

Sandy Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee of Sandy Town Council which was held virtually via Zoom on Monday 28 June 2021 commencing at 6.45pm

Present: Cllrs P Blaine, A Gibson, J Hewitt, W Jackson, T Knagg, S Paterson M Pettitt and P Sharman (Chair).

Absent: Cllrs S Sutton and N Thompson.

In attendance: Cllrs N Aldis and M Hill. Anne Elliott-Flockhart (Administrator).

1 Apologies (14-2021/22)

Apologies had been received from Cllr Sutton.

2 Declarations of interest (15-2021/22)

i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - none

ii) Other Interests – Cllr Hewitt declared an interest in application CB/21/01827/FULL, Land at Hazells Hall, as the applicant and accordingly would take no part in the discussion or vote on the item.

3 Planning Applications (16-2021/22)

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

08.06.21	CB/TCA/21/ 00256 20 Bedford Road Sandy SG19 1EL	Works to trees in a Conservation Area: Remove Yew Tree, re-shape Cherry Tree canopy by 3m and reduce Beech hedge to 2m at 20 Bedford Road, Sandy. Resolved: to make no objections to this application.
09.06.21	CB/21/02521/ FULL 174b St Neots Road Sandy SG19 1BU	Proposed ground floor rear extension, internal alterations to create a second bedroom and addition of one car parking space at 174b St Neots Road. Resolved: Whilst members do not object to the extension, they do have concerns regarding the parking. The car parking spaces shown on this application are not consistent with the spaces shown in 2015 when the houses were built. Members ask that the parking be scrutinised to ensure that it will not lead to parking on St Neots Road.

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09.06.21	CB/21/01827/ FULL Land at Hazells Hall, Everton Road Sandy SG19 2DD	Removal of wooden post and rail fence and 3 x wooden gates, replacement with metal estate fencing and gates x 3 at Land at Hazells Hall, Everton Road, Sandy. Resolved: to make no objections to this application
14.06.21	CB/21/02565/ FULL 6 Avocet Close Sandy SG19 2TD	Single storey rear extension at 6 Avocet Close, Sandy. Resolved: to make no objections to this application
10.06.21	CB/21/01554/ FULL 76 St Neots Road Sandy SG19 1LG	Extension/alteration of existing dwelling. Creation of No.5 further dwellings with associated new access road, landscaping and parking at 76 St Neots Road, Sandy. Resolved: Members make no objection to this application but were disappointed that there was no plan to refurbish the onion barn.

4 Late Planning Applications (17-2021/22)

There were none.

5 Minutes of previous meeting (18-2021/22)

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 7 June 2021 as a correct record of proceedings.

6 Items for Information (19-2021/22)

Members noted the following decisions from Central Bedfordshire Council.

- a) CB/21/00871/LDCE – Lawful Development Certificate Existing for change of use for warehouse and storage use Class B8, at Deepdale Lodge Barn, Deepdale. Members discussed this application at a meeting of Development Scrutiny on 30 March 2021 and resolved to make no objections. CBC refused the application on the grounds that there was insufficient evidence provided to show that the barn had been used continuously for a period of 10 years.
- b) CB/21/01551/FULL – Erection of a two-storey new dwelling at land adjacent to 85 Western Way, Sandy. Members discussed this application at a meeting of Development Scrutiny on 26 June 2021 and resolved to object to it. CBC has refused this application on the grounds of loss of amenity area, overbearing impact and will lead to an increase of on street parking.