



## PLANNING COMMITTEE

<b>DATE:</b>	<b>Tuesday, 27 September 2022</b>
<b>TIME:</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>VENUE:</b>	<b>Committee Room - Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE</b>

### MEMBERSHIP:

**Councillor White (Chairman)**  
**Councillor Fowler (Vice-Chairman)**  
**Councillor Alexander**  
**Councillor Baker**  
**Councillor Codling**

**Councillor V Guglielmi**  
**Councillor Harris**  
**Councillor Placey**  
**Councillor Wiggins**

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## AGENDA

### **1 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions**

The Committee is asked to note any apologies for absence and substitutions received from Members.

### **2 Minutes of the Last Meeting (Pages 1 - 8)**

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Committee, held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022.

### **3 Declarations of Interest**

Councillors are invited to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Personal Interest, and the nature of it, in relation to any item on the agenda.

### **4 Questions on Notice pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 38**

Subject to providing two working days' notice, a Member of the Committee may ask the Chairman of the Committee a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties which affect the Tendring District **and** which falls within the terms of reference of the Committee.

### **5 A.1 PLANNING APPLICATION 21-02070-FUL LAND ADJACENT TO LAWFORD GRID SUBSTATION, ARDLEIGH ROAD, LITTLE BROMLEY CO11 2QB (Pages 9 - 44)**

Under Part 3 of the Council's Scheme of Delegated Powers, Planning Committee clause (vii) the Assistant Director has taken the decision to refer this application to Members due to the wider public interest and the proposal is the first of its kind in Tendring.

The application relates to a parcel of land abutting the existing Lawford Grid Substation located to the south of Ardleigh Road / Little Bromley Road, Little Bromley. The application seeks full planning permission for the construction and operation of a 50MW Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) and related infrastructure with associated access, landscaping and drainage.

### **6 A.2 PLANNING APPLICATION 22-00820-FUL TREESTACKS FARM, OAKLEY ROAD, WIX CO11 2SF (Pages 45 - 64)**

This application has been referred to Planning Committee at the request of Councillor Bush due to concerns relating to the significant increase to this existing industrial farming facility and the lack of economic benefits to the local economy.

The application is for an additional three buildings to raise broiler chickens. The site is fully operational (as approved under 20/00194/FUL) with an office building and two other buildings for a biomass boiler and straw storage along with a caravan for agricultural workers home (temporary permission given for a 3 year period). The highways access is completed and a significant amount of planting has been undertaken to screen the site from views in the surrounding countryside.

### **7 A.3 PLANNING APPLICATION 21/02176/FUL – LAND AT MOORLANDS FARM, GREAT BENTLEY CO7 8RS (Pages 65 - 92)**

The site is in a rural locality and within the sustainable settlement of Great Bentley and proposes 26 Dwellings similar in design and layout to adjacent development.

## **8 Exclusion of Press and Public**

The Committee is asked to consider passing the following resolution:

“That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A, as amended, of the Act.”

## **9 Exempt Minute of the Meeting held on Thursday 1 September 2022 (Pages 93 - 96)**

To confirm and sign as a correct record the exempt minute of the meeting of the Committee held on Thursday 1 September 2022.

# **INFORMATION FOR VISITORS**

## **PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Welcome to this evening's meeting of Tendring District Council's Planning Committee.

This is an open meeting which members of the public can attend to see Councillors debating and transacting the business of the Council. However, please be aware that, unless you have registered to speak under the Public Speaking Scheme, members of the public are not entitled to make any comment or take part in the meeting. You are also asked to behave in a respectful manner at all times during these meetings.

Members of the public do have the right to film or record Committee meetings subject to the provisions set out below:-

### **Rights of members of the public to film and record meetings**

Under The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, which came into effect on 6 August 2014, any person is permitted to film or record any meeting of the Council, a Committee, Sub-Committee or the Cabinet, unless the public have been excluded from the meeting for the consideration of exempt or confidential business.

Members of the public also have the right to report meetings using social media (including blogging or tweeting).

The Council will provide reasonable facilities to facilitate reporting.

