

**Danbury Parish Council
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Meeting held remotely on 19 October 2020 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors: J Thombs (Chairman), S Berlyn (Ex Officio), M Hessing (Vice Chairman), A Keeler.

In Attendance: Mr J Alexander, Mrs L Mitchelmore (Assistant Clerk), and a member of the public.

20/21.47 Apologies for absence

Cllr A Chapman.

20/21.48 Declarations of Interest

Members are required to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they know they may have in items of business on the meeting's agenda. They are reminded that they will need to repeat their declaration at the appropriate point in the meeting and leave the room if the interest is a prejudicial one. Unforeseen interests must be declared similarly at the appropriate time. Members have dispensation to discuss and vote in respect of matters relating to the Precept and the DCA.

None

20/21.49 Public Question Time

Members of the public are invited to address the Council, give their views and question the Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration (at the discretion of the Chairman). Members of the public may not take part in the Council meeting itself. At the close of this item members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the Council unless invited to do so by the Chairman. The session will last for a maximum of 15 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 5 minutes. Members of the public should address their representation through the Chairman of the meeting.

The member of the public introduced themselves and stated that they were considering applying for Co-option to the Council. The Committee members welcome them and introduced themselves.

20/21.50 Minutes

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 28 September 2020 were approved and would be signed as a true record.

20/21.51 Planning Applications

20/21.51.1

Eleven applications were considered and responses agreed.

RESOLVED: That the responses to the applications in Appendix A be submitted to Chelmsford City Council (CCC).

20/21.51.2

The Committee determined whether to refer any application *to which it had objected* to the local Ward Member for determination by the CCC Planning Committee (unless officers were minded to refuse it).

RESOLVED: that no applications would be referred to the ward member for determination by CCC.

20/21.52 Planning Decisions

The planning decisions in Appendix B were noted.

20/21.53 Consultations

20/21.53.1 South Woodham Ferrers Neighbourhood Plan

Members considered whether to make a response to the South Woodham Ferrers (SWF) Neighbourhood Plan Consultation.

RESOLVED: that the Assistant Clerk would check the draft plan to see whether any policies would impact Danbury and the A414 and report back to the Planning Committee at the meeting scheduled for the 9th November.

20/21.53.2 Chelmsford City Council Making Places Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) Consultation.

Members considered a response to this consultation and agreed that it would be completed at the Planning Committee Meeting scheduled for the 9th November.

RESOLVED: that members would send any comments to the Assistant Clerk who would draft a response to be considered at the Planning Committee Meeting scheduled for the 9th November.

20/21.53.3 Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Members considered a response to this consultation and agreed that it would be completed at the Planning Committee Meeting scheduled for the 9th November.

RESOLVED: that members would send any comments to the Assistant Clerk who would draft a response to be considered at the Planning Committee Meeting scheduled for the 9th November.

20/21.53.4 Bradwell B Environmental Statement Scoping Opinion

Members considered a response to the Planning Inspectorate Consultation regarding the Scoping Opinion for the Bradwell B Environmental Statement. Cllr A Chapman who was not in attendance had forwarded some comments and it was agreed to submit these in response to the consultation.

RESOLVED: that Cllr A Chapman's comments be submitted in response to the consultation.

20/21.54 Danbury Neighbourhood Plan

The Assistant Clerk reported that the Design Code was nearing completion and that the Sites Working Group would be meeting to continue work on the plan.

20/21.55 Planning for the Future White Paper Consultation

Members had received the draft response to the Government White Paper Consultation prior to the meeting and agreed that it could be submitted. It had been submitted to the National Association of Councils to meet their deadline and would also be copied to the Essex Association of Local Councils, City and County Councillors and the planning department at Chelmsford City Council on the request of Cllr Berlyn.

RESOLVED: that the response to the consultation be submitted and copied to the Essex Association of Local Councils, City and County Councillors and the planning department at Chelmsford City Council.

20/21.56 Matters for Report (for information only)

Cllr Berlyn thanked the member of the public for attending the meeting.

