

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 6 September 2021 commencing at 7pm

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

Absent: Cllrs S Paterson and N Thompson.

In attendance: Cllr N Aldis and Anne Elliott-Flockhart (Administrator)

1 Apologies (32-2021/22)

Apologies had been received from Cllr S Paterson.

2 Declarations of interest (33-2021/22)

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

3 Planning Applications (34-2021/22)

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

13.08.21	CB/21/03668/ FULL 43 High Street Sandy SG19 1AG	Single storey rear extension, first floor rear extension, loft conversion and demolition of garage at 43 High Street, Sandy. Resolved: to make no objections to this application.
16.08.21	CB/21/03542/ FULL The Lodge Potton Road Sandy SG19 2DL	Erection of modular café building and extension to existing car park. Resolved: to make no objections to this application.
16.08.21	CB/21/3543/LB The Lodge Potton Road Sandy SG19 2DL	Listed Building: Erection of modular café building and extension to existing car park. Resolved: to make no objections to this application.
27.08.21	CB/21/03616/ FULL 56 College Road Sandy SG19 1RH	Erection of 2 panels of 5ft high to the front of the property at 56 College Road, Sandy. Resolved: to make no objections to this application.

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4 Late Planning Applications (35-2021/22)

01.09.21	CB/TCA/21/ 00437 22 Market Square Sandy SG19 1JA	Works to trees within a Conservation Area: Reduce overall crown of Acacia Tree (T1) by 3m, Remove large diameter deadwood at 22 Market Square, Sandy. Resolved: to make no objections to this application.
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5 Minutes of previous meeting (36-2021/22)

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 9 August 2021 as a correct record of proceedings.

6 Items for Information (37-2021/22)

Members noted the following decisions from Central Bedfordshire Council:

- a) CB/21/02839/FULL – 14 Bedford Road – Single storey rear extension, new access driveway and gate. Members discussed this application at a meeting of Development Scrutiny on 19 July 2021. Members made no objections but had comments regarding vision splays and tree surveys. CBC has granted this application but there is no mention of vision splays and tree surveys in the conditions of approval.
- b) CB/21/02412/PADO – 13-16a Market Square – Prior approval for change of use from office to dwelling houses. CBC have approved the change of use.

A member asked if Council could find out about the progress of the development at the Woodfines site. The site is becoming a concern, as are a number of neglected properties in the Town Centre which are also within the conservation area. Can CBC ask landlords to maintain their properties?

A member reported that he had attended a meeting of Bedfordshire Town and Parish Councils earlier that day where they discussed the Ox Cam Arc. The group decided to respond to the consultation with their concerns about the A1. Another member suggested that all the councils along the A1 should get together to agree a consensus about what should happen to the A1.