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## MINUTES

Meeting of: **Planning Applications & Transport Sub-Committee**

Date: **Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Present: Councillors:	J.C.	Goodman	(Chairman)
	Mrs A.	Kilmartin	(Vice Chairman)
	Mrs S.	Ager	
	P.R.	Barlow	
	S.E.	Hicks	(arrived 7.12 p.m.)
	Miss C.	Jay	
	M.C.M.	Lager	
	C.S.	Livermore	
	P.M.	Ryland	
	J.	Sheehy	(Town Clerk)
	Mrs G.	Kennedy	(Planning Officer)
	Mrs N.	Smith	Assistant RFO)

### 212. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs S.C. Lager who had a previous engagement.

**RESOLVED** That the apologies be received and accepted.

### 213. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020 were received.

**RESOLVED** That the Minutes of the Planning Applications and Transport Committee Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### 214. INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

### 215. QUESTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no members of the press or public present.

216. **CLERK'S REPORT**

There was nothing to report.

217. **PART 1 APPLICATIONS**

**20/00169/HH**

**24 ROWAN WAY, WITHAM**

Provision of pitched roof to existing porch and canopy roof over garage together with alterations to fenestration.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00172/FUL**

**FORMER FIRE STATION, MILL LANE WITHAM**

Change of Use from an Estate Agent (A2) to Dog/Cat Grooming Salon with ancillary retail space (Sui-Generis).

Members considered that the address for the former Fire Station should be Guithavon Street and that this should be pointed out to the District Council.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00237/HH**

**19 BENTON CLOSE, WITHAM**

Demolition of porch and erection of single storey side extension.

**NO OBJECTION**

218. **PART 2 APPLICATIONS**

**20/00146/FUL**

**LAND REAR OF 59 BRIDGE STREET, WITHAM**

Redevelopment of site to provide 2 x 2 bedroomed semi-detached single storey dwellings.

Members considered that this site would be more appropriate for one dwelling.

**RECOMMEND REFUSAL** on the grounds of over massing of site, poor access and insufficient parking provision contrary to ADM2/RLP2 and Essex Parking Standards.

Whilst the above application was being discussed, Councillor S.E. Hicks arrived at the Meeting.

**20/00120/HH**

**22 BLUEBELL CLOSE, WITHAM**

Two-storey side extension to existing semi-detached garage to create residential annex.

Members noted that there would appear to be poor natural light to the ground floor.

**NO OBJECTION** subject to better natural light to the ground floor and the structure remaining an annex to the existing house.

**20/00034/TPO**

**LAND AT HARDY WALK, WITHAM**

Notice of intent to carry out works to tree protected by Tree Preservation Order 21/01 – T1 – Oak – Reduce limbs that are obstructing the lamp post by 1.5 metres.

The Tree Warden had made a site visit and recommended no objection.

**NO OBJECTION** subject to the District Council's Landscape Officer's advice.

**20/00185/FUL**

**THE VICTORIA PH, POWERS HALL END, WITHAM**

Erection of 2 x 4 bed two-storey detached dwellings with associated access and parking.

Members noted the comments in relation to the Appeal but still wished to object.

**RECOMMEND REFUSAL** on the grounds that the land adjacent to the Victoria PH would be required for the parking provision for the converted house as the land shown for parking is in fact highway owned and maintained; and on the grounds of over-massing of the site, contrary to RLP3, 9, 10 and 90.

**RESOLVED** That contact be made with Essex County Council about highways land being used for private parking.

**219. REVISED PLANS**

**19/00934/ADV**

**LIDL STORE, BRIDGE STREET, WITHAM**

Members were advised that the District Council had asked for further comments on the revised application for three, non-illuminated, direction signs at the entrance and in the car park; and two illuminated signs on the store. A separate new application would be made for the totem sign and billboards.

**NO OBJECTION** subject to the illuminated signs only being on when the store is open.

**19/00352/FUL**  
**19/02022/LBC**

**ROSLYN HOUSE, 16 NEWLAND STREET, WITHAM**

Members were informed that advice had now been received from both Historic England and the Historic Buildings Officer who were not supportive of this application as it would be detrimental to how the staircase and windows would be viewed.

Members considered that as this Grade 11\* Listed building had been empty for a number of years it was important to get it back into use and as the proposed work would not materially affect the structure of the building no objection should be raised.

**NO OBJECTION**

**220. DECISIONS**

Planning decisions relating to Witham were received.

In view of the time it was agreed that the decision relating to application 19/01334/FUL – 3F Moss Road, Witham would be considered at the next Meeting.

**RESOLVED** That the information be received and noted.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 7.32 p.m.

Councillor \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman

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