**Minutes of a Meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee of Sandy Town Council held in the Council Chamber at 10 Cambridge Road on Monday 25 March 2013 commencing at 7.30 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs J Ali, A Maycock, C Osborne, M Pettitt, D Sharman, S Sutton and G White (Chairman).

**Absent:** Cllrs Lynch and Smith.

**In attendance:** Cllr P N Aldis, an elector and the Deputy Town Clerk.

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| **1** | **Apologies**  Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Lynch and Smith. |
| **2** | **Declarations of interest**   1. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests** - None 2. **Personal Interests -** None |
| **3** | **Planning Applications**  The following planning applications submitted for comment by Central Bedfordshire Council were reviewed.  **3.1 CB/13/00582/FULL** Extensions to existing out building & conversion to form an annexe at **2 Stratford Road, Sandy, Beds**.  **It was resolved** to make objections to the proposed development as it is not annexe, it is separate from the main dwelling, it will be a freestanding dwelling with all the elements for a self-contained bungalow that could potentially be sold off separately and is also outside the development area for Sandy.  **3.2 CB/12/04214/ FULL** Change of use from fallow (unused land) to car parking space – Retrospective at **20 Robin Close, Sandy, Beds**.    **It was resolved** to refer the change of use from fallow (unused land) to car parking space adjacent to 20 Robin Close to the next Town Council meeting, it was noted that fly tipping is taking place in this location and the Town Council may want to consider selling the land to the applicant.  **3.3 CB/13/00865/RM** Reserved matters for Outline application CB/10/04356/OUT dated 01/08/2011 – all matters reserved except access and layout at land off **Station Road, Sandy, Beds**.  **It was resolved** to note that the application is outside the remit of the committee, though a recommendation to council would be made. The Chairman read out a viability statement, the statement included with the approved site layout and Section 106 agreement that the site is unviable as a commercially implementable scheme and if the scheme was to proceed it would result in a deficit of £973,485. The Committee would like to know what the developer is asking for, is it a loss of some of the affordable housing and a reduction in Section 106 monies. The Chairman would speak to the Town Clerk or Deputy Town Clerk about the information to be gained and that information is gained from more than one source. The Committee would like the application with the information to go to the next meeting of Town Council. That Central Bedfordshire Council is contacted to inform them that the Town Council will be considering the application at its Town Council meeting on the 15th April and the Council has already discussed the application at the Development Scrutiny Committee meeting on the 25th March. |
| **4** | **Minutes of previous meeting**  The minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 11th March 2013 had been circulated before the meeting.  **It was resolved** to approve them as a correct record of proceedings. |
| **5** | **Items for Information**  The Chairman informed the Committee that a letter had arrived from Central Bedfordshire Council. Planning application **CB/13/00077/ FULL Village Hall, The Green, Beeston, Sandy SG19 1PF**.  **It was resolved** that the application is deferred to the next meeting, an extension to the application is applied for and additional information with the plans is made available for the meeting.  The Chairman informed the Committee that a further application had been submitted with regard to land off Cambridge Road which backs onto Malaunay Place **CB/13/00723/FULL**.  **It was resolved** that a site meeting take place at 7pm on Monday 8th April to look at the site and an email should be sent to all members to make them aware of the meeting. |