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MINUTES

PLANNING AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Date: **Monday, 15th April 2024**

Place: **Council Chamber, Town Hall, 61 Newland Street, Witham, CM8 2FE**

Present: Councillors

P.	Barlow	(Chairman)
J.C.	Coleman	(Vice Chairman)
E.	Adelaja	
J.M.	Coleman	
L.	Headley	(arrived 7.10pm)
T.	Hewitt	
J.	Martin	
R.	Ramage	
A.	Sloma	
G.	Kennedy	(Planning Officer)
S.	Puckey	(Open Spaces Admin Assistant)

256. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor E Williams.

RESOLVED That the apologies be received and approved.

257. MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee held 2nd April 2024 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

258. INTERESTS

No interests were declared.

259. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No members of the public were present.

260. PLANNING OFFICER'S REPORT

The Planning Officer explained that the applications in relation to the creation of 3G Artificial Grass Pitch for Spinks Lane (23/0306/FUL) and New Rickstones Academy (24/00352/FUL) along with the application for the erection of a 2.5m high acoustic fence at the Spinks Lane Sports Ground (24/00578/FUL) would all be considered by the District Council's Planning Committee on 16th April at 7.15 p.m.

She said that at the next Meeting of the Planning Committee on 29th April 2024, the Committee would be considering the National Grid consultation on the proposed new electricity connection between Norwich and Tilbury.

She said that she had today received details of the steps needed to install Speed Indicator Devices and this would be considered at the next Meeting.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

261. PART 1 APPLICATIONS

There were no Part 1 Applications to consider.

262. PART 2 APPLICATIONS

24/000595/TPO

25 Windsor Close, Witham

Notice of intent to carry out works to tree protected by Tree Preservation Order 19a/02 – Removal of branches on lower trunk and thinning of the top of the tree

The Planning Officer explained that the applicant had given no details of what branches would be removed nor how much thinning would be undertaken and without these details it would be unwise to recommend anything other than to refuse. The Tree Warden had agreed with this recommendation.

RECOMMEND REFUSAL on the grounds of insufficient information and subject to the advice of the District Council's Landscape Officer.

24/00645/ADV

The Grove Garage, Newland Street, Witham

Erection of 2no. illuminated fascia signs, 2no. illuminated double-sided pylon signs and 1n. freestanding pole mounted sign.

NO OBJECTION subject to the illuminated sign being off when the business is closed.

Cllr L Headley entered the Chamber at 7.10pm

263. REVISED PLANS

There were no revised plans.

264. DECISIONS

The decisions on Planning Applications pertaining to Witham were received.

RESOLVED That the decisions be received and noted.

265. NORTH ESSEX PARKING PARTNERSHIP

The Minutes from the North Essex Parking Partnership Meeting held 21st March 2024 were received.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 7.18 p.m.

Councillor P. Barlow
Chairman

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