### **Public Behaviour**

Any person exercising the rights set out above must not disrupt proceedings. Examples of what will be regarded as disruptive, include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Moving outside the area designated for the public;
- (2) Making excessive noise;
- (3) Intrusive lighting/flash; or

(4) Asking a Councillor to repeat a statement.

In addition, members of the public or the public gallery should **not** be filmed as this could infringe on an individual's right to privacy, if their prior permission has not been obtained.

Any person considered being disruptive or filming the public will be requested to cease doing so by the Chairman of the meeting and may be asked to leave the meeting. A refusal by the member of the public concerned will lead to the Police being called to intervene.

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## **PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS PUBLIC SPEAKING SCHEME March 2021**

This Public Speaking Scheme is made pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 40 and gives the opportunity for a member of the public and other parties identified below to speak to Tendring District Council's Planning Committee when they are deciding a planning application.

### **TO WHICH MEETINGS DOES THIS SCHEME APPLY?**

Public meeting of the Council's Planning Committee are normally held every 4 weeks at 6.00 pm in the Committee Room at the Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea CO15 1SE.

**WHO CAN SPEAK & TIME PERMITTED?** All speakers must be aged 18 or over:

1. The applicant, his agent or representative; or (where applicable) one person the subject of the potential enforcement action or directly affected by the potential confirmation of a tree preservation order, his agent or representative. A maximum of 3 minutes to speak is allowed;
2. One member of the public who wishes to comment on or to speak in favour of the application or someone who produces a signed, written authority to speak on their behalf. A maximum of 3 minutes to speak is allowed;
3. One member of the public who wishes to comment on or speak against the application or someone who produces a signed, written authority to speak on their behalf. A maximum of 3 minutes to speak is allowed;
4. Where the proposed development is in the area of a Parish or Town Council, one Parish or Town Council representative. A maximum of 3 minutes to speak is allowed;

5. All District Councillors for the ward where the development is situated (“ward member”) or (if the ward member is unable to attend the meeting) a District Councillor appointed in writing by the ward member. Member(s) of adjacent wards or wards impacted by the proposed development may also speak with the agreement of the Chairman. Permission for District Councillors to speak is subject to the Council’s Code of Conduct and the declarations of interest provisions will apply. A maximum of 5 minutes to speak is allowed;

In accordance, with Council Procedure Rule 36.1, this Public Speaking Scheme takes precedence and no other Member shall be entitled to address or speak to the Planning Committee under Rule 36.1; and

6. A member of the Council’s Cabinet may also be permitted to speak on any application but only if the proposed development has a direct impact on the portfolio for which the Cabinet member is responsible. The Leader of the Council must approve the Cabinet Member making representations to the Planning Committee. A maximum of 3 minutes is allowed.

Any one speaking as a Parish/Town Council representative may be requested to produce written evidence of their authority to do so, by the District Council’s Committee Services Officer (CSO). This evidence may be an official Minute, copy of standing orders (or equivalent) or a signed letter from the Clerk to the Parish/Town Council and must be shown to the DSO before the beginning of the Planning Committee meeting concerned.

No speaker, (with the exception of Ward Members, who are limited to 5 minutes) may speak for more than 3 minutes on any agenda items associated with applications (such as a planning application and an associated listed building consent application). Speakers may not be questioned at the meeting, nor can any public speaker question other speakers, Councillors or Officers. Speakers are not permitted to introduce any photograph, drawing or written material, including slide or other presentations, as part of their public speaking.

All Committee meetings of Tendring District Council are chaired by the Chairman or, in their absence, the Vice-Chairman whose responsibility is to preside over meetings of the Council so that its business can be carried out efficiently and with regard to the rights of Councillors and the interests of the community. The Chairman of the Planning Committee therefore, has authority to use their discretion when applying the Public Speaking Scheme to comply with this duty.

## **WHICH MATTERS ARE COVERED BY THIS SCHEME?**

Applications for planning permission, reserved matters approval, listed building consent, conservation area consent, advertisement consent, hazardous substances consent, proposed or potential enforcement action and the proposed or potential confirmation of any tree preservation order, where these are the subject of public reports to the Planning Committee meeting.

