

KESGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

Planning and Development Committee Meeting Minutes 01 February 2021

Councillors Present:

K Archer
N Beecroft-Smith
A Cook
R Gibson (P&D Chairman)
D Shaw
G Ward

In Attendance:

- **Mrs J Abbott – Town Clerk**

1. **Welcome and to Receive and Accept Apologies for Absence** – The Chairman welcomed those present, there were no apologies for absence.
2. **Declaration of Interests** – Cllr Cook, non-pecuniary item 7, no.3 DC/21/0132/FUL Land adjacent 20 Emerald Close – neighbour of family member.
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting held on the 18 January 2021** – These Minutes were received, considered, and approved following the vote.
4. **Clerks Report/Update/Matters Arising** – J Abbott advised a planning application for Elm Road, Rushmere St Andrew was submitted for comment, this was questioned with the Planning Officer who advised as the road is close to the Kesgrave boarder, they included us. J Abbott advised the application does not have any impact on Kesgrave resident's and therefore no comment is needed. J Abbott also advised Cllr Gibson and the office were copied into an objection letter from a neighbour for planning application, 12 Trinity Close DC/20/5208/FUL. J Abbott acknowledged the email and confirmed this committee have already submitted their comments; 'support', as a consultee, to the LPA. They were also advised when the application was considered there were no neighbouring objections listed.
5. **Members of the Public** – one member of the public in attendance, wished to speak under item 7, as the Agent for planning application DC/21/0132/FUL Land adjacent 20 Emerald Close.
6. **Copy Letters of Objection/In Support/Observations** – None.

(Cllr D Shaw arrived at 6.22pm)

7. **Schedule of Applications/Proposals** – The Committee considered and made its formal comments/recommendations to the Local Planning Authority (LPA). Cllr Gibson proposed no.3 DC/21/0132/FUL Land adjacent 20 Emerald Close be considered first to enable the Agent who was present to speak. The Agent stated the land was sold to his client and therefore under planning law their application had to be considered as a new single planning application and not in connection with the previous landowner and developer of Emerald Close. Following a detailed discussion between the committee, it was proposed and agreed, by a majority vote to 'support' the application. (Cllr Cook abstained and Cllr Archer voted against).

(the member of public left the meeting at 6.30pm)

There were a remaining three applications for consideration, DC/21/0064/FUL 3 Lummis Vale, DC/21/0070/FUL 32 Padstow Road and DC/20/5259/FUL Kesgrave Hall, Hall Road; all these applications were recommended as 'support'. The committee also made planning observations to applications, 3 Lummis Vale and Kesgrave Hall.

8. **Schedule of Planning Decisions** – The Committee noted the four applications listed, which were all in agreement to this committees' recommendations. (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** – None.
10. **Other/Urgent Communications** – None.

(J Abbott noted a non-pecuniary interest in item 11. Family member is a patient)

11. **Suffolk Orthodontist; Bell Lane, Kesgrave – possible relocation of business premises**
– Cllr Archer informed the committee that if the Orthodontist does relocate their business to a larger site outside of Kesgrave, as stated in the local press, should the premises only be allowed to be residential not business moving forward. Following a lengthy discussion between all committee members it was stated that as the Town Council are not the Planning Authority and in principal members of this committee are in support of local businesses that all planning applications should be considered on their own merits, be it commercial or residential.
12. **Date of Next Meeting** – The next Planning and Development Committee meeting will be held on online via Microsoft Teams on Monday 15 February 2021 at 6.15pm.
13. **Agenda Items for Next Meeting** – None.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7.07pm

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