

MISTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting – Thursday 1st October 2020 – 7.30pm via the Zoom platform



Present:

Councillor J Cambridge (*Chairman of the Committee*)
Councillor G Carter
Councillor S Coiley
Councillor C Howell
Councillor P Nutter (*Vice Chairman of the Committee*)
Councillor I Peacock

In Attendance:

Mrs S Clements – Parish Clerk
No Members of the Public were present

1. **Welcome and Apologies for Absence** – Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Frost (family) and Councillor Kent (family). Councillors Burton, Chaplin and Smith were not present and did not send an apology.
2. **Public Voice** – No Members of the Public were present.
3. **Declarations of Interest** – Minute Number 8 a) – 20/01154/FUL – 6 Barley Close – Councillor Coiley declared a pecuniary interest as this is his personal planning application. Councillor Cambridge also declared a pecuniary interest in this item as he is Councillor Coiley's agent.
4. **Minutes of the Previous Planning Committee Meeting** – The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on the 3rd September 2020 were received, considered and agreed following the vote. (Proposed by Councillor Coiley and seconded by Councillor Nutter). (Signed copy in Minute Book).
5. **Matters Arising/Updates from Previous Minutes** – There were no updates.
6. **The Committee noted Planning Decisions as follows:**
 - a) 20/01080/TCA – 31 Oxford Road – 1 Eucalyptus – Removal – The Committee noted that the LPA has approved this tree conservation area application.
 - b) 20/00777/LBC – 8 High Street – Proposed addition of fencing to existing boundary wall bringing height to 180cm – The Committee noted that the LPA has approved this application.
 - c) 20/01026/FUL – Mistley Manor, 2 Long Road – Proposed extension to workshop store to provide Pandemic equipment – The Committee noted that the LPA has approved this application.
7. **Planning Applications/Proposals received from the LPA (Local Planning Authority):**
 - a) 20/01080/TCA – 31 Oxford Road – 1 Eucalyptus – Removal – The Committee noted that the LPA has approved this tree conservation area application.

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8. Planning Applications received from the LPA after Agenda distributed

The Vice Chairman of the Committee – Councillor Nutter took the Chair for the next item, given that the Chairman of the Committee – Councillor Cambridge’s pecuniary interest. Councillors Cambridge and Coiley both abstained from the vote.

- a) 20/01154/FUL – 6 Barley Close – Single storey rear extension -Following the vote, approval was recommended, (proposed by Councillor Carter and seconded by Councillor Howell).

Councillor Cambridge returned to chair the Meeting.

- b) 20/01225/OUT – Land Adjacent to Church Farm House, Heath Road – Proposed erection of one detached dwelling – Following the vote, (proposed by Councillor Cambridge and seconded by Councillor Nutter), the Committee recommended refusal on the grounds of over-development of the plot and highway constraints with blind and dangerous bends.
- c) 20/01309/TCA – Port View, 21 New Road – 1 Beech – Re pollard to previous points – Following the vote, the Committee recommended approval. (Proposed by Councillor Nutter and seconded by Councillor Carter).
- d) 20/01310/TCA – Red House, 31 New Road – 1 Smoke Bush Tree – Reduce crown by 1-1.5m. 1 Pear – remove deadwood and reduce top by up to 2m. Section of Cherry Branches above Pear – Reduce by 1.5. 1 Damson Tree – Prune top and selective side branches. 1 Magnolia – Prune selected side branches and lift crown - – Following the vote, the Committee recommended that the LPA’s Tree and Landscape Officer makes a decision under the LPA’s scheme of delegation. (Proposed by Councillor Cambridge and seconded by Councillor Coiley).
- e) 20/01234/OUT – Land East of New Road – Variation of Condition 13 of Approved Application 19/01956/OUT – To change the visibility splay dimensions to 2.25m x 43m – The Committee raised its grave concerns about the reduction of the visibility splay. The Committee noted that the current condition states; “Prior to occupation of the development, the road junction at its centre line shall be provided with a clear to ground visibility splay with dimensions of 2.4m by 43m in both directions, as measured from and along the nearside edge of the carriageway. The vehicular visibility splays shall be provided before the road junction is first used by vehicular traffic and retained free of any obstruction at all times”. So, this application is looking to reduce the visibility splay set back by 15cm. Following the vote, the Committee felt that this application should be refused on the grounds of the variation being too dangerous to reduce, a longer visibility splay is essential, parking is currently permitted and vehicles park at this entrance currently, other planning applications are imminent and so there will be even heavier traffic in this area, the A120 will be closing shortly and traffic will likely divert in this area. The Committee would wish to cite its very strong objection on the grounds of public safety for road users and pedestrians, as well as the additional traffic causing increased congestion not only on New Road, but also at the junction with Long Rd, Trinity Rd and Clacton Rd. The Committee has been in touch with Essex County Council Highways for new Developments about this. (Proposed by Councillor Howell and seconded by Councillor Carter).

- 9. **Public Inquiries, Appeals or Enforcement Matters** – The Committee noted that there were no new updates.

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10. **Woodland Trust Trees** - The Committee considered and discussed the sites for the 105 native species, medium sized trees which will be delivered in November 2020. Following the vote, it was agreed to view various potential sites outside of Meetings and report back to the full Council.
11. **North Essex Section 1 Plan - Invitation to comment on 2018-based household projections** – The Committee received and considered these details. This consultation ends on the 12th October 2020.
12. **Planning for the Future – Consultation – White Paper – MHCLG (Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government –** The Council received and considered these details. (Deadline 29th October 2020). The draft response prepared by the Clerk and the Chairman of the Committee was received, discussed, and considered. Following the vote, it was agreed to allow the Clerk and the Chairman of the Committee delegated powers to finally review the response and submit it on behalf of the Planning Committee/Parish Council.
13. **Date of Next Planning Committee Meeting** – Thursday 5th November 2020 – 7.30pm – Via the Zoom platform – This Meeting was noted.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.34pm.

Signed

Chairman

Date