## **HOW CAN I FIND OUT WHEN A MATTER WILL BE CONSIDERED?**

In addition to the publication of agendas with written reports, the dates and times of the Planning Committee meetings are shown on the Council’s website. It should be noted that some applications may be withdrawn by the applicant at short notice and others may be deferred because of new information or for procedural reasons. This means that deferral

takes place shortly before or during the Planning Committee meeting and you will not be able to speak at that meeting, but will be able to do so at the meeting when the application is next considered by the Planning Committee.

### **DO I HAVE TO ATTEND THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING TO MAKE THE COMMITTEE AWARE OF MY VIEWS?**

No. If you have made written representations, their substance will be taken into account and the Committee report, which is available to all Planning Committee Councillors, will contain a summary of the representations received.

### **HOW DO I ARRANGE TO SPEAK AT THE MEETING?**

You can:-

Telephone the Committee Services Officer ("CSO") (01255 686007) during normal working hours on any weekday after the reports and agenda have been published; or

Email: [democraticservices@tendringdc.gov.uk](mailto:democraticservices@tendringdc.gov.uk)

### **OR**

On the day of the Planning Committee meeting, you can arrive in the Committee Room in the Town Hall at least 15 minutes before the beginning of the meeting (meetings normally begin at 6.00pm) and speak to the CSO.

If more than one person wants to speak who is eligible under a particular category (e.g. a member of the public within the description set out in numbered paragraphs 2 or 3 above), the right to speak under that category will be on a "first come, first served" basis.

Indicating to the Chairman at a site visit that you wish to speak on an item is **NOT** formal notification or registration to speak; this must be made via the Committee Services Officer in the manner set out above.

### **WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN THE MATTER CONCERNED IS CONSIDERED?**

- Planning Officer presents officer report
- Public speaking takes place in the order set out above under the heading "WHO CAN SPEAK?"
- Officer(s) may respond on factual issues arising from public speaking and may sum up the key policies and material planning considerations relevant to the application
- Committee Members may ask Officers relevant questions and will debate, move motions and vote

Normally, the Committee will determine the matter, but sometimes the Councillors will decide to defer determination, in order to allow officers to seek further information about a particular planning issue. If a matter is deferred after the public speaking, the Committee will not hear public speaking for a second time, unless there has been a substantial material change in the application which requires representations to be made. The Executive Summary section of the Planning Committee Report should identify whether public speaking is going to be permitted on an application being reconsidered after deferral. If there is an update since the Report was published, the Council's website will confirm this information.

## **WHAT SHOULD I SAY AT THE MEETING?**

Please be straightforward and concise and try to keep your comments to planning matters which are directly relevant to the application or matter concerned. Planning matters may include things such as planning policy, previous decisions of the Council on the same site or in similar circumstances, design, appearance, layout, effects on amenity, overlooking, loss of light, overshadowing, loss of privacy, noise or smell nuisance, impact on trees, listed buildings or highway safety.

Matters such as the following are not relevant planning matters, namely the effect of the development on property value(s), loss of view, personality or motive of the applicant, covenants, private rights or easements and boundary or access disputes.

Please be courteous and do not make personal remarks. You may wish to come to the meeting with a written statement of exactly what you want to say or read out, having checked beforehand that it will not overrun the 3 minutes allowed.

## **WHO DO I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION?**

The Council's website will help you and you can also contact the relevant planning Case Officer for the matter. The name of the Officer is on the acknowledgement of the application or in the correspondence we have sent you.

Tendring District Council, Planning Services,  
Town Hall, Station Road, CLACTON-ON-SEA, Essex CO15 1SE  
Tel: 01255 686161 Fax: 01255 686417  
Email: [planningservices@tendringdc.gov.uk](mailto:planningservices@tendringdc.gov.uk) Web: [www.tendringdc.gov.uk](http://www.tendringdc.gov.uk)

It always helps to save time if you can quote the planning application reference number.

**As approved at the meeting of the Full Council held on 16 March 2021**