

**DRAFT Planning Committee Meeting Minutes**

Meeting held via Zoom on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs Morris (Chair), Bolitho, Graves, Jones, Loveluck, Ward and the RFO

**In attendance:** No members of the public

**21P/012. Chairman's Introduction and Apologies** – Standing apologies for Cllr Collinson (illness) & Clerk (illness)

**21P/013. Any Questions from the Public or Press** – None present

**21P/014. To accept Declarations of Interest and Dispensations** – none given.

**21P/015. Minutes** – Resolution that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2021 be signed as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Ward and seconded by Cllr Graves. **RESOLVED.**

**21P/016. Planning Applications:**

- 20/05121/FUL – Erection of a chalet style 2–3-bedroom dwelling and associated parking, Land at 9 Church Close, Cottenham. Submitted drawings are not detailed. The application falls within the Development Framework but is within the setting of a grade one listed building. The design of the building must be compatible with the listed building. The committee felt that more information was required. CPC recommended refusal. Proposed Cllr Ward and seconded by Cllr Jones. **REFUSED.** Specific issues were lack of information regarding the plan of the new building in particular the materials to be used and their compatibility with the listed building. There were also concerns about Highway access and Property access.

**Tree Orders**

- **21/0015/TTCA** – T1 - Norway Maple – Reduce height by 1.5m and the spread in all directions by 1.5m; T2 – Holly – Reduce the height by 2m; T3 – Silver Birch – Reduce the height by 2m and the spread in all directions by 1.5m; Conifer – Fell to ground level – 160 High Street, Cottenham. Noted only comments made are that the existing trunk circumference and starting heights and widths of the trees are unknown.
- **20/2423/TTCA – 1.** Lime – crown reduce 1-1.5m, crown thin 20% to contain size and liberate adjacent thorn; 2. Box Elder – remove low lateral over neighbours' fence (to rear of garage) – 328 High Street – Noted no significant views.

**For information only**

**20/05133/CLUED** – Certification of Lawfulness under Section 191 for the continued use as a shop, Willow Grange, Willow Grange Farm Shop, Ely Road, Chittering. - Noted

**21P/017. Cycle Stands** - consider Redrow-proposed locations for cycle stands -

The new cycle stands need to be in places where users would need them (e.g., near shops and other destinations) and where they do not adversely affect their surroundings. On this basis: the 4 stands to be sited at the junction of Telegraph St and High St are acceptable. The 8 + 5 cycle stands proposed near the junction of Lambs Lane and High St are not acceptable, as they are some distance from shops/destinations so would not be used and also create obstacles/clutter on pavements in a conservation area. A much reduced number (2) would be acceptable. The 5 + 7 stands located near the junction of Denmark Rd and High St and the listed War Memorial are not acceptable although a much-reduced number (2) would be acceptable. Furthermore, since the stands are to be sited on pavements, we feel it is important that they have a taper plate so that they do not create obstacles for the visually impaired.

**21P/018. S211 tree works notices** – consider revised SCDC notifications regarding tree works applications -historically, CPC has expressed dissatisfaction with the process and have sought clarification. SCDC has proposed a system where minor tree works are dealt with immediately by SCDC officers and CPC will not be asked for comment. More major tree works will be summarised by

SCDC officer and passed on CPC who will pass the report directly to one of our own tree officers for comment via the clerk. The hope is that this will tighten up the system. The committee will cooperate with this approach and review in a few months for its efficacy.

- 21P/019. Land off Broad Lane** – Consider notes from meeting with Claremont – Speculative Development WP – Flooding – Cllr Morris and Cllr Jones met with representatives from Claremont Planning who are promoting a site off Broad Lane for up to 50 houses (as part of the Greater Cambridge Local Plan). They spoke of a willingness to support both affordable homes and locally affordable homes and offered to look at the potential for link ups via cycle paths/pedestrian paths to Les King wood and other developments. Of major concern are the drainage issues, Claremont are of the opinion that there is a possibility that the Environmental Agency may reclassify the land so that the area is not in a flood plain. Claremont expressed a willingness to resolve potential flood issues.
- 21P/020. Enforcement** – consider updates from Enforcement Officers and additional items for enforcement – Noted. The committee felt that there is a need to review and reclassify the current case list.
- 21P/021. Date of next meeting** – 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021
- 21P/022. Close of meeting** – 9.03PM