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Martham Parish Council News

Elmside House to be Demolished

A campaign by Martham villagers and local Councils to retain Elmside House in White Street has failed after a Government planning inspector gave the go-ahead for Gladedale (Anglia) Ltd to demolish the historic house.

Martham Parish Council and Great Yarmouth Borough Council did all it could to support the case for keeping the early 19th century house which is one of the last remaining examples built from locally made Martham red bricks but the inspector's decision will see it disappear from the conservation area.

The ruling by planning inspectorate inspector, Mike Moore, allowed an appeal by Gladedale (Anglia) Ltd against Great Yarmouth Borough Council's refusal of planning permission to demolish the house. Allowing the building developers appeal means Elmside House will be demolished to make way for a terrace of eleven cottage-style homes fronting White Street with parking to their rear.

Mike Huke, chairman of the Parish Council said, "The Parish Council is surprised and deeply disappointed about this decision especially as the Council had suggested a compromise to the developers that would have seen the house converted into affordable flats suitable for local people at a reasonable price. In his report the Planning Inspector fails to mention this alternative proposal."

Policing the Village

Peter Williamson has taken over as the Police Constable Support Officer (PCSO) for Martham from Meri Blunsden who has joined the Force as a full Police Constable. Mr Williamson has been carrying out similar PCSO duties for the past two years in Rollesby, Fleggburgh and Repps so he knows the area well. Watch out for him around the village as he is our local representative for law and order.

Planning Applications

Recent planning applications made to the Borough Council include:

- Change of use from farm building at Clarkes Farm, Staithe Road to breeding of mice and rats for the pet industry.
- Proposed erection of a brick and timber garden wall at 1 Sidney Close.

Recent Planning applications granted by the Borough Council include:

- Swimming pool building at 47 The Green.
- Two storey extension to the rear of 34 Black Street.

Details of other Planning applications etc can be seen on the notice board beside the Post Office.

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