

## **Needham Market Town Council - Planning Committee**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – 7pm in the Green Room**

**Attendees:** - Cllr O'Shea (in the chair); Cllrs Annis, Cave, Darnell, Lea, Ost, Lawrence, Stansfield.

1. Apologies for absence: - Cllrs A Reardon, J Reardon, S Phillips
2. To receive and approve the minutes of the last meeting.  
Received and proposed by Cllr Lea, seconded, Cllr Annis, and unanimous vote.
3. Any declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests by Councillors.  
None.
4. To approve any dispensations in declared under Item 3.  
None.
5. To consider Applications for Planning Permission
  - a) New Applications available at time of the agenda.

### **DC/24/00636 – Householder Application – Erection of first floor extension – 10 Morris Way, Needham Market, Ipswich, IP6 8TD**

The application has a response deadline of 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

The Committee made two observations of concern; The new side window at first floor level may not provide sufficient daylight for the bedroom it serves. The side of the neighbouring house approximately 5-6 metres away may cause issues should the neighbouring house decided to apply for a similar extension, due to loss of privacy. The extension side wall is proposed to be on the boundary line, but the new eaves will overhang and therefore trespass over the neighbouring property boundary.

The committee **Recommended No Objection** but subject to the 2 observations being reviewed by the LPA.

### **DC/24/00725 – Notification of Works to Trees in Conservation Area- Fell 1 No. Holly (T1), Fell 1 No. Bay (T2). Fell 2 No. Shrub (T3 & T4) and Fell 1 No. Hazel (T5) – Land to the rear of 107 High Street, Needham Market, IP6 8DQ**

The application has a response deadline of 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

There do not appear to be Tree Preservation Orders in place. Some of the shrubs in the application have already been removed and it appears that this garden is being cleared of all substantial vegetation. The remaining hazel tree should be safeguarded as contributing to

the local environment and Conservation Area. There is also a cherry tree towards the north side of the garden which is not referred to in the application but this should also be safeguarded.

The Committee **Recommended Refusal**, and requested the Arboreal Officer advice to be sought.

**DC/24/00694 – Application under S73a for Removal or Variation of a Condition following grant of Planning Permission DC/21/02927 dated 13.01.2022. Town and County Planning Act 1990 Erection of 64 No dwellings (including 22 No. affordable homes) with vehicular access from Stowmarket Road and additional 2 No. dwellings accessed from Hill House Lane – to vary Condition 2 (Approval Plans and Documents) – Alterations to plot 65 and 66 – Land North West of Hill House Lane, Needham Market, Suffolk.**

The application has a response deadline to 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

The Committee **Recommended Approval**

6. To receive any specific items from the Town Clerk or Presenting Officer

**Street Names for Former Council Offices site** – The Committee came up with the following 6 suggestions in no preference order and would ask the Developers to add the suffixes e.g. Road, Close, Way etc as applicable to which each one was assigned.

Broadcroft; Burling; Carding; Herwick; Spinners and Weavers.

7. To receive a report from the Needham Market Neighbourhood Plan Review Group

Nothing additional to report.

### **Additional Discussions**

#### **DC/22/05164 The New Dental Surgery, 129 High Street**

Originally the plans stated that the front wall was to be taken back to the original brickwork to 'reveal historic brickwork' but there is no evidence of this happening and the brickwork has now been re-painted. Also, the sign should state Needham Market and not just Needham which is in Norfolk. It was stated the Enforcement Officer was aware of the installation of the front sign on the premises without the necessary approval being sought and is currently investigating ( **ref. BMCU 58/87075**), an update from the LPA would be appreciated.

There is concern that works may be carried out to this Listed Building in a prominent location without the necessary consents being granted which may be detrimental to the Listed Building status, the Conservation Area and NM Neighbourhood Plan.

The Meeting closed 7:37 pm