Mr R Cole-Jones announced that he was resigning from his role as the Danbury Society's representative on the Planning Committee with immediate effect, and that a replacement to represent the Danbury Society

would be confirmed at the Society's AGM. Mr Cole-Jones was thanked for his contribution to both the Committee and community over what had been a number of years and wished him well for his future endeavours.

Cllr Thombs announced that it was with great sadness that he was resigning from the Planning Committee with immediate effect and thanked committee members and Assistant Clerk for their work on the committee, particularly during the coronavirus restrictions. Members of the Committee expressed their thanks to Jonathan for his contribution to the Planning Committee and professionalism in his role as Chairperson.

20/21.57 Dates of next meeting

Monday 9 November 2020 to be held remotely by Zoom at 7.30pm

There being no further business to transact, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.44pm.

Chairman

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Signed

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Date

Ref no	Property	Proposal	Comments
20/01446/FUL	38 Hyde Lane	Install an additional window in the first floor.	No comments
20/01487/FUL	11, Eves Corner	Garage conversion and replacement of windows and doors.	The Parish Council supports the comments of the Chelmsford City Council Planning and Listed Building and Conservation Officer.
20/01520/FUL	75 Parkdale	Single storey ground floor and first floor rear extensions.	No comments
20/01549/FUL	33 Parkdale	Proposed first floor rear extension and internal alterations.	No comments
20/05236/TPO	21 Danbury Vale	T10 - Oak – Crown lift to provide a 2.8m clearance from the ground level over pedestrian path and 5.3m over public highway – good arboricultural practice.	No comments
20/05239/TPO	6 Danbury Vale	T2 – Oak – Crown reduction to reduce the height and spread of the tree by up to 1.5m. Reason: good arboricultural practice.	Please would the Tree Officer check that there are no safety issues with the adjacent oak trees.
20/05609/CAT	133 Main Road	Sycamore T1 - Fell and treat stump as causing subsidence to the property. Sycamore T3 – Fell and treat stump as causing subsidence to the property.	T1 and T2 – no objections. If any works are proposed to the hedgerow, please could this be reviewed as it provides a vital species rich habitat and wildlife corridor. Its loss may also have a detrimental impact on the setting of the neighbouring Grade II listed cottage (135 Main Road).
20/05614/CAT	128 Main Road	T1 – Cherry – reduce in height by 3m. T2 – Prunus – reduce in height by 5m. Reason: Both T1 and T2 are getting too large for the small garden and are blocking light.	The extent of the reduction proposed seems to be excessive. More frequent and less drastic maintenance would be preferable.

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19/01748/DOC/1 Split decision Conditions 2,4,11,12 and 13 discharged. Condition 10 partially discharged Condition 3 - refused	86 Main Road	Condition 3 - Sample of materials; Condition 4 - Boundary treatments; Condition 5 -Details of (a) Eaves, verges, hips and ridges; (b) Doors, door casings and surrounds; (c) windows (d) plinths (e) chimneys (f) rooflights (g)vents (h)flues (l) Meter Boxes (J) satellite dishes (K) external lighting (L) Under Croft Parking; Condition 11 - Remediation; Condition 12 -Details of hard and soft landscape works.	No comments
20/00974/FUL Granted	Alver, Colemans Lane	Proposed single storey side extension	No comments
20/05187/TPO Granted	Woodlands, 14 Runsell Lane	G2 - Oak (G2) - pollard. Reason: recommendation from tree surgeon - to allow for a balanced crown to rejuvenate the and give the maximum opportunity to blossom and fill the available space. Pollarding advised to be completed late in the season when tree has regressed in the autumn, causing minimal stress to the tree.	No comments
20/01300/FUL Granted	Russetts, Maldon Road	Demolish existing conservatory. Construction of single storey rear extension with 3No. roof windows. Increase in size of rear dormer and front porch.	No comments
20/01286/FUL Granted	1 Belvedere Close	Rear single-story infill extension	No comments