



# Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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MINUTES OF A MEETING PLANNING, HIGHWAYS & LICENSING COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019  
LEIGH COMMUNITY CENTRE, 71-73 ELM ROAD, LEIGH-ON-SEA

Present: Cllrs: Jill Healey (Chairman), Doug Cracknell, Anita Forde, Paul Gilson and Vivien Rosier

In Attendance: Abbie Cotterell (Assistant Proper Officer) and 2 members of the public.

***The meeting opened at 7.30pm***

## 19. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs: Caroline Parker and Damian O'Boyle

## 20. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

*Cllr D Cracknell declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda item 5L (76A Chalkwell Park Drive) as his house backs onto this proposal.*

## 21. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019 were agreed and signed.

## 22. LICENSING APPLICATIONS

SOS/19/01150/LAVARY

### **51 BROADWAY, LEIGH ON SEA, ESSEX SS9 1PA**

Application to vary the existing premises licence to include the upper floor area within the licensed area and add a condition that maintains a minimum number of covers.

There is no change to the current hours.

The application was discussed by the Committee and **RESOLVED NO OBJECTION**

## PLANNING SECTION 1

### APPLICATIONS WHERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ATTEND AND REQUEST TO BE HEARD.

## 23. MOTIONS AT A MEETING THAT DO NOT REQUIRE WRITTEN NOTICE

In accordance with Standing Order 11 a motion was moved to change the order of business on the Agenda.

## 24. LOS/19/0213                      SOS/19/01012/FULH                      (ELMS WARD)

### **245 ELM ROAD, LEIGH ON SEA, ESSEX SS9 1SA**

Erect single storey side extension with rooflights

One letter of objection had been received and the Committee also heard a representation from a member of the public.

The application was discussed by the Committee and **RESOLVED TO OBJECT** as this would have an effect on the neighbouring property, as it would result in an unacceptable loss of light to one of the main habitable rooms of the attached property and would appear dominant and visually obtrusive to the detriment of the resident amenity of the occupiers.

The development is also in contravention of policy DM1 of Southend Borough Council's Development Management Document as it does not positively contribute to the space between buildings and their relationship to the public realm.

**2 members of the public left the meeting**

## SECTION 2

### APPLICATIONS OF A CONTROVERSIAL NATURE OR WITH IMPLICATIONS FOR LEIGH AS A WHOLE; LARGE SCALE DEVELOPMENTS OR THOSE AFFECTING THE PUBLIC REALM.

*There were none*

## PLANNING SECTION 3

### APPLICATIONS WHERE THE COUNCIL HAS RECEIVED OBJECTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC OR THAT HAVE BEEN "CALLED IN" BY A COUNCILLOR FOR CONSIDERATION.

25. LOS/19/0207                      SOS/19/00943/FULH                      **(HIGHLANDS WARD)**  
**18 VARDON DRIVE, LEIGH ON SEA, ESSEX SS9 3SR**  
Erect single storey rear extension (Amended Proposal) (Retrospective)

The Committee **RESOLVED TO OBJECT**, as whilst we acknowledge there has been an amendment with a reduction to the North boundary it still appears to be obtrusive. This would have an effect on the neighbouring property, as it would result in an unacceptable loss of light to the main habitable room of the attached property and would appear dominant and visually obtrusive to the detriment of the resident amenity of the occupiers.

26. LOS/19/0208                      SOS/19/00800/FUL                      **(LEIGH ROAD WARD)**  
**840-846 LONDON ROAD, LEIGH ON SEA, ESSEX SS9 3NH**  
Demolish existing building, erect part two/part three storey building to form nine self-contained flats, layout parking and bin and cycle stores to rear

The application was discussed by the Committee and whilst there are no material considerations for an objection to this application we would like it acknowledged that the additional parking stress the development will cause, in an already saturated area, is unacceptable.

27. The Committee had **NO OBJECTION** to the following applications:

LOS/19/0195                      SOS/19/0044/BC4                      **(ST. CLEMENT'S WARD)**  
**THE DEN VICTORIA WHARF, HIGH STREET, LEIGH ON SEA, ESSEX SS9 2EN**  
Erect ground floor infill extension, raise existing ground level by 450mm and erect temporary storage unit

LOS/19/0196                      SOS/19/00881/FUL                      **(HIGHLANDS WARD)**  
**1579A LONDON ROAD, LEIGH ON SEA, ESSEX SS9 2SG**  
Erect dormer to rear and alter elevations

LOS/19/0197                      SOS/19/00896/FUL                      **(ELMS WARD)**  
**22-24 ELM ROAD, LEIGH ON SEA, ESSEX SS9 1SN**  
Change of use from shop (Class A1) to mixed use (Classes A1/ A2)

LOS/19/0199                      SOS/19/00842/FULH                      **(ELMS WARD)**



The best method of prevention was discussed in great detail and it was felt that motorbike inhibitors could work, still allowing access to buggies, bikes and mobility scooters. It is believed the cinder path is owned by Network Rail. The Committee instructed the Assistant Proper Officer to make contact with Network Rail to ascertain who owns the land and whether the landowners would give consideration of the idea and report back to Committee for discussion and whether a recommendation to Council was appropriate.

31. CYCLING ISSUES

Cllr Doug Cracknell raised the issue of cycling on the pavements at the recent Local Community Policing meeting on behalf of a local resident. The Police advised that fines would start to be issued for cycling on the pavements. This will be starting in Central Southend before being extended to the wider area.

The Committee **RESOLVED** with **RECOMMENDATION** to Council that a community meeting to discuss speeding, cycling and parking issues in the town could be beneficial if Southend Borough Councillors and the local police team were invited. The format of such a meeting was discussed and details will be included when the recommendation is submitted to Full Council.

The Committee discussed the current Council initiative with regard to trying to establish Police Specials in the Town Council area. It was noted that Southend Borough Council operate a Community Safety team that currently seems to runs effectively in Southend High Street. The community safety team have no legal powers, but provide a presence in the town to deter people from cycling and parking on the pavement etc. The Committee requested that the Chairman provide more information on this at the next meeting for discussion and consideration of whether a recommendation to Council was appropriate.

32. MOTION TO EXCLUDE PUBLIC AND PRESS – THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

33. PRE-PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION – Confidential Appendix 1

That in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the public and press be excluded and instructed to withdraw – SO 3(d)

The Committee discussed the Pre-Planning Application Consultation and **RESOLVED NO OBJECTION** to the location but would like the equipment to be as un-intrusive as possible.

***The meeting closed at 9.12 pm***