

DISS TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the **Planning Sub-Committee** held in the **Council Chamber** at **Diss Corn Hall** on **Wednesday 9th October 2024** at **6.50pm**.

Present: Councillors: A. Kitchen, E. Taylor (Chair), J. Welch
In attendance: Councillor S. Kiddie
Sarah Villafuerte-Richards (Town Clerk/CEO)
Alex Rolfe (Office Administrator)
3 members of the public

PL1024/01 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Goulder, Olander and Peaty.

PL1024/02 **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR**

Members considered the election of the Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee for the remainder of the 2024/25 Mayoral Year. Cllr Goulder was asked if she would consider this role and agreed to be put forward for consideration in advance of the meeting. It was

RESOLVED: to elect Councillor Goulder as the Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee for the remainder of the 2024/25 Mayoral year.

PL1024/03 **NOMINATION OF SUBSTITUTE REPRESENTATIVES**

Councillor Kiddie substituted for Councillor Goulder.

PL1024/04 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

There were none.

PL1024/05 **MINUTES**

Members received the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting on 25th September 2024. It was

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 25th September 2024 as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

(Action: Town Clerk/CEO: immediately)

PL1024/06 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were three members of public present, observing only.

PL1024/07 **ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business.

PL1024/08 **NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT CONTROL MATTERS**

Members received and commented on planning applications and other development control matters.

2024/1698 - Retrospective consent for café not for car washing. More space inside is needed therefore the request to enlarge the café. There appears to be quite a few retrospective applications and this should not be happening. South Norfolk Council have been putting their foot down with enforcement notices.

2024/2736 – application to double the retail area, eliminating the drive-in car wash and re-siting the jet wash with parking spaces adjacent. Five jet wash stations with three being undercover. Eight, 300kW fast charge, electric vehicle covered charging stations with substation. This removes 34 parking spaces from the Morrisons car park.

There were discussions regarding whether the development could address the collapsed Mere drain chamber under the garage forecourt and the challenge in accessing the jet wash versus the traditional car wash for disabled people. Councillor Welch requested that his abstention was recorded.

Application No.	Type	Address	Proposal	Response
2024/1698	Full Planning Permission	46B Victoria Road Diss Norfolk	Change of use of existing storage to enlarge cafe operating in conjunction with existing hand car wash	RECOMMEND APPROVAL Delegate to officer with a recommendation for approval and ask officer to ensure there is unimpeded access/egress from Victoria Road to the carwash and exit by restricting the number of vehicles on display for sale. Members were disappointed that this is another retrospective application.
2024/2736	Full Planning Permission	Petrol Filling Station, Morrisons, Victoria Road, Diss	Extension to the existing petrol filling station and creation of EV charging zone with canopy, substation enclosure, LV panel, meter cabinet and five jet wash bays, plant room, bin store and associated works	RECOMMEND APPROVAL That we delegate to officer with a recommendation that the application be approved.

PL1024/09

SOUTH NORFOLK PLANNING DECISIONS

Members noted the planning decisions made by the Planning Authority since the last meeting. It was noted that the scrapyards on Mission Road application has been withdrawn.

PL1024/10

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members noted that Planning Committee meetings will precede scheduled committee dates should applications require committee consideration.

Meeting closed at: 19:12.

Councillor Taylor
Committee Chairman