

4 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Councillors L and J P McCarthy declared personal interests in planning applications 3PL/2009/0414/F and 3PL/2009/0437/F due to knowledge of the applicants being an ex employee and neighbour respectively.

5 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

It was agreed by Members that the Minutes be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record

6 **CORRESPONDENCE**

6a Planning application 3PL/2009/0273/CU, Edward Jones Limited, change of use from Class A1 (retail) to Class A2 (financial and professional services) 72 High Street Watton had been withdrawn.

6b Letter from Mott McDonald advising that work will commence in August 2009 for the resurfacing of the carriageway from Bowes & Sons to Brandon Road roundabout. A temporary road closure would be put in place with a diversion route.

6c Letter of complaint relating to an iron railing beside a brick built gas regulator unit located at the junction of West Road and William Close. It is felt that this could attract vandalism and asked that it be removed. Also there are width restriction bars across the pathway, which have been damaged.

It was agreed that a letter be written to the gas board and to Breckland Council to ask what action is to be taken and why no response had been received to a previous report from the Council.

6d The Appeal for planning application 3PL/2008/0810/F, Mr & Mrs T Smith, 14 Ringmere Road, Watton for the development of a proposed garage has been dismissed.

7 **PLANNING RESULTS**

Plan No	Application	Detail	WTC	BC
3PL/2009/0298/A	Nationwide Bu Soc Pipers Way Swindon SN1	1 non-illuminated fascia sign, 1 wall mounted non illuminated panel 4 Middle St, Watton	No Objection	Approval
3PL/2009/0340/F	L Croome 59 Dereham Rd Watton	Modernised Front elevation (revision to 3PL/2009//2008/0450/F	No Objection	Approved
3PL/2009/0328/F	1 st Call Vets Oak Tree Barn Thieves Lane Rocklands Attleborough	Change of use of existing building to veterinary surgery including ext. to front side and rear Knotts Yard, Watton	No Objection	Approval

3PL/2009/1621/O	T Wells	Demolition of outbuildings improvement of existing access erect 5 dwellings & retention of existing house 51 Thetford Rd.	No Objection	Approval
3PL/2009/0173/F	CH & E Bambridge Wayland Croft Watton Green Watton	Erection of agricultural storage building Wayland Croft Watton Green, Watton	No Objection	Approval
3PL/2009/1204/F	Tesco Stores Ltd	Erection of an extension to the store and change of use of vacant land to car park and access road Tesco Stores Limited Memorial Way, Watton	No Objection	Approval
3PL/2009/1693/F	Mrs Liz Glenn	Erection of detached house following demolition of HGV shed Highfield House, Watton Green, Carbrooke & Watton	No Objection	Approval
3PL/2009/0224/D	D A Cram Wayland Cottage Wood Lane Griston Road Watton	Erection of single dwelling on garden plot Wayland Cottage, Wood Lane, Griston Road, Watton	Objection	Approval

8 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Plan No	Application	Details	W.T.C.
3PL/2009/0305/F	S&A Jones Develop	Demolition of existing bungalow & redevelopment of site with residential development & ancillary works 119 Norwich Road, Watton	

Members listened to the various concerns from Members of the public and discussed the issues at length. Councillor Gilbert agreed that he would attend the planning meeting and speak on behalf of the residents in his capacity as a District Councillor.

It was proposed by Councillor Wykes and seconded by Councillor Ivory and

RESOLVED

Voting 7 for with 1 against

That refusal be recommend for over development of the site which would cause stress on the infrastructure, that roads needed to adopted roads and not private drives, that access onto the Norwich

Road would have a substantial increase in traffic onto what was an already a very busy road, that Tree Preservation Orders should be looked into and that it be noted that the committee disapprove of government guidelines on density, which allowed people to knock down properties and build large developments.

It was agreed that it be recommended that a 6ft high fence be erected screening the existing property where 8 properties Numbers 21 – 28 were to be built, that mature trees with a sound barrier be planted as a screen to the existing property on the east side of the estate entrance, that the Oak trees where the proposed garages for 12 and 13 be retained and that the play area be supplied with equipment.

It was agreed that development and over development be put on the next Agenda for discussion.

3PL/2009/0466/F	Mr S Baldwin 20 South Road Watton	Erection of bungalow on garden plot 20 South Road Watton
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Members felt that the estate was a very well designed post war estate and should not be spoilt with over development. They also felt that it would cause further parking problems.

It was proposed by Councillor Ivory and seconded by Councillor Gilbert and

RESOLVED

That the application was an unacceptable over development of the site and not in keeping with the area.

3PL/2009/0414/F	Ms J McCarthur 262 Lovel Gardens Watton, IP25 6RU	En-suite extension to first floor bedroom 262 Lovel Gardens
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Members had no objection

3PL/2009/0433/F	Paul Hyam 11 Jubilee Road Watton IP25 6BH	Demolish existing conservatory & replace with a single storey sun room/home office 11 Jubilee Road, Watton
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Members had no objection

3PL/2009/0485	Ms E Simpson 50 Brandon Rd Watton	Demolition of lean-to and outbuilding and erection of rear extension 50 Brandon Road, Watton
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Members had no objection

3PL/2009/0490/F	C Barnes & L Nelhams 50 Swaffham Rd Watton IP25 6LA	Proposed first floor extension and replacement canopy 50 Swaffham Road, Watton
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Members had no objection

3PL/2009/0508/F	Mr & Mrs M Lyons 24 Watton Green Watton	Utility room extension to existing cottage plus minor amendments to 3PL/2009//207/0726/F Watton
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Members had no objection

3PL/2009/0437/F	S Ekanayke Town Green Farm Town Green Road Watton	Change of Use & conversion of 2 existing barns/ pool building with extension to form 2 x 5 bed for adults with learning difficulties
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Members were concerned that there were no educational facilities or infrastructure in the development to accommodate the adults learning difficulties.

It was agreed that refusal be recommended as previously, that it was in the wrong location, not enough infrastructure, poor highways access and an inappropriate use of the building.

It was agreed that a statement asking all Members to view plans prior to the meeting be included as part of the Agenda.

The Meeting ended at 8.30 pm
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