

## BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at Old School House, Market Hill, Brandon  
at 12.00pm

**Present:** Cllr G Brocklehurst (Chair), Cllr H Kostecki, Cllr V Lukaniuk, Cllr T Nolan,  
Cllr P Wittam

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**3. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES** of Planning Committee Meeting  
of 2nd October 2023.

**Proposer:** Cllr P Wittam

**Seconder:** Cllr H Kostecki

Resolution Record No: **BTCP/97/06/Nov/23**

**CARRIED:** Unanimous

THE PLANNING COMMITTEE RESOLVES THAT THE MINUTES OF THE  
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2023 BE  
APPROVED.

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Two members of the public attended the meeting. A member of the public made some comments about the application for the Bridge Hotel Brandon. The Bridge Hotel are subject to an Enforcement Notice for works to the riverbank and trees. The member of the public stated there was only one tree left and this was probably due to the Enforcement Notice. They wanted it recorded that they object to the felling of the tree because it is full of wildlife.

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**5. PLANNING MATTERS**

**5.1 LIST OF APPLICATIONS FROM: 2/10/23 TO: 6/11/23**

**DC/23/1644/TCA**

Planning Application – Bridge Hotel, 79 High Street, Brandon  
Fell one Elder.

Cllr Nolan commented that a kingfisher lives next to the Elder tree. Cllr Wittam added that the kingfisher uses the tree and that if the tree goes that the kingfisher will likely go too. He further stated that in his opinion the area has been devastated and we should ask for a Tree Preservation Order for the tree. Cllr Wittam commented that any screening that was there for the residents opposite the hotel has been removed and they will now be blinded by the light show that has been installed. Cllr Brocklehurst agreed that we should recommend a Tree Preservation Order be put on the Elder tree.

Cllr Lukaniuk commented that we should take people's concerns on board and stated that he was against the application and that the tree should remain. A vote ensued.

**Proposer:** Cllr H Kostecki

**Seconder:** Cllr T Nolan

Resolution Record No: **BTCP/98/06/Nov/23**

**FAILED:** Unanimous – **OBJECT**

**DC/23/1610/TCA**

Planning Application – 49 London Road, Brandon  
Fell one Leylandii.

Cllr Lukaniuk thinks the Leylandii should be felled and stated that some Councils are now banning the planting of Leylandii and he supports the application. Cllr Kostecki commented that some of the tree crosses the powerlines. Cllr Wittam agreed that the tree is reaching the powerlines and supported the application. A vote took place.

**Proposer:** Cllr V Lukaniuk

**Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: **BTCP/99/06/Nov/23**

**CARRIED:** Unanimous – **SUPPORT**

**DC/23/1662/HH**

Planning Application – 58 Elizabeth Road, Brandon  
Replacement roof to existing extension. Replacement windows and doors to existing extension. Infill of window to rear elevation. Paving of front garden to enable off-road parking.

Cllr Wittam commented that he thinks we will see more of these applications as it gives much needed off-road parking for property owners. A vote then took place.

**Proposer:** Cllr P Wittam

**Seconder:** Cllr V Lukaniuk

Resolution Record No: **BTCP/100/06/Nov/23**

**CARRIED:** Unanimous – **SUPPORT**

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**DC/23/1678/TPO**

Planning Application – 7 Walton Way, Brandon

One Oak reduce in height by up to three metres, reduce lateral spread by up to two metres and crown lift to 3.5 metres above ground level.

Cllr Brocklehurst commented that approving this application is allowing the householder to manage the tree correctly. Cllr Wittam commented that he was in favour of the application and that everything is being done correctly. A vote ensued.

**Proposer:** Cllr P Wittam

**Seconder:** Cllr T Nolan

Resolution Record No: **BTCP/101/06/Nov/23**

**CARRIED:** Unanimous – **SUPPORT**

**DC/23/1689/HH**

Planning Application – Orchard Mead, Victoria Avenue, Brandon

Two bay garage.

Cllr Brocklehurst stated that there was no reason to object. Cllr Lukaniuk commented that it was a large plot which would take the bays and he supported the application.

Cllr Wittam commented that West Suffolk may pick up on the fact that it is to the front of the property but it seems to be well sited and in the best position and he supported the application. A vote then ensued.

**Proposer:** Cllr P Wittam

**Seconder:** Cllr T Nolan

Resolution Record No: **BTCP/102/06/Nov/23**

**CARRIED:** Unanimous – **SUPPORT**

**DC/23/1716/HH**

Planning Application – 14 Lingheath Road, Brandon

Ramped access.

Cllr Wittam stated that he did not believe these applications should be subject to planning, rather permitted development and he was wholeheartedly in favour of the application. Cllr Lukaniuk stated that he supported the application. A vote took place.

**Proposer:** Cllr H Kostecki

**Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: **BTCP/103/06/Nov/23**

**CARRIED:** Unanimous – **SUPPORT**

**5.2 ANY APPLICATION RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA WAS PRODUCED**

None.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR**

None.

The meeting closed at 12.15pm

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