



EPPING TOWN COUNCIL

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TO ALL MEMBERS of the PLANNING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Cllr N Avey (Chairman)

Cllr C Burgess (Mayor - *ex officio*)

Cllr C McCredie (Deputy Mayor - *ex officio*)

Cllr G Scruton

Cllr R Sharif

Cllr M Wright (Vice Chairman)

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **PLANNING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** to be held in the **Conference Room, Epping Hall, St Johns Road, Epping** on **Tuesday, 14th November 2023** at **7.15pm** for the purpose of transacting the business as set out in the agenda below.

Beverley Rumsey

Town Clerk

8th November 2023

A G E N D A

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies and reasons for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests, along with the nature of those interests, in relation to any item on this agenda.

Cllr C McCredie and Cllr R Sharif have requested an entry be made in the minutes to make it clear that, as a member of both the District and Town 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.

3 DISPENSATIONS

To receive requests for dispensations from members concerning any item of business on this agenda.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th October 2023.

(Attached)

5 PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

To receive any questions or comments relating to planning matters from members of the public present at the meeting, or which have been received in writing in advance of the meeting.

6 NOTICES AND INFORMATION

A notification has been received from Waldon Telecom about a proposed base station upgrade located at Vodafone Tower, Gardeners Farm, Stewards Green Road, Epping, CM16 7PF. Vodafone have identified a requirement for an upgrade to this existing installation to improve network coverage within the surrounding area.

Please find the attached Consultation Letter and Drawings in regard to the proposed alterations to the existing Vodafone site at Vodafone Tower at Gardeners Farm. The company want to consult with Epping Town Council and seek views on their proposal before proceeding with the works. As part of Vodafone's network improvement program, there is a specific requirement for a radio base station upgrade at this location to improve 4G and provide new 5G network coverage in the local area. The proposed upgrade comprises of the removal of 3 no. existing antennas, to be replaced by 3 no. new antennas, internal cabinet works and ancillary works thereto. This option has been chosen as it utilises an existing installation which will improve coverage with minimal changes to the equipment, reducing the visual impact on the surrounding area as far as technically possible. **(Attached)**

Committee is requested to **CONSIDER** this matter and **DECIDE** what response is appropriate.

7 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To consider the following Planning and Tree applications as received from Epping Forest District Council since the date of the previous agenda and up until the date of this agenda:

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| EPF/1986/23 | 3 Griffins Wood Cottages High Road Epping CM16 4DH Mr Lee Jose | Proposed garage and store. |
| EPF/2195/23 | 9 Crossing Road Epping CM16 7BQ Mr Gary Moyler | Proposed two storey side extension, loft conversion and ground floor front extension. |
| EPF/2088/23 | 13 Ravensmere Epping CM16 4PS KMDS Group | New first floor extension and roof, internal reconfiguration and changes to the external elevations. |

8 APPEALS

To consider the following Notices of Appeal as received from Epping Forest District Council since the date of the previous agenda and up until the date of this agenda.

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| EPF/0875/23 | Land adjacent to Ivy Chimneys Ivy Chimneys Road Epping CM16 4DU Mr Phil Knowles | Construction of an L-shaped bungalow on the remaining part site of the original Burleigh House, in Ivy Chimneys, Epping. The proposed bungalow is sited on previously developed land and in a location that has already been granted |
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| | | planning permission for a new building. |
| <p>Decision taken by P&GP Committee - 23rd May 2023</p> <p>Committee OBJECT to this application.</p> <p>While Committee acknowledge the plans with a new design of the proposed dwelling, there is still a lack of information to address the previous objection. Due to lack of information, the Town Council felt unable to support this application without the technical assistance of Planning Officers, Tree Team, and Conservation Officers. Accordingly, the Town Council Committee OBJECT to this application on the basis that it would be appropriate that the issues such as building a dwelling on the Green Belt area; the Tree Preservation Orders for the preservation of the Wellingtonia marked as T9 on the submitted arboricultural report and the finding of archaeological remains on this historic site were properly considered by EFDC Plans East.</p> <p>Epping Town Council confirm they will attend and speak at Plans East to object to this proposal.</p> | | |

Committee is requested to **NOTE** this matter.

9 PLANNING DECISIONS

Committee are requested to **NOTE** no planning decisions have been received from EFDC for this period.