

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 26 October 2015 commencing at 6.45pm

Present: Cllrs J Ali, P Blaine, W Jackson, M Pettitt (Chair), D Quick, D Sharman, P Sharman, J Sparrow and S Sutton.

Absent: Cllr T Cole

In attendance: Cllrs N Aldis, M Hill. CBC Cllr P Smith. Chris Robson (Clerk), Anne Elliott-Flockhart (Administrator) and one member of the public.

1 Apologies (56-2015/16)

Apologies were received from Cllr Cole.

2 Declarations of interest (57-2015/16)

i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - none

ii) Other Interests – Cllr Sparrow noted that in relation to application CB/15/03457/FULL that she had participated in the Patients Group until earlier this year. Cllrs Blaine, Quick, D Sharman and P Sharman all noted that they were patients of the surgery.

3 Planning Applications (58-2015/16)

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

05.10.15	CB/TCA/15/ 00381 Aragon Housing Association Katherine's House Dunstable Street Amphill MK45 2JP	Works to trees within a Conservation Area: Prune One Norway Maple tree at land between 87 & 97 High Street, Sandy, Beds. Resolved: to make no objection to this application subject to the applicant seeking the advice from CBC's arboriculturist.
07.10.15	CB/TRE/15/ 00367 Mr C Vince 2 Casadorma Friends Close Yelling ST Neots PE19 6SF	Works to trees protected by a Preservation Order: Prune two Yew trees behind the fire exit. The trees are listed as T3 & T4 are protected by Order Ref: MB/TPO/99/00010 at 76 London Road, Sandy, Beds. Resolved: to make no objection to this application subject to the applicant seeking the advice from CBC's arboriculturist.
08.10.15	CB/15/03750/ FULL Mr D Hopkins 3 Avocet Close Sandy SG19 2TD	Conversion of existing garage and creation of first floor above garage with front facing dormer and rear roof light at 3 Avocet Close, Sandy, Beds. Resolved: to make no objection to this application as it will be in keeping with the street scene. They have also made extra provision for car parking on the site to replace that lost in the conversion of the garage.

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12.10.15	CB/15/03457/ FULL Dr J Graffy Kings Road Surgery 27b Kings Road Sandy SG19 1EF	<p>Change of use for a vacant shop unit (Unit 2) and first floor offices to be used as general medical practice. The application involves using the ground floor shop unit as reception/waiting area and a single clinical consulting room. The first floor, existing rooms will be used as 4 consulting rooms and a treatment room, offices and a waiting area beside the courtyard, which brings natural light to the middle of the building at Shannon Court, High Street, Sandy, Beds.</p> <p>The Clerk gave a verbal report regarding a meeting he had with the applicant. After discussion it was resolved: to make no objection and welcome this application.</p> <p>Members noted that there will be on-going discussions with the applicant regarding parking which will be put before Town Council on 9 November for ratification.</p>
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4 Late Planning Applications (59-2015/16)

There were none.

5 Minutes of previous meeting (60-2015/16)

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 5 October 2015 as a correct record of proceedings.

6 Items for Information (61-2015/16)

Members noted that application CB/15/02785/FULL – 2 Churchill Way, which members had made no objections to was refused by CBC as the proposed two storey side extension would result in unacceptable harm to the character and appearance of the area by virtue of its dominant scale and location on a prominent corner plot.

The Chair reported that a letter had been received from residents regarding application CB/15/02943/MW – Warren Villas Quarry, after it had been discussed on 14 September 2015. The residents have been advised to make their representations to CBC.

Members noted that Wineville had removed the shutters and casing from the front of their property and the shutters were now on the inside of the window.

Members were informed that DLP had been asked to remove the RSPB logo from their consultation materials regarding land west of the A1, as they have not consulted with the RSPB yet.

Members noted that a representative from CBC's Enforcement Team had visited Bartram's where it was found that 2 buildings have been erected contrary to planning approval and where vehicle movements continue to breach conditions. The Clerk was asked to contact CBC asking that they inform the Council of the outcome of this visit.

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