

## KESGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

### Planning and Development Committee Meeting Minutes 31 July 2023

#### **Councillors Present:**

**A Athwall**

**N Beecroft-Smith**

**A Cook**

**R Gibson** (*Committee Chairman*)

**J Ogden**

#### **In Attendance:**

**J Abbott – Town Clerk**

1. **Welcome and to Receive and Accept Apologies for Absence** – The Chairman welcomed all those present to the meeting, apologies received from Cllr G Ward - reason personal, following the vote this was agreed.
2. **Declaration of Interests** – Cllr Beecroft-Smith, non-pecuniary agenda item 7, 12 Edmonton Close – applicant known personally and professionally. Cllr Cook, non-pecuniary agenda item 7, 12 Edmonton Close – applicant known personally.
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting held on the 17 July 2023** – These minutes were received, considered, and approved following the vote.
4. **Clerks Report/Update/Matters Arising** – nothing to report.
5. **Members of the Public** – none.
6. **Copy Letters of Objection/In Support/Observations** – J Abbott noted objection emails on planning portal for DC/23/0617/FUL 4 Bracken Avenue, but nothing received directly into the office.
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/23/0617/FUL 4 Bracken Avenue was recommended as 'object' voting was unanimous, overdevelopment. Three were recommended as 'support' voting was unanimous; DC/23/2668/FUL 12 Edmonton Close, DC/23/2729/FUL 16 Helston Close and DC/23/2858/FUL 11 Friends Walk. (Copy of schedule, including full details and comments in minute book).
8. **Schedule of Planning Decisions** – none to report.
9. **Possible Referral to Planning Committee of the LPA (Local Planning Authority) as opposed to Officer Delegated or The Planning Inspectorate** – J Abbott informed the committee of the email received from ESC Planning regarding application DC/22/4905/FUL 12 Fletchers Lane. The applicant has amended the plans to remove the proposed works to the boundary treatments. Therefore, the new scheme seeks permission for the proposed extensions only. The Committee unanimously agreed to support this application for the extension only (this was stated in the original comments submitted to the LPA). The Committee also wished to state for clarification that the original wall will remain and not be replaced by a fence or other.

**10. East Suffolk Council (ESC) Land Acquisition** – The Chair, Cllr Gibson confirmed he and the Clerk are in discussion with ESC regarding adoption of various open space in Kesgrave. The Town Council have already successfully adopted play areas in the Town and will look to review additional land acquisitions in the same way. Once this committee has all the relevant information a proposal will be put forward to full council for consideration.

**11. Other/Urgent Communications** – Cllr Gibson referred to the latest edition of the Chief Planners Newsletter July 2023, which he had summarised for all members of the committee. Following a discussion, it was agreed for Cllr Gibson to respond to the following consultations of behalf of this committee; 'Implementation of Plan-making Reforms' and 'Permitted Development Rights'.

**12. Date of Next Meeting** – 14 August 2023 at 6.15pm, Kesgrave Town Council office.

**13. Agenda Items for Next Meeting** – none.

*There being no other business, the meeting closed at 6.39pm*

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

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