

**Minutes of the PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**held on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 7.15pm**  
**in the Committee Room, Freight House, Bradley Way, Rochford**

**Present:** Cllr Mrs M Weir (Chairman), Cllr V Leach, Cllr R Patient, Cllr D Weir, Cllr Mrs P Young and the Clerk.

*Standing Order 6n. Resolution `that in view of the new Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations made on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2014 SO 6n (Photographing, recording, broadcasting or transmitting the proceedings of a meeting by any means is not permitted without the Council's prior written consent) be suspended`.*

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr J Tutton (holiday).
2. **Declarations of any:**
  - a. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interest;**
  - b. **Other Pecuniary Interest; or**
  - c. **Non-Pecuniary Interest****on any matter on the agenda for 15<sup>th</sup> September 2014:** None were declared.
3. **Public Forum:** None present.
4. **Approve Minutes of Planning Committee held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2014:**  
The minutes were approved.
5. **Planning Applications:**

**Responsibility: Committee**

Application No: 14/00617/FUL. Redevelopment of 177 Main Road Hawkwell and land to the rear of 179-185 Main Road with: 1 4 Bedroomed Detached Chalet with Detached Garage, 2 3 Bedroom Bungalows with linked internal garages and 2 3 Bedroom Detached Bungalows with stand-alone semi-detached Garages all accessed from a new minor access road.

The Committee objected to this application on the following grounds:

- **Overdevelopment of the site:**
  - It was considered that the proposal for a further four new bungalows in back garden plots was excessive in this residential area;
  - Back gardens were no longer classified as brownfield sites.
- **Highway concerns:**
  - Potential for at least another 8 cars exiting the new access drive onto the Main Road near to a dangerous bend.
- **Negative impact on neighbouring properties:**
  - Increase in noise and pollution to surrounding back gardens;
  - Loss of privacy.

The meeting closed at 7.25pm.

Chairman