BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 5th June 2023 at Old School House, Market Hill, Brandon at 7.00pm

Present:

1.

Cllr G Brocklehurst (Chair), Cllr H Kostecki, Cllr V Lukaniuk, Cllr T Nolan. Cllr P Wittam, Mr G Cock - Town Clerk

ELECTION OF CHAIR

Cllr Brocklehurst was nominated by Cllr Lukaniuk and seconded by Cllr Nolan. Cllr Brocklehurst was elected by a unanimous vote.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES of Planning Committee Meeting 4. of 27th April 2023.

Proposer: Cllr V Lukaniuk

Seconder: Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTCP/14/05/Jun/23

CARRIED: By majority vote: 2 for, 3 unable to vote.

THE PLANNING COMMITTEE RESOLVES THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF THURSDAY 27TH APRIL 2023 BE APPROVED.

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

One member of the public arrived at a later period of the meeting.

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6. PLANNING MATTERS

6.1 LIST OF APPLICATIONS FROM: 27/4/23 TO: 5/6/23

DC/23/0766/TPO

Planning Application – 25 Bracken Rise, Brandon Two Scots Pines – crown reduction and crown lifts.

Cllr Brocklehurst outlined the application to those assembled. Cllr Lukaniuk stated that this application will be presented to the tree officer at West Suffolk for consultation. Cllr Wittam mirrored these comments. A vote ensued.

Proposer: Cllr V Lukaniuk **Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTCP/15/05/Jun/23 CARRIED: Unanimous – SUPPORT

DC/23/0471/HH

Re-consultation - 108 St Benedicts Road, Brandon

Single storey rear extension.

Cllr Lukaniuk opened the discussion noting that this application was a re-consultation and he could see no objections to the plan. Cllr Brocklehurst commented that on the original plan the extension comprised of a flat roofed area, the new plan had been amended to show a pitched roof. A vote took place.

Proposer: Cllr P Wittam **Seconder:** Cllr H Kostecki

Resolution Record No: BTCP/16/05/Jun/23 CARRIED: Unanimous – SUPPORT

DC/23/0790/HH

Planning Application – 28 Rowan Drive, Brandon

Infill of garage with weatherboarding to front elevation, new window and french doors to side elevations, single and two storey rear extensions to form annexe.

Cllr Brocklehurst asked the applicant who was now present if they wished to address the planning committee. The applicant replied that he had no comment to make. Cllr Lukaniuk commented that this is seen as a sensible application and supported the conversion to a much-needed facility. Cllr Wittam added that this is a large plot and he could see no objection to the plan and again it was a sensible addition to the property.

A vote then took place. **Proposer:** Cllr V Lukaniuk **Seconder:** Cllr H Kostecki

Resolution Record No: BTCP/17/05/Jun/23 CARRIED: Unanimous – SUPPORT

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DC/23/0809/TCA

Planning Application – 79 High Street, Brandon

One pear and one apple fell. Mixed hedge line, remove large over extended and fire damaged limbs coming from lapsed hedge.

Cllr Brocklehurst opened the discussion stating by the enclosed pictures and by visual observation the trees in question required much needed attention and supported the application. Cllr Lukaniuk added that he also supported the application.

Proposer: Cllr V Lukaniuk **Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTCP/18/05/Jun/23 CARRIED: Unanimous – SUPPORT

DC/23/0524/TPO

Re-consultation – 19 Bracken Rise, Brandon

Beech trees located in the rear garden – crown lift to 3.5 metres above ground level and reduce southern crown spread by 3.5 metres.

Cllr Brocklehurst opened the discussion regarding the trees. It was noted that this is a re-consultation following previous approval by Brandon Town Council and numerous comments and advice had been given by the tree officer. A vote ensued.

Proposer: Cllr V Lukaniuk **Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTCP/19/05/Jun/23 CARRIED: Unanimous – SUPPORT

6.2 ANY APPLICATION RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA WAS PRODUCED

None.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Kostecki commented that a large extension had been added to the rear of number 17 High Street. Cllr Lukaniuk added that the committee had already approved a building extension to the rear of the property with added ventilation. Cllr Kostecki stated that the extension was extensive and provided a covered area for the majority of the rear garden. The Clerk added that this property fell within the conservation area of the High Street and that no additional planning permission had been received beyond that of what the Council had previously viewed. The Clerk is to look at the property the following morning and contact West Suffolk Planning Department as necessary.

Cllr Lukaniuk suggested to the meeting that future planning committee meetings are moved to the afternoons as most people were available to attend and this avoided additional evening meetings. The Clerk has subsequently confirmed that this is acceptable and the next meeting will be scheduled for 2pm.

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The member of public present asked if they could make a suggestion to the committee. The Chair allowed the member of the public to proceed. At which point they suggested the meetings be live streamed. This was generally agreed by all present.

The Clerk asked that future meetings be convened at 12pm to ensure that staff are available to undertake the live streaming without incurring additional overtime payments.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm

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