

KESGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL
Planning and Development Committee Minutes
Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning and Development Committee held on
the 4th April 2016 at the Millennium Jubilee Hall, Kesgrave

Councillors Present:

K Archer (Vice Chairman)
N Beecroft-Smith
B Crutchfield
D Isaacs
P Mills (Chairman) (*Apologies*)
J Ogden
I Wallace

In Attendance:

- Mrs S Clements (Clerk to the Council)
- Town Councillor D Fairbrother and Town Councillor S Fairbrother
- Two members of the Public.

1. **Apologies for Absence** – An apology for absence was received from the Chairman of this Committee – Councillor Mills. In his absence the Vice Chairman – Councillor Archer chaired the Meeting.
2. **Declaration of Interests** – Councillor Archer declared a non-pecuniary interest under DC/16/1213/FUL – 45 Orchard Grove, as he resides in this area. He abstained from the discussion and subsequent vote relating to this proposal and signed the relevant Interest Book. (Full Details are available with these Minutes).
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting held on the 14th March 2016** – These Minutes were received, considered and approved by the Committee. (Full details are available with these Minutes).
4. **Clerks Report/Update/Matters Arising**

Councillors noted the following planning applications which have not been referred to the Local Planning Authority's Planning Committee, but have been dealt with via the District Council's Officers Panel Meeting held on the 29th March 2016 :-

Minute Number 8 – Schedule of Applications/Proposals

- 18 Bailey Avenue, Kesgrave – DC/16/0616/FUL – The Town Council recommended Refusal on this proposal and the Local Planning Authority (LPA) is seeking to Approve it. The LPA does not consider the extension to be unattractive and out of character in the surrounding area.
- 7 Bugsby Way, Kesgrave – DC/16/0566/FUL - The Town Council recommended Refusal on this proposal and the Local Planning Authority is seeking to Approve it.

The LPA comments that there is a mix of housing styles in this vicinity and that although the extension is not attractive, given the identical height of number 11 Bugsby Way, it is considered that a reason for refusal on character of the area could not be substantiated.

- 3 Cambridge Road, Kesgrave – DC/16/0641/FUL The Town Council recommended Approval on this proposal and the Local Planning Authority is seeking to Approve it, but the application needs to be considered at Committee level, due to the objection received from a local resident/s.
 - Waterworks Cottages, Bodmin Close, Kesgrave - DC/16/0635/FUL - The Town Council recommended refusal on this proposal and the Local Planning Authority is seeking to Approve it. The LPA comments that one property and the limited public vantage of the building would not detract from the character of the area. The Case Officer is to liaise with the owner/applicant regarding the caravan in the garden in order to seek to secure its removal if it is unauthorised. The Case Officer will then report back to the Chairman of the District Council's Development Committee.
- 5. Members of the Public –** One member of the public spoke about DC/16/1190/FUL - 8 Edmonton Road - Proposed detached dwelling (demolition of existing bungalow) as the applicant. He explained that there is a slight change to the previously submitted scheme as the Local Planning Authority considered that the original proposal would be too high. The demolition is necessary due to insufficient foundations currently.
- 6. Copy Letters of Objection/In Support/Observations –** The Committee noted that there were no letters to bring to the attention of this particular Meeting.
- 7. Schedule of Applications/Proposals –** The Committee considered and made its formal recommendations to the Local Planning Authority. (Full details are available with these Minutes)
- 8. Schedule of Planning Decisions –** The Committee noted these details. (Full details are available with these Minutes).
- 9. Neighbourhood Plan and Open Spaces Steering Group Updates –** Councillor Ogden advised the Committee that an update is currently awaited from Brightwell, Foxhall and Purdis Farm Parish Council and that the next Neighbourhood Plan Meeting is on the 18th April 2016 at 6.15pm in the Town Council Offices.
- 10. Local Planning Authority (LPA) Development Control Meetings –** Councillor Ogden advised the Meeting that there were no updates.
- 11. New/Additional Suggestions for Press and Media –** There were no new items for inclusion suggested.

12. Suffolk County Council Highways Meeting – Councillors received a verbal update from Councillor Crutchfield, following on from his Site Meeting on the 29th March 2016 with Mr Douglas Cook, an Engineer from the County Highways Department. They noted that some 8/9 years ago it was proposed to re-site the telecommunications equipment sited in this area at a cost of some £400,000 and that the outcome of the roundabout will be known in six months time.

13. National Government Planning Changes Consultation – Councillors considered this consultation document and noted that any responses need to be submitted by the deadline of the 15th April 2016. Councillor Crutchfield has submitted his comments and observations to the Clerk.

14. Matters of Communication of Sufficient Urgency and Importance as Agreed by the Chairman for Discussion

- Planning Reference C/16/0404 Sinks Pit, Main Road, Kesgrave – Proposal – Laying of blocked paved hard standing (retrospective) increase in height of the screen bund, erection of flood lighting, and temporary stockpiling of aggregate material to assist in reorganisation of stockpiling – Councillors noted that this County Deemed Application has been withdrawn, following an objection from the Waste Disposal Authority.
- Relocation of Post Office, Dobbs Lane, Kesgrave – The Clerk advised the Meeting that a communication has been received from the Post Office's Head Office apologising for the delay with implementing some of the infrastructure at the new Post Office and confirming that the additional lighting has now been installed, with the remaining works being in the process of being completed by mid April 2016.

15. Date of Next Meeting – The next Planning and Development Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, 9th May 2016 at 6.15pm. (Plans will be available to view from 6pm in the Council Chamber at the Town Council Offices).

There being no other business, the Meeting closed at 6.45pm.

Signed: Chairman.....Date.....