

KESGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

Planning and Development Committee Meeting Minutes 25 April 2022

Councillors Present:

N Beecroft-Smith

A Cook

R Gibson (Chairman)

G Ward

In Attendance:

- **Mrs J Abbott – Town Clerk**

- 1. Welcome and to Receive and Accept Apologies for Absence** – The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting.
- 2. Declaration of Interests** – none.
- 3. Minutes of the Last Meeting held on the 4 April 2022** – These minutes were received, considered, and approved following the vote. Cllr Cook abstained.
- 4. Clerks Report/Update/Matters Arising** – nothing to report.
- 5. Members of the Public** – none.
- 6. Copy Letters of Objection/In Support/Observations** – none.
- 7. Schedule of Planning Proposals** – The Committee considered and made its formal comments/recommendations to the Local Planning Authority (LPA). There were four applications for consideration, DC/22/1197/TPO Land to rear of 41 Dobbs Drift, DC/22/1144/FUL 3 Athroll Mews, DC/21/4005/ARM and DC/21/4004/ARM Land to South and East of Adastral Park, which were all recommended as ‘support’, voting was unanimous. (Copy of schedule, including full details and comments in minute book).
- 8. Schedule of Planning Decisions** – The Committee noted the three applications listed, two were in agreement with this committees’ recommendations, one, which this committee recommended as ‘object’ DC/22/0244/FUL, 71 Trinity Close was approved by ESC. The Committee discussed the ESC Case Officers report and reasoning for their approval of the application. Cllr Gibson will consider drafting a letter to the Case Office to raise our concerns. (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** – Cllr Gibson confirmed 14 Wainwright Way went to the LPA Planning Committee on 19 April, unfortunately he didn’t attend as hadn’t received the link to register, J Abbott advised this may have come through when she was on annual leave, she will clarify reason to ESC for non-attendance. At the time of this meeting there were no papers on the ESC Planning Portal to confirm the outcome.
- 10. Rushmere St Andrew Neighbourhood Plan Consultation period: Monday 11th April to 5pm Monday 6th June 2022** – The committee discussed and agreed on the following formal response as proposed by Cllr Gibson; *“Kesgrave Town Council is pleased to give its broad support to the Rushmere St Andrew neighbourhood plan and*

we wish our neighbours well on its passage through the forthcoming consultative and approval procedures. We have just two comments as follows: 1. Whilst very much identifying with the plan's Vision to protect the parish's heritage, environment and natural surroundings, as in our response to an earlier iteration of the plan, we question use of the phrase "encroachment from the Kesgrave conurbation" which appears posed as a threat (noting that further development on the northern part of neighbouring parish Purdis Farm presumably would not be and also noting that the proposed Settlement Gap on the eastern boundary of Policies Map North actually borders with the parish of Playford and not Kesgrave). Kesgrave is not a conurbation and has no interest in, or power to effect, "encroachment" on our neighbours. Nor would this be in accord with our own neighbourhood plan, specifically Policy KE3b) stating "Development will be permitted where it would not increase coalescence with adjoining settlements, or reduce the sense of Kesgrave as a distinct and separate settlement." We jointly have an interest in avoiding further coalescence between our two neighbourhood plan areas and the wording here could reflect that in a more positive way. 2. Section 4 is entitled Vision and Objectives and whilst the box at the bottom of page 13 sets out the plan's vision we could not see any objectives. Thank you for the opportunity to comment".

- 11. Proposed Upgrade to Existing Radio Base Station Installation at CTIL_11234825, Kesgrave Wood IP5 2PE, NGR E: 622830 N: 246072** – it was confirmed the Clerk received no objections from Cllrs to the proposal and therefore no comment was made.
- 12. Other/Urgent Communications** – none.
- 13. Date of Next Meeting** – 9 May 2022 at 6.15pm, Kesgrave Town Council office. Cllr Cook noted his apologies for this meeting.
- 14. Agenda Items for Next Meeting** – none.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 6.51pm

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