

MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the **DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE B** held at the Council Offices, Needham Market on 16 December 2015 at 09:30

PRESENT: Councillor Kathie Guthrie – Conservative and Independent Group (Chairman)
Councillor Roy Barker – Vice-Chairman – Conservative and Independent Group

Conservative and Independent Group

Councillor: Jessica Fleming
Glen Horn
Barry Humphreys MBE
Dave Muller
Jane Storey
Jill Wilshaw*

Green Group

Councillor: Keith Welham

Denotes substitute *

In attendance: Senior Development Management Planning Officer (JPG)
Planning Officer (AM)
Senior Legal Executive
Governance Support Officer (VL/KD)

SA41 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/SUBSTITUTIONS

Councillor Jill Wilshaw was substituting for Councillor Julie Flatman.

SA42 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY/NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

All Members declared they had a non-pecuniary interest applications in 4033/15, 3980/15 and 3981/15 as they knew the applicants.

SA43 DECLARATIONS OF LOBBYING

There were no declarations of lobbying.

SA44 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL SITE VISITS

None received

SA45 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 18 NOVEMBER 2015

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 November were confirmed as a correct record, subject to an amendment Item 1, page B, to add the word 'secondary' and a minor typographic error was noted on page I.

SA46 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

None received.

SA47 SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application Number	Representations from
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4033/15	Jane Storey (Applicant)
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Item 1

Application	4033/15
Proposal	Erection of close boarded timber fence to existing brick wall on highway boundary.
Site Location	WOOLPIT – East View, Mill Lane
Applicant	Mrs J Storey

The Case Officer presented the report and detailed the application and the area surrounding it, drawing Members attention to the close proximity of both the village hall and the primary school, which Mill Lane serves. He also detailed the narrow nature of the road.

Jane Storey, the Applicant began by advising that there were no pavements along Mill Lane, and Highways had suggested that no vehicles would travel over 15mph when using Mill Lane. The height of the fence on the inside of the garden was no more than 1.5m high, with the level from the highway to garden varying up to .5m higher. The Applicant had two large dogs, and the fence had been erected to enclose and protect the dogs and also to give security and privacy to the Applicant. She advised that a police report had been filed as there was concern the dogs had been targeted for dog fighting. She also advised that in the vicinity of her property there was a close boarded fence that was 1.8m high.

Members debated the application where they noted that visibility for access and egress from the application site would be limited further by the addition of a fence and did not consider this acceptable. It was considered the impact on the Conservation Area was not sufficient to be included as reason for refusal.

By a unanimous vote

Decision – Refuse Planning Permission for the following reasons:

- Detrimental to highway safety by further limiting visibility along Mill Lane, contrary to Local Plan policy T10

Note: Councillor Jane Storey, having made her representation as the applicant, left the Council Chamber for the consideration and vote on the application

Item 2

Application	3980/15
Proposal	First floor rear extension (improved bathroom facilities) and single storey rear extension (to form garden room). Alterations to attached outbuilding. (All per submitted drawings and documents.)
Site Location	STRADBROKE – Hemsheaf Inn, Queen Street
Applicant	Mr R Passmore

Councillor Julie Flatman, Ward Member, commenting by email said she supported the application.

By a unanimous vote

Decision – Grant Planning Permission subject to the following conditions:

- Standard time limit
- Approved documents
- Details of rainwater goods to be agreed

Item 3

Application	3981/15
Proposal	First floor rear extension (improved bathroom facilities) and single storey rear extension (to form garden room). Alterations to attached outbuilding. Replacement of casement windows to rear elevation with flush-fitting casements. (All per submitted drawings and documents.)
Site Location	STRADBROKE – Hemsheaf Inn, Queen Street
Applicant	Mr R Passmore

Councillor Julie Flatman, Ward Member, commenting by email said she supported the application.

By a unanimous vote

Decision – Grant Listed Building Consent subject to the following conditions:

- Standard time limit
- Details of fenestration
- Approved documents

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Chairman