

Sandy Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee of Sandy Town Council which was held in the Council Chamber at 10, Cambridge Road, Sandy, Bedfordshire on Monday 7 January 2019 commencing at 6.45pm

Present: Cllrs N Aldis, P Blaine, A Gibson, W Jackson, T Knagg, P Sharman (Chair), S Sutton and N Thompson

Absent: Cllrs G Leach and M Pettitt

In attendance: Cllr T Cole and Anne Elliott-Flockhart (Administrator)

1 Apologies (64-2018/19)

Apologies had been received from Cllrs G Leach and M Pettitt

2 Declarations of interest (65-2018/19)

i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - none

ii) Other Interests – none

3 Planning Applications (66-2018/19)

The following applications submitted for comment by Central Bedfordshire Council were reviewed and comments agreed.

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| 20.12.18 | CB/18/04519/FULL Mr & Mrs Amphlett 52 St Neots Road Sandy SG19 1LG | Two storey rear extension, single storey side extension and replace pebble dash with render at 52 St Neots Road, Sandy, SG19 1LG. Resolved: to make no objection to this application. |
| 20.12.18 | CB/18/04562/ FULL Mrs M Allberrey 36 Longfield Road Sandy SG19 1LJ | Single storey rear extension at 36 Longfield Road, Sandy, SG19 1LJ. Resolved: to make no objection to this application. |

4 Late Planning Applications (67-2018/19)

There were none.

5 Minutes of previous meeting (68-2018/19)

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 17 December 2018 as a correct record of proceedings.

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6 Items for Information (69-2018/19)

Members noted that application CB/18/01674/OUT for land north of Sunderland Road, that had been refused by Central Bedfordshire Council has been appealed by the applicant. Members asked how the appeal process worked and if Council would get to make representations, the decision makers should be made aware of Sandy's Community plan. The Administrator will investigate and report back. Members also wished for this to be reported at the next Town Council meeting.

A member asked if there had been any updates regarding the enforcement case at land adjacent to the train station. The Administrator reported that there hadn't been any updates but she would chase this up.

A member gave an update from CBC on the Beamish Close enforcement case. There are a number of issues that are currently the subject of investigation. These are as follows:

- The current use of the site within an established employment area by a plant hire business that requires minimal built development when it was anticipated the site would be developed for a number of industrial units with associated car parking and servicing facilities.
- The current use of a mobile home within the site for overnight sleeping accommodation.
- The noise disturbance from plant and equipment installed on the site.

In view of the above the investigation is being dealt with in close liaison with colleagues in Public Protection and Planning Delivery and is on-going. Concern regarding the residential use is being taken into account in association with the current use of the whole site. The present objective is to minimise the disturbance to the neighbouring residents and for the current site occupier to submit a planning application so that various aspects of the use can be suitably controlled. However, the present stance taken by the occupier's solicitors is that this is not necessary because their use is not outside the terms of the outline planning permission granted.