

# Minutes

## Planning Committee 15th September 2020



This meeting was held in accordance with the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 via Zoom and YouTube.

### Present

Councillors	Present	Councillors	Present
J Abbott	Yes	Mrs I Parker	Yes
K Bowers	Yes	F Ricci	Yes
T Cunningham	Apologies	Mrs W Scattergood (Chairman)	Yes
P Horner	Yes	Mrs G Spray	Yes
H Johnson	Yes	N Unsworth	Apologies
D Mann	Yes	J Wrench	Yes (from 7.26pm)
A Munday	Yes		

### 57 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

**INFORMATION:** There were no interests declared.

### 58 MINUTES

**DECISION:** It was reported that the Minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on 18th August 2020 and 1st September 2020 were not available for approval.

### 59 QUESTION TIME

**INFORMATION:** There were five statements made about the following matters. Those people who had registered to participate during Question Time had submitted written statements in advance of the meeting and these were read to the Committee by the Council's Governance and Member Services Officer immediately prior to the consideration of the applications.

Application No. 20/00685/FUL - Village Hall, Braintree Road, Wethersfield  
Application No. 20/01017/HH - 14 Rowan Way, Witham

Principally, these Minutes record decisions taken only and, where appropriate, the reasons for the decisions.

## 60 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS APPROVED**

Planning Application Nos. 20/00228/HH -60 Temple Lane, Silver End; 20/00525/HH - 97 Highfields Road, Witham; and 20/00840/HH - 20 Brain Valley Avenue, Black Notley were determined en bloc.

**DECISION:** That the undermentioned planning applications be approved under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, including Listed Building Consent where appropriate, subject to the conditions and reasons contained in the Planning Development Manager's report, as amended below. Details of these planning applications are contained in the Register of Planning Applications.

<b><u>Plan No.</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Applicant(s)</u></b>	<b><u>Proposed Development</u></b>
*20/00105/VAR *(APPROVED)	Kelvedon	Highfields Solar Limited	Variation of Conditions 18 (25 year Time Limit) and 19 (Decommissioning of Site) of permission 12/01472/FUL granted 03.09.2013 for: Construction of a 36.54 hectare solar park, to include the installation of solar panels to generate electricity, with transformer housings, security fencing and cameras, landscaping and other associated works. Variation of conditions would allow for: - Extension of time period from 25 years to 40 years, Photovoltaic Installation, Highfields Farm, Highfields Lane.

The Committee approved this application, subject to the amendment of Condition Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 7 as follows:-

### **Amended Conditions**

3. The Inverter Cabin shall have been constructed in accordance with the details submitted pursuant to 'discharge of conditions' application reference 13/00220/DAC granted on 13th February 2014.
4. The security cameras shall have been erected in accordance with the details submitted pursuant to 'discharge of conditions' application reference 13/00220/DAC granted on 13th February 2014.

5. The security fencing shall have been erected in accordance with the details submitted pursuant to 'discharge of conditions' application reference 13/00220/DAC granted on 13th February 2014.
7. The landscaping of the site shall be in accordance with the landscaping details agreed pursuant to 'discharge of conditions' application reference 13/00220/DAC granted on 13th February 2014, together with the details set out in the above-mentioned Planning Statement dated March 2020 and Planting and Landscape Management Plan ref 2020 HIGHFIELDS 01 submitted 16th March 2020.

The additional landscaping (set out in the above-mentioned Planning Statement dated March 2020 and Planting and Landscape Management Plan ref 2020 HIGHFIELDS 01 submitted 16th March 2020) shall be carried out in the first available planting and seeding seasons.

Any trees or plants which die, are removed, or become seriously damaged, or diseased within a period of 5 years from the completion of the development shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of a similar size and species.

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*20/00228/HH (APPROVED)	Silver End	Mr Cheek	Replacement of front Crittall windows with Heritage White aluminium windows, 60 Temple Lane.

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*20/00525/HH (APPROVED)	Witham	Kathleen Tearle	One and a half storey side and single-storey rear extensions, 97 Highfields Road.

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*20/00685/FUL (APPROVED)	Wethersfield	CROWS c/o Cliff Stevens	Single storey front extension to village hall to create village shop and improvements to former highway forecourt area.

Erection of new bus shelter -  
Revised scheme, Village  
Hall, Braintree Road.

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*20/00840/HH (APPROVED)	Black Notley	Mr John Farrow	Two-storey front, side and rear extensions, together with internal alterations, 20 Brain Valley Avenue.

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*20/01017/HH (APPROVED)	Witham	Mr Lee Virgin	Single storey rear extension and single storey front extension, 14 Rowan Way.

PLEASE NOTE: The full list of standard conditions and reasons can be viewed at the office of the Planning Development Manager, Council Offices, Causeway House, Bocking End, Braintree, Essex CM7 9HB.

(Where applications are marked with an \* this denotes that representations were received and considered by the Committee).

The meeting closed at 8.31pm.

Councillor Mrs W Scattergood  
(Chairman)