



# Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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**Chair:** Cllr Bernard Arscott | **Vice Chair:** Cllr Carole Mulroney

**Town Clerk:** Clare Milligan



Minutes of the Planning, Licensing and Environment Committee meeting.  
The Committee met at 7.30pm on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025 in Room 8, Leigh Community Centre, 71-73 Elm Road, Leigh-On-Sea, Essex, SS9 1SP.

Chair – Councillor P Gilson.

Present: Councillors Dr D Bowry, J Garston, P Barber and O Richards.

In attendance: Planning Officer - Joe May, Cllr C Mulroney and 1 member of the public.

## **027/25. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and agreed for Cllr A Hart. Proposed by Cllr Dr D Bowry, seconded by Cllr P Barber and agreed unanimously.

## **028/25. Declarations of Members' Interests**

Cllr C Mulroney declared a non-pecuniary interest as a City Councillor on Southend City Council's Development Control Committee.

Cllr J Garston declared a non-pecuniary interest, as a close family member is a Southend City Councillor.

There were no other declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests or Registrable Non-Pecuniary Interests.

## **029/25. Public Participation**

The member of the public spoke about how pleased she was that the environment was on the agenda.

## **030/25. Minutes**

The minutes of the Planning, Licensing and Environment Committee meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025 were re-received and agreed and signed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr P Gilson, seconded by Cllr Dr D Bowry and agreed unanimously.

The minutes of the Planning, Licensing and Environment Committee meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025 were agreed and signed as true record. Proposed by Cllr P Gilson, seconded by Cllr J Garston and agreed unanimously.

The minutes of the Planning, Licensing and Environment Committee meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025 were agreed and signed as true record. Proposed by Cllr P Gilson, seconded by Cllr Dr D Bowry.

## **031/25. Planning Applications**

The following planning applications were considered and decided upon by the committee:

### **a) 25/00193/AMDT – 21 High Cliff Drive, Leigh-on-Sea SS9 1DQ.**

Application to vary conditions 02 (Approved plans) reduce plan number 2320-TP-01-A with plan number 2321-TP01-A – changed pitched roof dormer to flat roof dormer (Material amendment of planning permission 24/00147/FULH dated 08/04/2024).

**Resolved** the Council had no objection to this application.

**b) 25/00168/FUL – 90 Grange Road, Leigh-on-Sea SS9 2HT.**

Erect single storey rear extension, erect single storey granny annex to rear for ancillary use to the main dwelling.

**Resolved** the Council object to this application due to overdevelopment. The council also noted the loss of green space and three mature trees.

**c) 25/00186/CLP – 39 Grange Road, Leigh-on-Sea SS9 2HT.**

Hip to gable loft conversion with rear dormer, Juliet balcony and front rooflights, demolish rear chimney stack and alterations to front chimney stack (Certificate of Lawful Development – Proposed).

**Resolved** the Council had no objection to this application.

**d) 24/00228/NON – Flat 1, 94 Elm Road, Leigh-on-Sea SS9 1SJ.**

Change wall from render to brickwork (Non-material amendment to planning permission 24/00732/FUL dated 17/07/2024).

**Resolved** the Council had no objection to this application.

**032/25. Essex Air Quality Strategy**

Cllr Richards led the item by speaking about if and how Leigh-on-Sea Town Council should be responding to these sorts of consultations and how he thinks the Council should be supporting these. Cllr Richards also spoke of the public awareness campaigns that Leigh-on-Sea Town Council could be doing to be promoting cleaner air and asked the committee if we should be responding to this consultation in particular, as the consultation ends on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

Cllr C Mulroney spoke in support of the idea that we should respond to this consultation and that Southend City Council has a public awareness campaign called “Cough, Cough, Engine Off” as well as emission monitors outside of schools.

Cllr P Gilson noted that passing ships in the Thames was a bigger polluter of the air than Southend Airport.

Cllr P Barber noted that Leigh-on-Sea is under the pollutant limit.

Cllr J Garston also noted that in the document, Leigh-on-Sea is mentioned very little.

The member of the public also spoke of how much of a positive the new bus routes through Leigh-on-Sea will be, to give people another method of public transport to reduce car emissions.

**Cllr Richards spoke of how he would be happy to respond to the consultation questionnaire on behalf of the committee based off the comments and issues made at this meeting.**

**Resolved: This was Proposed by Cllr P Gilson, seconded by Cllr P Barber and agreed unanimously.**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.13pm.