

KESGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

Planning and Development Committee Meeting Minutes **05 October 2020**

Councillors Present:

N Beecroft-Smith
R Gibson (P&D Chairman)
D Shaw
G Ward

In Attendance:

- **Mrs J Abbott – Town Clerk**
- **Cllr Alastair Cook**

1. **Welcome and to Receive and Accept Apologies for Absence** – The Chairman welcomed those present and confirmed apologies have been received from Cllr K Archer, reason 'work', apologies accepted.
2. **Declaration of Interests** – None.
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting held on the 21 September 2020** – These Minutes were received, considered, and approved following the vote. (Signed copy in the minute book).
4. **Clerks Report/Update/Matters Arising** – J Abbott advised she has sent out the latest ESC Planning & Building Control Newsletter to all P&D members via email. J Abbott informed the committee of the recent press release received from ESC; *'East Suffolk Council are pleased that the High Court has dismissed a claim against the authority regarding a planning application in relation to facilities at the Sizewell nuclear power plant.'* J Abbott confirmed the ESC Local Plan was formally adopted on 23 September 2020.
5. **Members of the Public** – None present.
6. **Copy Letters of Objection/In Support/Observations** – None.
7. **Schedule of Applications/Proposals** – The Committee considered and made its formal comments/recommendations to the Local Planning Authority (LPA). There were three applications for consideration, two were recommended as 'supported': DC/20/3576/FUL 22 St Austell Close and DC/20/3707/FUL 66 Dobbs Lane. DC/20/3601/FUL 33 Orchard Grove was recommended as 'support' but with following observations; review an alternative to the South facing Juliet Balcony, it's believed this will result in the neighbouring rear gardens being overlooked.
8. **Schedule of Planning Decisions** – J Abbott advised there was one listed, 45 Dobbs Lane DC/20/2352/FUL, which was permitted, this committee recommended refusal. Due to a resident complaint regarding this decision, J Abbott has also asked for clarification on why the referral process was not corresponded to KTC.
9. **Possible Referral to Planning Committee of the LPA (Local Planning Authority) as opposed to Officer Delegated or The Planning Inspectorate** – None.

(Cllr Shaw joined the meeting at 6.30pm)

10. Planning for the future – the Government Planning White Paper – Cllr R Gibson advised the draft KTC response to the white paper, which was sent to all P&D members, has been amended to include the comments made by Cllr Archer, on empty commercial properties (due to Covid-19) being considered for conversion to domestic use etc. Following the vote, it was agreed for the amended draft KTC response to be recommend to full Council for submission. Cllr R Gibson was thanked by all those present for his work.

11. Other/Urgent Communications – None.

12. Date of Next Meeting – The next Planning and Development Committee meeting will be held on online via Microsoft Teams on Monday 19 October 2020 at 6.00pm.

13. Agenda Items for Next Meeting – None.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 6.41pm

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