

Report from Borough Councillor John Jowers.

Firs Road road works do not include new drainage.

The Strood has been resurfaced.

East Road is not fit for purpose. Approximately 20 years ago the road splay from Seaview Avenue on to East Road was increased to facilitate the development of the caravan park.

Coast Road - Until 7 years ago the Planning Authority could determine what happened to mean low water springs. When the Marine Management Organisation was created it gave them authority to the high water mark. Marine Management Organisation have been asked where their remit lays in respect of this area and have been asked to visit.

Maldon and Mersea should arrange a meeting to oppose the building of a new power station.

The West Mersea Civic Amenity site must not be closed.

Home to School travel has been discussed recently as children from Mersea were sent to Thurstable because Thomas Lord Audley was closing and now their free transport is being withdrawn.

Colchester Draft Local Plan meeting with 6 top planning officers, cabinet member and his deputy and all Colchester County Council were invited but only Borough Councillors Jowers attended. Concerns were raised over employment for all the housing.

Middlewick development – if this land and the MCTC are developed we must have a southern relief road.

West Mersea Town Council must submit a response to the Colchester Borough Council Draft Local Plan by 11 August 2017

6514 PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

(a) 17 1803

Removal of roof to single storey dwelling. Construction of first floor and roof and internal alterations. Resubmission of 16 1703.

8 Beach Road, West Mersea – Mr M Matthews

Following discussion it was agreed to recommend refusal as the proposal does not meet the good design per NPPF.

Councillor Bragg abstained.

(b) 17 1702

Single storey extension and associated works.

94 Coast Road, West Mersea – Mr & Mrs Ewart-James

Following discussion it was agreed to recommend consent be granted in respect of this application.

(c) 17 1843

Erection of 2no detached replacement dwellings, existing dwelling no 94 and static mobile home, no 96 to be removed. Amended design to that approved 17 0880.

94 Fairhaven Avenue, West Mersea – Ms S Wall

Following discussion it was agreed to recommend consent be granted in respect of this application.

(d) 17 1774

One detached dwelling house.

Land adjacent to 19 Kingsmere Close, West Mersea – The Incidental Land Company

Following discussion it was agreed to recommend refusal on the grounds that it has been used as an open space for more than 27 years.

(e) 17 1667

Single storey extension to front room.

19 Grove Avenue, West Mersea – Mr L Pearson

Following discussion it was agreed to recommend consent be granted in respect of this application.

(f) 17 0819

Revisions to planning permission 16 0426. Proposed alterations to all facades and minor internal alterations.

46 St Peters Road, West Mersea – Mr T Cooke

WMTC unable to comment.

(g) 17 1872

Construction of a flat roofed garage/garden room to the side.

Hove Creek, 82 Coast Road, West Mersea – Mr D Lennan

Following discussion it was agreed to recommend refusal on grounds of lack of separation between the two buildings (only 75mm).

6515 NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED

Applications Passed

(a) 17 1109

Proposed demolition of existing bungalow and new replacement two storey residential dwelling.

Resubmission of 16 0159.

30 Victory Road, West Mersea – Mr S Priestly

WMTC Recommendation: Following discussion it was agreed to recommend refusal on the following grounds:

- Out of keeping with the street scene.
- Overpowering for the plot.

(b) 17 1294

Application for removal or variation of condition 3 following grant of planning permission 16 2904.

11 Fairhaven Avenue, West Mersea – Mr & Mrs Farmer

(c) 17 1475

Erection of a single storey flat roof rear extension.

84 Empress Avenue, West Mersea – Mr R Shaw

Application Refused

(a) 17 1143

Demolition of existing dwelling, outbuilding and garage and erection of replacement dwelling.

12 Kingsland Beach, West Mersea – Mr D King

WMTC Recommendation: Following discussion it was agreed to recommend consent be granted in respect of this application.

6516 TO NOTE THE CURRENT FINANCIAL POSITION

The Clerk provided a bank reconciliation to 30 June 2017 and confirmed that the new accounting package is working well and will be able to provide costs per committee budget.

6517 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE REQUEST TO DONATE OR SELL THE HALF PIPE IN WEST MERSEA PARK

Following discussion it was agreed to get estimates to repair the Half Pipe.

6518 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE BUDGET FOR THE MAYOR'S CIVIC RECEPTION

Following discussion it was agreed that the cost of the Civic is within the estimated budget and the caterer can be arranged.

6519 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE TO RENEW THE RCCE MEMBERSHIP AT A COST OF £115.50 + VAT

Following discussion it was agreed to renew the membership to the RCCE.

6520 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE A REQUEST FOR A DONATION FROM BEACH CLUB

Following discussion it was agreed that a donation of £100 is made to Mersea Beach Club (in accordance with its powers under S.137 of the Local Government Act 1972)

6521 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE A RESPONSE TO THE EMAIL REGARDING THE CIVIC AMENITY SITE IN UPLAND ROAD

Following discussion it was agreed further research is needed in to user rights and the lease before a decision or response can be made.

6522 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE PROPOSED FLOOR BARRIER FOR THE LANE

Following discussion it was agreed that West Mersea Town Council become the responsible authority for the temporary floodgate barrier near The Lane.

6523 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE A RESPONSE TO THE ENGLAND COAST PATH REPORT

Following discussion it was agreed that West Mersea Town Council do not have any representations to report in respect of the Coastal Access Final Report for West Mersea.

6524 MAYOR'S NOTES

Councillor Powling did not have any comments to make.

Councillor Clements queried the necessity for the rules and regulations at Feldy View Cemetery.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.45pm.