

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning, Licensing and Finance Committee held at the Guildhall, Bury St Edmunds, on Wednesday 25 August 2021 at 6.00pm

Present: Cllr Whittingham (Vice Chairman, in the Chair), D Hind, Murray and Chung (Deputy Town Mayor, ex-officio with full voting rights).

Also present: Greg Luton (Town Clerk) and Sue Hindry (Assistant Town Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer).

1. To receive apologies for absence and reasons

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Iannelli-Popham and Thompson. Cllrs Bouché and Rout had not sent apologies.

2. Declarations of interest and additions to registers

Cllrs Chung and Hind declared a local non-pecuniary interest as District Councillors.

3. To consider written applications for a dispensation relieving members from the restrictions in section 31(4) of the Localism Act 2011, and to specify the period for which dispensation is granted

None.

4. To approve and sign the minutes of 11 August 2021

Resolution Record (Delegated Powers): **PL&F/01/25/Aug/21**

That the minutes of the Planning Licensing and Finance committee meeting of 11 August 2021 be signed as an accurate record.

5. Public forum

None present.

6. To consider planning and licensing applications

6.1 List A

Resolution Record (Delegated Powers): **PL&F/02/25/Aug/21**

That for DC/21/1627/TCA Trees in a conservation area notification - one Bay (T1 on plan) fell in respect of 17 Brentgovel Street, Bury St Edmunds Town Council has no objection based on information received subject to Conservation Area and Article 4 issues but requests that the felled tree be replaced with a suitable species.

Resolution Record (Delegated Powers): **PL&F/03/25/Aug/21**

That all planning applications considered on List A, except DC/21/1627/TCA, be returned with the comment 'No objection based on information received', and additionally for Conservation Area properties, the comment 'Subject to Conservation Area and Article 4 issues'.

6.2 List B

Resolution Record (Delegated Powers): **PL&F/04/25/Aug/21**

That all planning applications considered on List B be returned with the comment 'No objection based on information received', and additionally for Conservation Area properties, the comment 'Subject to Conservation Area and Article 4 issues'.

7. To have an update on the acquisition of a Guildhall acoustics system

Concern was expressed about the costliness of acoustic systems which members felt was not justified as it stood. Options discussed included use of free-standing acoustic panels and battery-powered consoles or just moving closer together to hear better. Further details will be provided for consideration at the next meeting, with a demo at the next Full Council.

8. Date of next meeting

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 08 September 2021 at 6.00pm

The meeting closed at 6.31pm.

Signed _____ Dated _____