BILLERICAY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COACH HOUSE, CROWN YARD, HIGH STREET, BILLERICAY ON TUESDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2017 AT 7pm

Present

Cllr L Mitchelmore – Chairman	Cllr M Moore – Vice Chairman	Cllr J Clark
Cllr R Clark	Cllr M Dear	Cllr J Devlin
Cllr D Hayden	Cllr D Spencer	Cllr A Talboys
Cllr J Tutton		

In Attendance Diane McCarthy, Committee Clerk

92 Apologies for Absence

There were none.

93 Declarations of Interest with Regard to Agenda Items

Cllr Mitchelmore declared a non pecuniary interest in agenda item 8 as she is a member of the Billericay Action Group.

94 Public Participation Session with Respect to Agenda Items

There were none.

95 Minutes of the meeting held on 31st October 2017

Resolved: following approval, the minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

96 Planning Applications

17/01420/FULL	100 Upland Road	Conversion and extension of existing detached bungalow to form a chalet incorporating a new raised roof with flat-roofed side dormers **Resolved:** The Town Council had no objection to this application.
17/01456/FULL	41 Langemore Way	Conversion of integral garage to habitable space incorporating external alterations **Resolved:** The Town Council had no objection to this application.

17/01465/FULL	95 Lampern Crescent	Single storey side extension **Resolved:** The Town Council had no objection to this application.
17/01480/FULL	29 Frithwood Close	First floor rear extension and external alterations **Resolved:** The Town Council had no objection to this application.
17/01507/FULL	30 Lakeside	Erect side dormer **Resolved:** The Town Council had no objection to this application.
17/01515/FULL	23 Lancer Way	First floor front extension **Resolved:** The Town Council had no objection to this application.

97 Proposed Diversion of Public Footpath 26 Billericay – 70 Norsey Road

Members considered an email from the Essex County Council Public Rights of Way and Records Manager regarding the diversion of public footpath 26. The County Council is proposing to make the Order and wanted to know if the Town Council would make a formal objection.

The point of access for the proposed diversion does terminate on an extended footway however this footway was not installed by Essex Highways so it is not built to Highway adoption standards. Members also considered it to be urbanisation of the open space. Members also felt that as the area is not enclosed by a fence there is no public benefit to diverting the path.

Members did note that the fence posts from refused planning application 16/01624/FULL – retention of fence and change of use of land to residential curtilage are still in place and wanted Basildon Council to enforce removal of the posts. It was

Resolved: that the Town Council (a) formally objects to Essex County Council on the diversion of Footpath 26 and (b) asks Basildon Council to enforce the removal of the fence posts.

98 Town And Country Planning Act 1990 – Section 247 – Stopping up Of Highway At Roman Way, Billericay

Members received and considered a stopping up order from the Department of Transport for various sections of highway at Roman Way Billericay. It was

Resolved: that the information be noted

99 Basildon Council Draft Local Plan Statement of Consultation 2016

Members received and considered a proposal from Cllr Mitchelmore regarding the Basildon Council Draft Local Plan Statement of Consultation. Cllr Mitchelmore had raised some questions that she felt Basildon Council should answer regarding sections 7.31, 7.50, 7.80 and 7.81 (Action 29) of the document. Cllr Mitchelmore proposed that Basildon Council be asked the following questions:-

Has the high level development framework of sites within S.W. Billericay been completed?

The high level development framework could result in an additional 1000 houses being built in South West Billericay with greater impacts on the landscape and additional land being removed from the Green Belt. Will residents be consulted and given an opportunity to comment before the framework is included in the Local Plan for the Section 19 consultation which considers the soundness of the plan?

Has the borough wide VISUM model been prepared and if so will residents have an opportunity to see the results of the modelling and does the modelling include the extra 1000 houses?

An extra 1000 houses are required to assist in the proposed cost of 60 million for the relief route. How would the cost of this 60 million be spread over the proposed houses?

Cllr Moore seconded the proposal and Members agreed that the Town Council should write to Basildon Council to ask the questions proposed by Cllr Mitchelmore. It was

Resolved: that the Town Council writes to Basildon Council to ask the questions proposed by Cllr Mitchelmore on the Basildon Council Draft Local Plan Statement of Consultation 2016.

100 Questions from Press and Public

There were none.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.09pm. The next Planning Committee will be held on Tuesday 28th November 2017.

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Chairman Date