

Minutes of a Planning and Forward Development Committee Meeting of Watton Town Council held on Tuesday 24th March 2009 at 7.00 pm at the Council Chambers, Wayland Hall, Watton.

Members Present: R Crabtree L McCarthy
K Gilbert – Vice Chairman A Osborn
M Holmes R Rudling
R Ivory - Chairman B Wykes
J P McCarthy

Officers Present J Seal - Town Clerk

Others Present Councillor Wassell

Members of the Public Present Three

82 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Item 86 - Councillors J P and L McCarthy declared Prejudicial Interests in Planning Applications 3PL/2009/1224/D and 3PL/2009/0122/F as owners of Weeco Engineering.

Item 86 - Councillor Osborn declared a Personal Interest in Planning Applications 3PL/2009/0122/F 3PL/2009/1224/D as a resident of Griston Road.

83 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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

84 CORRESPONDENCE

84a Hearing

Planning Application 3PL/2009//2008/1621/O Demolition of outbuildings, improvement of existing access erect 5 dwellings & garages & retention of existing house, 51 Thetford Road, Watton will be heard by the Development Control Committee on 30 March 2009 at 9.30.

84b Appeals

Planning Application 3PL/2009/0006/F Erection of 2 storey dwelling and detached garage, Mr & Mrs P Watts, 2 St Mary's Close, Watton has gone to appeal, which will commence on 19 March 2009.

3PL/2009//2008/0607/F Demolish existing industrial units & erection of 24 no residential dwellings & garages for plots 1, 2, & 4 at Plaswood Site, Griston Road, Watton, Surreys Property Co. Ltd.

84c Site Visit

Letter from Mr Jolly asking that Members arrange a site visit for the Planning Application, which they recommended for refusal.

It was agreed that a meeting be arranged for a site visit and that Mr Jolly be offered various Mondays in April at 1pm.

A Member asked the reason why Breckland had not decided to use the name decided by the Town Council for the development on Norwich Road named Station Way.

The Clerk explained that the naming of the development had gone to Committee at Breckland and had been decided that the pronunciation of the preferred name Julnes Court had been found to be confusing.

It was agreed that a letter be sent to Breckland asking that reason be given if names were refused.

It was also agreed that the list that had been given to Breckland for suggested names should be reviewed.

85 PLANNING RESULTS

Plan No	Application	Detail	WTC	BC
3PL/2009/1503/O	Mr Adrian Sellers 1 West Rd, Watton	New house and garage 1 West Rd, Watton	Objection	Approval
3PL/2009/0006/F	Mr & Mrs P Watts 2 St Mary's Close Watton, IP25 6DS	Erection of 2 storey dwelling and detached garage 2 St Mary's Close Watton	No Objection	Refusal
Y/3/2008/3020	Norfolk County Council	Installation of a Canopy Westfield Infants School	No Objection	Approved
3PL/2008/1622/0	Mr T Wells 10 Monkams Drive Watton	Demolition of bungalow creation of new access & erection of 8 new dwellings with garages 10 Monkams Drive Watton	No Objection	Approval

86 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Plan No	Application	Details	W.T.C.
3PL/2009/9173/F	C H & E I Bambridge & Sons Wayland Croft, Watton Green Watton, IP25 6RB	Erection of agricultural storage building Wayland Croft, Watton Green, Watton	No Objection
3PL/2009/0224/D	D A Cram Wayland Cottage Wood Lane Griston Road, Watton IP25 6DL	Erection of single dwelling on garden plot Wayland Cottage, Wood Lane, Griston Road, Watton IP25 6DL	Refusal

Councillors J P McCarthy declared a Prejudicial Interest but under 12.2 of the Code of Conduct addressed the Committee with his objection and written evidence (APPENDIX A) and then left the meeting.

Councillor L McCarthy also declared a Prejudicial Interest and left the meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor Rudling, seconded by Councillor Crabtree and

RESOLVED

Voting 7 for with 1 Abstention

That the application be recommended for refusal due to the need for clarification of the part of the plan, which included a part of Wood Lane.

3PL/2009/0122/F	Serrys Property Co Ltd Altas Wks, Norwich Rd Lenwade, Norwich NR9 5SN	Demolish existing industrial units & erection of 24 dwellings & garages for plots 2,3, 4,7, 8,11 and 17	Refusal
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Councillor J P McCarthy declared a Prejudicial Interest but under 12.2 of the Code of Conduct addressed the Committee with his objection and written evidence (APPENDIX B) and then left the meeting.

Councillor L McCarthy declared a Prejudicial Interest and left the meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor Gilbert, seconded by Councillor Wykes and

RESOLVED

Voting 7 for with 1 Abstention

That refusal be recommended as the site was not suitable for a residential development in such close proximity to a heavy engineering company where noise levels could rise significantly and that there was no reference to a footpath on Griston Road as had been agreed in the previous plan.

It was further agreed that a letter be sent to the head of planning, the Chief Executive, the Cabinet Portfolio Member and Environmental Health, asking that the site be cleared of the buildings which contain Asbestos and that the whole site be cleaned up.

The Meeting ended at 8.16 pm

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