

**MINUTES of the PLANNING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Main Hall, Epping Hall, St Johns Road, Epping on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 6.30pm.**

**PRESENT:**

Cllr N Avey (Chairman)  
Cllr B Scruton (Vice Chairman and Deputy Mayor - *ex officio*)  
Cllr S Baker  
Cllr C McCredie  
Cllr G Scruton  
Cllr M Wright (Mayor - *ex officio*)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** No members of the press or public were present.

**OFFICER:** Geraldine Vallis (Planning & Events Officer)

**343 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies for absence were received.

**344 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr N Avey and Cllr C McCredie declared a non-pecuniary interest in application LB/EPF/3048/21 Civic Offices, Main Building, 323 High Street as they are District Councillors of Epping Forest District Council which owns the Civic Offices building.

Cllr N Avey and Cllr C McCredie requested an entry to be made in the minutes, to make it clear, that as members of both the Town and District Councils, they will reconsider all matters at District level taking into account all relevant evidence and representations at the District tier. Therefore, they cannot be bound in any way by any view expressed in the parish tier or by the decisions of this Committee.

**345 DISPENSATIONS**

There were no dispensations.

**346 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Committee **RESOLVED** that:

**the minutes of the meeting of the Planning & General Purposes Committee held on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2021 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.**

**347 PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS**

There were no public questions or comments.

**348 NOTICES AND INFORMATION**

There were no notices and information.

349 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Committee **CONSIDERED** the following planning and tree applications received from Epping Forest District Council since the date of the previous meeting until the date of this agenda.

EPF/3050/21	4 Kendal Avenue Epping CM16 4PN Mr Virk	Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a new dwelling.
<p>Committee <b>strongly OBJECT</b> to this application.</p> <p>Committee are surprised to see another planning application at this address for the demolition of a perfectly good property which is in keeping with the streetscene and in a prominent position on Kendal Avenue and Hartland Road. Committee strongly object to the loss of this large, attractive family house.</p> <p>The Committee acknowledged the previous number of planning applications to demolish this property which were opposed by the Town Council and refused permission by Epping Forest District Council.</p> <p>This latest proposal is an overdevelopment of the site in terms of its height of three floors and bulk. It will affect the current streetscene in a negative way particularly the carefully styled properties on Kendal Avenue.</p> <p>Committee are aware of the large number of residents who are opposed to this proposal as well as the other recent previous applications on this site.</p> <p>Relevant policies: CP2, CP7, DBE2, DBE9, H3A.</p> <p>Emerging Local Plan: H1A (ii) &amp; (iii)</p> <p>NPPF: Para 9</p> <p><a href="#">Epping Town Council confirm they will attend and speak at Plans East to object to this proposal.</a></p>		
LB/EPF/3048/21	Civic Offices, Main Building 323 High Street Epping CM16 4BZ Mr Craig I'Bell	Grade II listed building consent for aluminium composite monolith and wall mounted acrylic sign.
<p>Committee <b>OBJECT</b> to this application.</p> <p>The monolith sign to the front of the building is too large and imposing on the street scene. This would dramatically affect the character of the High Street in this conservation area. This is a prominent location in a historic town.</p> <p>The way finding signage outside on the wall entrance is proposed to be internally-illuminated. Policy confirms that advertising consent should not be given to the installation of internally-illuminated signs and this would dramatically affect the character of the street scene in this conservation area.</p> <p>Relevant policies: DBE13 (Adopted Local Plan)</p> <p>Emerging Local Plan: DM13A</p> <p><a href="#">Epping Town Council confirm they will attend and speak at Plans East to object to this proposal.</a></p>		
TPO/EPF/3170/21	Rear of 73-83 Buckingham Road Epping CM16 5AF Lint Group	TPO/EPF/25/15 (Ref: T4, T5, G1 & G2) T1 & T2: Field Maple - Crown reduce by up to 1.5m on car park side, as specified. T3-T6, T9-T10: 6 x Field Maple - Crown reduce on building side by up to 2m, as specified.

Committee have <b>NO OBJECTION</b> with the work provided it is carried out under the supervision of the arboricultural officer at EFDC.		
EPF/3094/21	52 Tower Road Epping CM16 5EN Mr Ross Burns	Proposed two storey side extension, part two / part single storey rear extension, loft conversion.
Committee have <b>NO OBJECTION</b> to this application.		

350 **STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING**

**REQUEST TO REGISTER ONE RESIDENTIAL DWELLING ADJACENT TO 1 LABURNUM ROAD**

The property in the above development has been allocated a postal address shown below.

Address: 1A Archer Close, Coopersale, Epping, CM16 7FG

Committee **NOTED** the above.

351 **PLANNING DECISIONS**

Committee **NOTED** that no planning decisions had been received from Epping Forest District Council for this period.

The Chairman closed the meeting at **7.05pm**.

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**Signature of Chairman**

**Date**