

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 15 October 2018 commencing at 6.45pm

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

Absent: Cllrs G Leach, M Pettitt and N Thompson.

In attendance: One member of the public. Anne Elliott-Flockhart (Administrator).

1 Apologies (39-2018/19)

Apologies had been received by Cllrs G Leach, M Pettitt and N Thompson.

2 Declarations of interest (40-2018/19)

i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - none

ii) Other Interests – none

3 Planning Applications (41-2018/19)

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

19.09.18	CB/18/03351/ FULL Mr M Little 15 Swanbourne Close Biggleswade SG18 8EN	Erection of a two storey dwelling to add an En-suite at 1 Brickhill Road, Sandy, SG19 1JH. Resolved: to make no objection to this application.
21.09.18	CB/18/03403/ FULL Mr & Mrs Mapletoft 21 The Avenue Sandy SG19 1ER	Proposed first floor front extension (over existing garage/porch), single storey rear extension and partial garage conversion at 21 The Avenue, Sandy, SG19 1ER. Resolved: to make no objection to this application.
24.09.18	CB/TCA/18/ 00349 Ms J Cushion 97 Green Gables High Street SGG19 1AL	Works to trees within a Conservation Area: various works to be completed at 97 High Street, Sandy, SG19 1AL. Resolved: to make no objection to this application.

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27.09.18	CB/18/03463/ FULL Mr G Houghton Beaumont Properties Ltd The Cottage 7 Rads End Eversholt MK17 9ED	Proposed residential development of 5 new dwelling at 27a Kings Road, Sandy, SG19 1EJ. Resolved: to make no objection to this application.
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4 Late Planning Applications (42-2018/19)

There were none.

5 Minutes of previous meeting (43-2018/19)

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 24 September 2018 as a correct record of proceedings.

6 Items for Information (44-2018/19)

Members noted that application CB/17/01326/OUT for Tower Hill, New Road, Sandy has been granted although it was also noted that there were a lot of conditions attached.

Members noted that application CB/18/02744/OUT for 18 The Grange, Beeston had been granted. Members had objected to this application regarding concerns about access and vision splays. Members noted that there was no mention of STC ownership of The Green in the decision notice and felt that Town Council should write to the applicant and inform them that permission from Sandy Town Council will be required before any works take place.

Members noted that application CB/18/02439/FULL for Grange Nurseries, Beeston was not discussed at Central Bedfordshire Council's Development Management Committee on 10 October as the applicant requested that it be deferred until they had a chance to consider the officers recommendations. It may go to the November committee.

Members had asked that application CB/18/02919/FULL for Grange Nurseries be dealt with at the same time, CBC responded that this application constitutes a minor development which are not normally considered by the planning committee unless ward members call the application in within 21 days of receipt of the application, which had not been done.

Members noted the following enforcement notices:

1. Unit 3 Beamish Close, Sandy for non compliance with planning condition CB/16/05791/OUT, CB/18/00321/RM. CBC believe a new planning application is required and have conveyed this to the owners and agents and are awaiting their response.

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2. 5 Coopers Close, Sandy for alleged change of use of a dwelling to business use. CBC reported that a building has been erected on the adjacent agricultural land which requires a change of use planning application for the business.
3. 4 High Road, Beeston for alleged unauthorized development. CBC are still investigating the matter and have contacted the owner. Highways England are also involved.

A member reported that he had been asked about the development in the Market Square as the builders are taking up quite a few parking bays. Members requested that the Administrator find out how many bays they have permission to use. It was noted that the Market Square is being used for the WW1 A Nations Tribute event on 11 November and will also be used for the Christmas Lights on 2 December. Another member noted that the sheer amount of nails everywhere around this site and that the builders should be reminded to keep the site clean.