

KESGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL
Planning and Development Committee Minutes
Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning and Development Committee held on the
13th November 2017
in the Council Chamber, Kesgrave Town Council

Councillors Present:

K Archer (*Vice Chair of the Committee*)
A Athwall
N Beecroft-Smith
G Derrick (*Apologies*)
G Hamilton (*Apologies*)
P Mills (*Chair of the Committee*) (*Apologies*)
R Patten

In Attendance:

- Mrs S Clements – Town Clerk
- One?? Members of the Public ???

1. **Welcome and Apologies for Absence** – The Vice Chairman welcomed those present at the Meeting. (In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman – Councillor Archer chaired the Meeting). Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Derrick, Hamilton and Mills.
2. **Declaration of Interests** – Councillor Archer declared a non-pecuniary interest in one of the applications/proposals under Minute 7 as he is a resident of Orchard Grove. He signed the relevant Interest Book and took no part in the discussion and the subsequent vote.
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting held on the 30th October 2017** – These Minutes were received, considered and approved by the Committee, following the vote. (Copy in Minute Book).
4. **Clerks Report/Update/Matters Arising** –
 - Minute Number 7 – Schedule of Applications/Proposals – DC/17/3995/OUT – 20 Bell Lane – Revised Plans/Line Site Boundary – The Committee received the amended details and noted that the boundary line has been amended.
 - Minute Number 13 – Right Homes Government Consultation (White Paper) – The Clerk reported that Mrs Jimpson has written to national government to reaffirm the Town Council's formal support of SALC's (Suffolk Association of Local Councils) consultation response. A relevant acknowledgement has also been received by the Town Council relating to this consultation response, where the deadline was the 9th November 2017.
5. **Members of the Public** – The member of the public in attendance spoke with regard to his concerns and strong objections relating to the Revisions and Retrospective proposal - DC/17/2929/FUL – 79 Dobbs Lane. He commented that the revised plans for the retrospective proposal do not reflect any significant changes in accordance with the original plans, apart from amendments to the dormer. Photographs and images were displayed and considered by the Committee. **Members of the Public –**

Formatted: Normal, Indent: Left: 0.75", No bullets or numbering

6. **Copy Letters of Objection/In Support/Observations** – The Committee noted that no letters have been received directly by the Town Council.

7. **Schedule of Applications/Proposals** – The Committee considered and made its formal comments/recommendations to the Local Planning Authority - (LPA). (Copy in Minute Book).

Members of the Public left the Meeting at this stage. ??

8. **Schedule of Planning Decisions** – The Committee noted the updates. (Copy in Minute Book).

9. **(Possible) Referral to Planning Committee of the LPA (Local Planning Authority) as opposed to Officer Delegated or The Planning Inspectorate** – The Committee noted;

- DC/17/2929/FUL – 79 Dobbs Lane - Revised Plans – The Committee received and considered the revised details received on the 13th November 2017. Refusal was recommended, following the vote. The Committee considered that the height and width is still unacceptable and not in accordance with the plans, the fact that the development is still cramped, and that there are still material planning considerations as to why this retrospective proposal should be refused. The Committee still considers that this unauthorised development is contrary to Policies Numbered DM21 (Design Aesthetics, good visual design and layout) and DM23 (Residential Amenity – access, daylight and sunlight and the physical relationship with other properties). The development' is too cramped, (DM8 Overdevelopment of the curtilage and scale), and it is out of character with the street scene and reduces the residential amenity. The revised retrospective scheme does not appear to have addressed previous concerns. The cramped plot is actually a very large house in this area of bungalows. This retrospective, revised application should be refused, as it is still unlawful and will set a precedent for any future, potential applicants. If this retrospective, revised proposal is not refused, indicating its breach and unlawful actions, it will make a mockery of planning control in this Town and District.

10. **Neighbourhood Plan Working Party** – The Committee received and agreed, following the vote, the amended Terms of Reference. Some Questionnaires have been delivered, with the remaining large delivery to every dwelling in Kesgrave being completed during this week. (Week commencing the 13th November 2017). To-date one completed Questionnaire has been returned to the Town Council offices. Neighbourhood Plan Working Party – The Committee noted that ??

11. **Adastral Park Development, Martlesham Heath (CEG Planning Application)** –The Committee noted that there were no further updates.

12. **Transport and Pedestrian Matters** – The Committee noted that;

- The Community Speed Watch Scheme – The Clerk reported that the scheme coordinators for this (partnership scheme with Kesgrave Town Council, Rushmere St Andrew Parish Council and Suffolk Constabulary have) has not as yet secured the purchase of the mobile speed signage with the remaining

Formatted: Normal

Formatted: Bulleted + Level: 1 + Aligned at: 0.75" + Indent at: 1"

funds from the previous 12PT scheme, due to issues with the company. An alternative purchase will now be sought via a different organisation.

- ~~Proposed Pedestrian Crossing – Junction of A1214, Main Road and Doctor Watsons Lane – The Clerk has been in contact with Openreach (BT) and the Highways Department of Suffolk County Council in readiness for considering the proposal made by the Chair of the Town Council's Transport and Pedestrian Working Party – Councillors discussed the Terms of Reference for this Working Party and the current delegated powers of the Planning and Development Committee and at the fact that all Working Party next Meeting Minutes are also considered by the full Town Council. The dates and timings of these Meetings were also discussed on the 11th December 2017.~~

Formatted: Underline

13. Date of Next Meeting – The next Planning and Development Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, 27th November 2017 at 6.15pm.

14. Agenda Items for Next Meeting – No items were raised.

There being no other business, the Meeting closed at 7.08pm. 7pm. ???

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

DRAFT