



ALDEBURGH TOWN COUNCIL

MOOT HALL, MARKET CROSS PLACE
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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday 14th February 2024 in The Moot Hall at 10am

1. **Present:** Cllr Webster took the chair

Committee Members: Cllrs Langley, Jones, Fox and Haworth-Culf

In attendance: The Deputy Town Clerk.

1. **Apologies:** Cllrs Bond, Howard-Dobson and Lumpkin

2. **Declarations of interest**
None

3. **Public Forum**
No members of the public are present.

4. **To consider the following Planning Applications:**

a) **Application No:** DC/24/0193/TCA

Location: 9 Aldeburgh Lodge Gardens Aldeburgh Suffolk IP15 5DP

Proposal: 1no. Group of Sycamore (marked on plan) - Reduce in height by up to 5 metres
1no. Poplar (marked on plan) - Fell

Expiry Date: Thursday 15th February

Aldeburgh Town Council OBJECTS to this application on the following grounds:

- **Black poplar trees Gardner's World:** 'There are around 7,000 black poplars remaining in the UK, the majority of which are male. Despite its rare status, black poplars are not protected by Schedule 8 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, which prohibits picking, uprooting and destruction, or selling and advertising plants for sale.'
- **From Suffolk Wildlife Trust:** 'The black poplar is a large tree of floodplains, flooded gravel pits and ditches, particularly in England. Despite being an important part of our culture for centuries, it has declined massively.'
- **Conservation status - One of Britain's rarest trees.'**
- **From the National Trust:** 'A key for biodiversity – The loss of black poplar from our landscapes would impoverish our landscape and arboricultural history, depleting the UK's tree biodiversity and the creatures that rely on it for their survival'
- **From the Woodland Trust:** Black poplar is the food plant for the caterpillars of many moths, including the hornet, wood leopard, poplar hawk and figure

of eight. The catkins provide an early source of pollen and nectar for bees and other insects, and the seeds are eaten by birds.

- Within a Conservation area
- Sycamores trees are 5m tall and not yet tall enough to be pollarded
- Concerns about future applications for more trees to be removed
- We concur with the comments of objections by residents.

b) **Application No:** DC/24/0210/TCA

Location: Crespigny Cottage Fawcett Road Aldeburgh Suffolk IP15 5HQ

Proposal: 1no. Poplar (marked on plan) - Crown reduce to previous pruning points

Expiry Date: Thursday 15th February

Aldeburgh Town Council SUPPORTS this application subject to:

- Ownership of the tree being established with SCC Highways
- the agreement of the Arboricultural Officer at ESC

c) **Application No:** DC/24/0211/FUL

Location: Moots Crabbe Street Aldeburgh Suffolk IP15 5BW

Proposal: Erection of single storey ground floor extension and roof extension to North range to increase ridge height and permit insulation installation. Application of wall cladding & insulation. Installation of conservation rooflights and sliding mezzanine rooflight. Replacement and refurbished doors & windows. Chimney stack removed and black metal flue installed.

Expiry Date: Wednesday 21st February

Aldeburgh Town Council has SUPPORTS this application.

d) **Application No:** DC/24/0187/FUL

Location: 22 Prevett's Way Aldeburgh Suffolk IP15 5LT

Proposal: Creation of Double Storey Brick South Rear Extension To Terrace Dwelling

Expiry Date: Wednesday 21st February

Aldeburgh Town Council OBJECTS to this application on the following grounds:

- Negative impact on neighbouring properties
- Negative impact on the street scene
- May set precedent

Please check out any covenants that may apply on Church Farm.

5. **To receive and consider any correspondence received.**

None received.

6. To receive, consider and resolve if applicable, any new or existing enforcement activity.

Some activity has been seen at Hut 3 with people coming and going. We are to be vigilant and are concerned about the Easter Period approaching. Mr Marriot has until 31st March to respond to the notice serviced by East Suffolk Council.

ACTION: Town Clerk to contact the relevant department at ECS to express our concerns about trading on East Monday which is 1st April 2024.

Cllr Langley reported that there is an issue on the Church Farm Estate relating to who will be responsible for the insurance policy for the boundary brick walls on the properties.

7. Closure.

10.30am