

Planning Advisory Group Report to Walberswick Parish Council

20 February 2023

Ref: Southwold Conservation Area Consultation (ends 15 March 2023)

Summary

East Suffolk Council has published its proposals for, and invited comments on, plans:

(a) to extend the existing Southwold Conservation Area in six places and, in addition, to merge it with the northern part of the Southwold Harbour and Walberswick Quay Conservation Area.

(b) to continue with the southern section of the Southwold Harbour and Walberswick Quay Conservation Area remaining independent of the Southwold Conservation Area (due to the distinction between the two shores) and instead amalgamate it with the Walberswick Conservation Area (due to its close proximity and shared character).

Comments

PAG has no comments on item (a).

However with regard to item (b) although this proposal is, in the main a political matter, PAG would like to point out that

- (1) There is an Article 4 agreement in place for the Southwold Harbour and Walberswick Quay CA, but not for the Walberswick CA.
- (2) The Southwold Neighbourhood Plan properly includes the Southwold Harbour and Walberswick Quay CA, as this area is part of the parish of Southwold.

One of the PAG members declared an interest and took no part in this report.