WHITTLESEY TOWN COUNCIL — Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14th February 2022 at 7.30pm at Peel House, 8 Queen Street, Whittlesey, PE7 1AY

Present: Cllr Miscandlon, Davies, Mrs Windle, Mrs Mayor, Nawaz, Whitwell,

Officer in Attendance; Mrs Sue Piergianni - Town Clerk & RFO

Recording: The recoding is made as an aide memoir for the Clerk.

P13/2022. To receive apologies for absence from members.

Cllr Mrs Laws (Personal), Cllr Munns & Mockett (work)

P14/2022. To confirm and sign the minutes from the last meeting of the Planning Committee held on Wednesday 2nd February 2022

Ratified; The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

P15/2022. To receive members' declaration of disclosable pecuniary, non-disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in relation to any agenda item.

Cllr Miscandlon as Substitute on FDC Panning may make comment but will reserve the right to change his mind should more information become available

Cllr Mrs Mayor as a member on FDC Panning may make comment but will reserve the right to change her mind should more information become available

P16/2022. Public Forum

Steve Robertson – Coffee Cavern – CNC Signs saying dangerous building have been removed. What is the status of the building and is it dangerous?

P17/2022. To consider planning applications received from FDC and CCC.

F/YR22/0063/F - Erect 3 x residential units (2-storey block of 1-bed flats) involving the demolition of existing building within a conservation area at Land West Of 5 - 7 High Causeway Whittlesey Cambridgeshire

The Town Council recommend refusal over intensification of site, and there is no vehicular access to the site as this is a pedestrianised area.

F/YR22/0066/F - Installation of 4 x gas generators with radiator arrays, a DNO building, HV building, transformers, gas kiosk, client building, CCTV cameras on 4.0m posts, waste oil tank, clean oil tank and associated infrastructure for the generation of electricity including a perimeter fence (2.4m high max) at Land West of Aaron Road Industrial Estate Aaron Road Whittlesey Cambridgeshire.

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR22/0069/F - Erect a single-storey side extension to existing dwelling at 11D Burnthouse Road Turves Cambridgeshire

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR22/0071/F - Erect 1 x dwelling (2-storey, 4-bed), 2m high (max) front boundary fence and gate involving demolition of existing dwelling and no. 494 at 492 Oilmills Road Ramsey Mereside Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE26 2TS

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

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F/YR22/0072/F - Erect 1 x dwelling (2-storey, 3-bed) with garage/store and covered walkway, 2m high (max) front boundary fence and gate involving demolition of existing dwelling and no. 492 at 494 Oilmills Road Ramsey Mereside Cambridgeshire

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR22/0079/VOC - Variation of Condition 10 (approved drawings) of Planning permission F/YR20/0968/F (Erect a dwelling (2-storey 5-bed) with farm office, 1.2 metre high (approx) with 1.6 metre high (max approx) metal sliding gates, detached workshop and cattle shed (as part of an agricultural holding)) to allow installation of chimney stack and alterations to fenestration at Land North East Of 34 Eldernell Lane Coates Cambridgeshire

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR22/0105/F - Change of use of from offices and music studio to 3 x dwellings (2 x 2-bed flats and 1 x 1-bed flat) and (Class E) retail, involving the erection of a first floor and second floor rear extension and front boundary wall and railings with 2.1m high (max height) piers, and insertion of photovoltaic panels on the rear roof slope (part retrospective) at 7A - 9 Market Street Whittlesey Cambridgeshire

The Clerk to email FDC and advised that as no Conservation Officer report is present, WTC will discuss again on the 2nd of March and respond on the 3rd.

F/YR22/0106LB - Internal and external alterations to a listed building involving the erection of a first floor and second floor rear extension and erection of a front boundary wall and railings with 2.1m high (max height) piers, to enable a change of use of from, offices and music studio to create 3 x dwellings (2 x 2-bed flats and 1 x 1-bed flat) and (Class E) retail, including photovoltaic panels on the rear roof slope, and alterations to existing dwelling (7A Market Street) at 7A - 9 Market Street Whittlesey Cambridgeshire

The Clerk to email FDC and advised that as no Conservation Officer report is present, WTC will discuss again on the 2nd of March and respond on the 3rd.

F/YR22/0109/TRCA - Fell 1no Lime Tree within a Conservation Area at Holy Trinity Church North Green Coates Cambridgeshire PE7 2BQ

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR22/0121/F - Erect 2 x 2-storey 4-bed dwellings (Plot 4 and 5) at Land North Of 6 Irving Burgess Close Whittlesey Cambridgeshire

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

F/YR22/0137/TRCA - Fell 1 x Silver Birch tree and 1 x Maple tree within a conservation area at 11 North Green Coates Peterborough Cambridgeshire PE7 2BQ

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

CCC application - Proposed Disabled Persons parking bay, 42 Station Road, Whittlesey

The Town Council have no objection and therefore recommend approval.

Additional Information

Update on 'The Coffee Cavern' Change of use and pavement licence – Cllr Mrs Mayor advised members that the details she received gave no measurements however on investigation, it would appear the area required was nearly the length of the building on Market Street and approximately 5ft wide. FDC requested comments from WTC within 7 days, however would not allow WTC to have an extension for this to be discussed at the Planning Meeting, therefore Cllr Mrs Mayor has responded directly to FDC refusing this application on the grounds that the seating area is next to a building that is classed as dangerous and also the area requested for the seating area is too close to the crossing and encroaches onto the raised pavement area.

Saxon Pit – Clir Miscandion read out the following briefing from the Environmental Health Protection Team at FDC.

We are providing this briefing to update you on our investigation following complaints made to the council by residents in Whittlesey regarding Saxon Quarry.

Residents have reported concerns about odour and noise emanating from the site known as Saxon Quarry. The Environmental Health Team have been in contact with all residents who have formally made a complaint to the council, and all have been asked to complete a nuisance diary as this will provide evidence of the problem which we will need to progress individual complaints further.

Whilst the Council has been waiting for the return of the diary sheets, Officers from Environmental Health have since begun undertaking a series of programmed monitoring visits to the area. These visits are taking place at times when residents have initially indicated they have been affected by the odour and noise so that our observations can be considered representative to those provided by residents.

We continue to work closely with stakeholders regarding the current and proposed activity at Saxon Quarry, to ensure the issue of odour and noise is appropriately addressed and actioned by the relevant regulatory bodies. These include the Environment Agency (who have been regulating industrial practices at the site concerning waste, treatment of contaminated land, conservation and ecology) and Cambridgeshire County Council (as the relevant Planning Authority).

We will continue to keep all residents who have made a complaint to the Council updated during the course of our investigations.

P18/2022. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 2nd March 2022

Meeting Closed: 20:18.

Clir Alex Miscandion

Chairman

Planning Committee