MINUTES

PLANNING COMMITTEE held at THAXTED GUILDHALL on THURSDAY 19TH APRIL 2018 AT 7:00pm

PRESENT: Cllr. V. Knight, (Chairman) Cllr. T. Frostick (Vice Chairman), Cllr. W Brazier, Cllr. A. Wattebot, Cllr I Stewart, Cllr A Howells, Cllr A Frater. Cllr R Williams arrived 19:05

Also Present: Clerk, Dena Ludford & 2 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Jon Spencer Cllr David Morgan

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Cllr A. Wattebott disclosed a Non pecuniary interest in item UTT/18/0902/FUL & Cllr Knight wishes to state that she is not declaring an interest in any of the cuttlers green applications by virtue of the fact that the applicants are not known to Cllr knight.

3. PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS

None received

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To agree the Council's observations on the following applications:

I. APPLICATION NO. UTT/18/0763/HHF

PROPOSAL: Erection of first floor side extension **LOCATION:** 25 Weaverhead Close Thaxted

RESOLVED to **SUPPORT**

II. APPLICATION NO. UTT/18/0888/HHF

PROPOSAL: Single storey rear extension and new windows to side elevation

LOCATION: Lavengro Bardfield End Green

RESOLVED to **SUPPORT**

III. APPLICATION NO. UTT/18/0851/FUL

PROPOSAL: Construction of 1 no. dwelling complete with related works

LOCATION: Land East Of Bluebell Cottage Cutlers Green

RESOLVED to **SUPPORT**

IV. APPLICATION NO. UTT/18/0852/FUL

PROPOSAL: Demolition of existing out building and construction of 2 no. semi-detached

dwellings and erection of cart lodge **LOCATION**: Jareth Cutlers Green

RESOLVED to **SUPPORT** with the following conditions:

It is Thaxted Parish Councils suggestion that the applicant move plot 1 & 2 further towards the cart lodge to avoid effecting the immediate neighbours ameniaty.

V. APPLICATION NO. UTT/18/0902/FUL

PROPOSAL: Proposed extension and remodeling of existing office unit

LOCATION: Armigers Farm Stanbrook Road

RESOLVED to **SUPPORT**

Thaxted Parish Council are happy to support local business & enterprise.

VI. APPLICATION NO. UTT/18/0460/FUL

PROPOSAL: Airfield works comprising two new taxiway links to the existing runway (a Rapid Access Taxiway and a Rapid Exit Taxiway), six additional remote aircraft stands adjacent Yankee taxiway); and three additional aircraft stands (extension of the Echo Apron) to enable combined airfield operations of 274,000 aircraft movements and a throughput of 43 million terminal passengers, in a 12-month calendar period.

LOCATION: Stansted Airport

Thaxted Parish Coundil wish to support Cllr Martin Foley comments which in summary are:

There are concern from residents and some councillors that the application to expand Stansted Airport is being rushed through.

Stansted Airport/Manchester Airports Group, are seeking to build extra taxiways and aircraft stands and to increase the passenger throughput at Stansted to **43 million** passengers per annum (mppa). By comparison, Stansted handled **25.9** mppa last year. They have already authority to go to 35million.

If the application were approved, it would mean a 66% increase in passengers and bigger planes - more noise, more pollution for Thaxted.

There is call that the Stansted Airport Expansion plans should be determined nationally rather than locally. Main adverse impacts of increased aircraft movement will be in relation to noise, local air quality and CO2 emissions

- Main impacts of increased passengers will be in relation to road traffic congestion and knock-on effects on air quality Proposed development is clearly a "Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project under s.23(5) of Planning Act, 2008".
- Implications of development extend well beyond Uttlesford noise, traffic, CO2 emissions, economic, employment etc.
- Concerns about UDC resources/competence to determine this application the largest since G1 in such a rush.
- Concerns about lack of transparency, prematurity, lack of engagement, limited opportunity for proper scrutiny.
- Concern that the application is viewed as a 'done deal'
- SSE's evidence for the above is set out letter to Secretary of State available in full on SSE website

Meeting closed 19:24.