

Note: *The Chairman may change the listed order of items to accommodate visiting Ward Members and members of the public*

8. Site Inspection

Note: *Should a site inspection be required for any of the applications this will be held on Wednesday 22 April (exact time to be given). The Committee will reconvene after the site inspection in the Council Chamber.*

Would Members please retain the relevant papers for use at that meeting

9. Urgent business – such other business which, by reason of special circumstances to be specified, the Chairman agrees should be considered as a matter of urgency.

(Note: Any matter to be raised under this item must be notified, in writing, to the Chief Executive or District Monitoring Officer before the commencement of the meeting, who will then take instructions from the Chairman)

Note: Council 25 September 2014 – Minute CL55
Planning Charter paragraph 4.7

Ward Members attending meetings of Development Control Committees and Planning Referral Committee may take the opportunity to exercise their speaking rights but are not entitled to vote on any matter which relates to his/her ward.

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Governance Support Officer

Members:

Councillor Kathie Guthrie – Chairman – Conservative and Independent Group
Councillor Stuart Gemmill – Vice-Chairman – Conservative and Independent Group

Conservative and Independent Group

Councillors: Roy Barker
Caroline Byles
Poppy Robinson
Jane Storey

Suffolk Together, Green and Independent Group

Councillors: Gerard Brewster
John Matthissen

Liberal Democrat Group

Councillors: John Field
Mike Norris

Substitutes

Members can select a substitute from any Member of the Council providing they have undertaken the annual planning training

Ward Members

Ward Members have the right to speak but not to vote on issues within their Wards

Mid Suffolk District Council

Vision

“We will work to ensure that the economy, environment and communities of Mid Suffolk continue to thrive and achieve their full potential.”

Strategic Priorities 2014-2019

1. Economy and Environment

Lead and shape the local economy by promoting and helping to deliver sustainable economic growth which is balanced with respect for wildlife, heritage and the natural and built environment.

Outcomes

- Strong and productive relationships with business, visitors and partners are established.
- Investment is secured and employment opportunities are developed through existing and new business including the delivery of more high value jobs.
- Local skills provision is more aligned to the local economy with our education and training equipping people for work.
- Key strategic sites are developed and an infrastructure is in place that delivers economic advantage to existing and new business.
- The natural and built environment and our heritage and wildlife are balanced with growth.
- Our market towns are accessible and sustainable vibrant local and regional centres.
- Growth achieved in the key sectors of food, drink, agriculture, tourism, advanced manufacturing (engineering), logistics and energy sectors of the local economy.
- Potential from the green economy is maximised, for homes and businesses.
- Our environment is more resilient to climate change and flooding, water loss and emissions are reduced.
- A cleaner, safer and healthier environment is delivered providing a good quality of life for residents and visitors.

2. Housing

Ensure that there are enough good quality, environmentally efficient and cost effective homes with the appropriate tenures and in the right locations.

Outcomes

- That the supply of housing meets the needs and demands of all and supports diverse vibrant communities.
- Appropriate amenities and infrastructure for core villages acting as hubs for their surrounding areas.
- A high standard of housing that is energy efficient, accessible, of good quality, in the right locations and with the right tenures.
- People are able to move more readily and have the choice and ability to access appropriate housing.

3. Strong and Healthy Communities

Encourage and support individuals and communities to be self sufficient, strong, healthy and safe.

Outcomes

- Vibrant, healthy, sustainable and resilient communities maximising their skills and assets.
- Individuals and communities taking responsibility for their own health, wellbeing, fitness and lifestyles.
- Communities feel safer and there are low levels of crime.
- Communities are better connected and have a strong and productive relationship with Mid Suffolk District Council.

Suffolk Local Code of Conduct

1. Pecuniary Interests

Does the item of Council business relate to or affect any of your/your spouse /partner's pecuniary interests?

Yes

Declare you have a pecuniary interest

Leave the room. Do not participate or vote (Unless you have a dispensation)

Breach = criminal offence

No

No interests to declare

2. Non-Pecuniary Interests

Does the item of Council business relate to or affect any of your non-pecuniary interests ?

Yes

Declare you have a non-pecuniary interest

Participate fully and vote

Breach = non-compliance with Code

No

No interests to declare