

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 12th MAY 2020 AT 6.45PM
USING ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING**

PRESENT:

Cllr Mrs A Gardner (Chairman)
Cllr C O'Rourke
Cllr N Brown
Cllr Mrs P H Whiting
Cllr P Tomas
Cllr B Spencer
Mrs S J Mitcham (Town Clerk)
Ms A J Schofield (Assistant Town Clerk)

1. **APOLOGIES**

Cllr D Hamblin.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr P Tomas has requested that an entry be made in the minutes to make it clear that as a member of both the Town and District Council he will reconsider all matters at District level taking into account all relevant evidence and representations at the District tier. Therefore, he cannot be bound in any way by any view expressed in the parish tier or by decisions of this Committee

3. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 17th March 2020 be signed by the Chairman as being a true and correct record.

4. **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

5. **PLANNING**

5.1. **To consider response to the following planning applications:-**

- (i) **20/00422/FUL: Change of use from residential to mixed use residential and bed and breakfast, 1 Hinde Stile, Higham Ferrers.**

RESOLVED:

That no comments or objections be made.

- (ii) **20/00450/FUL: Change of use of offices to 3 flats including parking and amenity spaces (incorporates 15A Westfields Terrace and part of 30 High Street), 15 Westfields Terrace, Higham Ferrers.**

RESOLVED:

That no comments or objections be made.

- (iii) **20/00266/FUL: Change of use of adjacent land into residential curtilage and erection of a 1.8m boundary fence. Single storey rear extension and replacement garage. at 47 Wharf Road, Higham Ferrers.**

RESOLVED:

That additional comment be made. Concern remains regarding the height of the fence and obstruction this may cause to the visibility of drivers on the junction of Wharf Road and Gardenfield and to drivers as they enter and exit from the driveway of the property. The Council note and support the comments from the Local Highway Authority and would not wish to see the visibility splays impaired by any object over 600mm.

5.2. **To note determinations on planning applications.**

RESOLVED:

That the following determinations on planning applications be noted.

Advertisement Consent

20/00013/ADV – 3 x 6m flag poles with company logo/name at Unit M, Bury Close, Higham Ferrers.

Planning Permission

20/00079/FUL – New conservatory to rear of existing garage and side of previous single storey kitchen extension to provide additional ground floor level space; loft conversion and extension at 33 Larkin Gardens, Higham Ferrers.

20/00131/FUL – One 4-bedroom dwelling including access, parking and amenity area (re-submission of 19/01847/FUL) at 37 Simpson Avenue, Higham Ferrers.

20/00260/FUL – Demolition of existing single storey garage and erection of 1 and 2 storey side extension and carport at 3 Stanwick Road, Higham Ferrers.

Planning Refusal

20/00298/FUL – Conversion of garage to games room (no external works proposed) at 15 Williams Way, Higham Ferrers.

Non Material Amendment

20/00331/AMD – Non material amendment to allow small window to be removed from west elevation, bay window to front elevation changed to a flat window and omit solidier coursing over new windows pursuant to applicant 19/00794/FUL single storey side extension and single storey rear extension.

20/00410/AMD – Non material amendment to allow for a reduction in the overall size of the proposed extension pursuant to application 18/00174/FUL Single storey rear and side extension.

19/01974/FUL – Erection of new rugby club house with four playing pitches and provision of new access road from existing roundabout, including creation of new pedestrian crossing and 3m wide shared footway and cycleway on adjacent highway at Land East of A6 and Roundabout, Bedford Road.

6. **ITEMS TO REPORT**

None.

7. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

16th June 2020.

Chairman

Date