the last meeting of the Planning Committee held on 10th June 2019

Ratified: The Minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

P61/19. Presentation by Mr Brent Warner – Postland Developments (second phase for Coates)

Phase 2 was initially refused by FDC. Following the public consultation, it was confirmed there was 84% support from residents, highways and other bodies also supported the plan. WTC did not like the scheme and FDC refused it. The new scheme has a defensible boundary between Eastrea and Coates. Over 30% of the development are three bed houses, residents requested some bungalows which have been catered for, there are also some modest three bed homes which will be more affordable. Mr Warner will be submitting the planning application within the next few weeks and would like to ask the council to support this application.

Mr Warner confirmed this will be a totally separate development, it will not be gated and will not connected to the first phase which is Minuet Village. The property owners will pay towards a management company who maintain the site boundaries etc. Cllr Bristow asked if more bungalows could be on the site, Mr Warner advised they are trying to balance the density, but they could change two of the detached bungalows to semi-detached bungalows with a smaller footprint. Cllr Mrs Lang Whiston suggested smaller bungalows possible two bed for people who need to move to a bungalow but only require a small property. Cllr Mrs Mayor asked that if they do split the bungalows into semi-detached will they still be built with a garage; this was confirmed by Mr Warner.

Cllr Whitwell expressed concern that Coates school is full, Mr Warner has met with representatives from education, but was advised the children may have to be transported to New Road School in Whittlesey.

P62/19. Declaration of member’s interests.

Cllr Mrs Laws as a Portfolio holder for planning at FDC and Cllr Bristow as a member of FDC Planning Committee advised that should Planning applications be discussed they may comment, but reserve the right to change their minds should more information become available later

Cllr Mrs Windle F/YR19/0437/F – declared a personal interest and would speak on the application.
Cllr Mrs Land-Whiston F/YR19/0467/RM – declared a personal and pecuniary interest and would comment but take not part in any vote.

62A/19. Public Forum. - To allow members of the public to address the Council. Time allowed 15 mins total.

There were no members of the public present.

P63/19. To consider Planning Applications received from FDC for comments including: -

Questions for every planning application – Does it meet the criteria of the Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service, building safe and designing out fire.

F/YR19/0419/F – Erection of a single storey orangery extension to side of existing dwelling at 2 Collins Court, Whittlesey.
The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR19/0422/RM - Reserved Matters application relating to detailed matters of appearance and landscaping pursuant to outline permission F/YR18/1113/0 for the erection of 1 x 2 bed and 1 x 3 bed dwellings (outline application with matters committed in respect of access, layout and scale) at Land East of 10 Burnthouse Road, Turves.
The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR19/0424/F – Erection of a single storey side extension to existing dwelling involving removal conservatory at 34 Eldernell Lane, Coates.
The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR19/0437/F – Erection of a single storey side/rear extension to existing building involving demolition of existing store at St Andrews Parish Hall, Parkinsons Lane, Whittlesey.
Cllr Mason was not present at the meeting but asked it to be noted that he declared an interest as he is a Church Warden for the Church and Church Hall.
The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR19/0455/F – Erection of a single storey rear extension to existing dwelling at 22 Guildenburgh Crescent, Whittlesey.
The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR19/0457/F – Change of use of domestic outbuildings to microbrewery (B2) at 491 March Road, Turves.
The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR19/0458/F – Erection of single storey road/side extension to existing dwelling involving conversion of existing garage at 6 Gull Way, Whittlesey.
The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR19/0461/F – Change of use from dwelling to hairdressing salon at 29 Whitmore Street, Whittlesey.
The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR19/0466/F – Erect 1 dwelling (2 storey 5 bed) with detached 2 storey triple garage and temporary siting at 2no caravans (during construction) at Plot 2 Land East of 47 March Road, Coates.
Cllr Mrs Laws has reported this to FDC enforcement as applicants do not have permission to live on the site, there are three caravans on the site, that are being lived in.
The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval but would like the notice to state that all the caravans are removed within three months of the completion of the build.
F/YR19/0467/RM - Reserved Matters application relating to detailed matter of appearance, landscaping and scale pursuant to outline permission (F/YR13/0804/0) for the Erection of 6 dwellings (2no 3 storey 5 bed, 1 single storey 4 bed and 3no 2 storey 5bed) at Land South of Jones Lane, Eastrea.

The Town Council recommend refusal of this application due to over intensification of site, access onto the A605 and the increased volume of traffic, WTC request that highways revisit this application. We also request that the Bio Diversity report from the original application can be clarified as it doesn't reflect what is on site and we believe it to be inaccurate, it states there no effect on the birds, however there are large established trees which will be felled, and finally the proposed will have a dominant effect on the existing bungalows, thus effecting the health and wellbeing of their residents.

F/YR19/0479/F – Erection of a 2 storey 3 bed dwelling at Land West of 53 Crescent Road, Fronting Feldale Place, Whittlesey

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval. Providing there is 30% amenity space.

P64/19 – Additional Information

Appeal APP/DOD515/D/19/3224231 – F/YR18/0937/F – 19 Willowbrook Drive, Coates, Whittlesey – The appeal is dismissed.

P65/19 Date of next meeting Monday 8th July 2019

Meeting Closed: 21.00

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Cllr Alex Miscandlon
Chairman
Planning Committee

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