

# 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 5 September 2022 commencing at 7pm

**Present:** Cllr P Blaine, J Hewitt, J Ivanciu-Wilkinson, L Ivanciu-Wilkinson, M Pettitt and P Sharman (Chair).

**Absent:** Cllrs S Sutton and N Thompson.

**In attendance:** Cllr N Aldis, Anne Elliott-Flockhart (Administrator) and one member of the public.

### 1 Apologies (27-2022/23)

Apologies had been received from Cllr Sutton.

### 2 Declarations of interest (28-2022/23)

- i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - none
- ii) Other Interests – none

### 3 Planning Applications (29-2022/23)

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

CB/22/03157/ FULL 13 Mill Lane Sandy SG19 1NH	Single storey rear extension, conversion of garage and remodelled front porch.  <b>Resolved:</b> to make no objection to this application.
CB/22/03219/ FULL 156 St Neots Road Sandy SG19 1BS	Front porch and single storey rear extension.  <b>Resolved:</b> to make no comment on this application as the applicant is a member of Sandy Town Council.
CB/22/03196/ FULL 20 All Saints Way Sandy SG19 1DY	Proposed front porch extension and roof replacement.  <b>Resolved:</b> to make no objection to this application.

### 4 Late Planning Applications (30-2022/23)

There were none.

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## 5 Minutes of previous meeting (31-2022/23)

**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 15 August 2022 as a correct record of proceedings.

## 6 Items for Information (32-2022/23)

Members noted the following decisions from Central Bedfordshire Council:

- a) CB/22/02415/OUT – A1 Boarding Kennels for three new dwellings. Members discussed this application at a meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee on 25 July 2022 and resolved to make no objections. CBC refused this application on the grounds of a cramped layout; it fails to provide a high-quality design and there is insufficient information about the watercourse.
- b) CB/22/01970/FULL – 71 Swansholme Gardens for part single and part two storey rear extension and garage conversion. Members discussed this application at a meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee on 13 June 2022 and resolved to object to it on the grounds of insufficient parking and the impact on near neighbours. CBC granted this application.
- c) CB/21/04067/FULL – 6 Bedford Road for creation of 19 flats. Members discussed this application at a meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee on 11 October 2021 and resolved to make no objections but had concerns regarding the number of parking spaces and the lack of visitors parking. CBC have granted this application with conditions. The Administrator will circulate the decision notice for members information.

Members made reference to the recent car parking consultation that had been circulated by CBC and how it would not appear to agree with CBC's decision to approve flats on the High Street above China Express which have no parking facilities.

Members also noted that the appeal for CB/20/03257/FULL – land to rear of 9b High Road, Seddington has been dismissed. This means that the decision of CBC to refuse the building has been upheld and the appeal was unsuccessful. The next steps should be for the applicant to remove the barn and restore the land to its previous condition.

A member asked what was happening with the land opposite Tesco as currently the site is being used for storage for the Cadent works. Another member noted that this was initially a private scheme which was withdrawn, amended and re-submitted. CBC are now the applicants. Another member noted that the delay in starting work could be to do with the need to acquire the verges from the railway station to create a safe crossing. Members asked the Administrator to investigate and contact CBC's Cllr Maudlin for further information about this site.