

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY
25TH MARCH 2009 AT 7.00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SIMPSON CENTRE,
STOTFOLD**

Committee Members present: A Cooper (Chairman)

B Collier Mrs M Cooper
Mrs J Hyde B Saunders
Mrs C Turner

Also present: Councillor Mrs Bundock and the Clerk

2806. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillors Mrs Lewin and Mrs Wilding.

2807. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of Members interests.

MATTERS ARISING

2808. Decision Notices (see minute 2799)

A letter has been sent to the District Council to advise that we do not understand the approval of planning applications 08/02000/FULL and 08/01998/FULL (Meat and Livestock Commission, Hitchin Road, Stotfold) in view of the fact that application 08/01999/FULL was refused. A request has also been made for a response to our previous comments on the above applications ‘...do not believe this is a full application and is only a variation of the outline application. If it were a full application we should be in receipt of detailed plans’.

CORRESPONDENCE

2809. Mid Beds District Council – Town & Country Planning Act 1990

The District Council has received a request to amend the application description for the following planning application:

08/01180/FULL Retail Units South of Dickens Boulevard, Stotfold
Variation of condition 9 on planning permission 07/01853/FULL varied to ‘the retail units hereby approved shall not operate between the hours of 7.00am and 10.30pm Monday to Sunday including Bank Holidays, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority’

The original conditions on the approved application stated that operational hours must be between 7.00am and 10pm Mondays to Saturdays and 9am and 5pm Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Our comments on application 08/01180/FULL which requested hours of operation as 7am to 11pm Monday to Sunday including Bank Holidays, were: *Object on the grounds that it is in a residential area and the existing agreed hours should be maintained to bring opening hours in*

line with another local store. There are concerns over the potential for late night noise pollution, and increased vehicular movements between 10pm and midnight.

Any comments we have previously made on the application will be taken into account if they are still relevant. If we have any comments on the revised application we are asked to forward them by 2nd April 2009.

Resolved that no further comments are added to the original comments.

2810. DECISION NOTICES

Members were circulated the list of Planning Decision Notices recently received.

Resolved that the Planning Decision Notices as listed and forming part of these Minutes be noted.

2811. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members considered the planning applications before them and it was:

Resolved that the comments made on the planning applications as listed and forming part of these minutes be forwarded to Mid Beds Planning Department.

Councillor Mrs Hyde requested that her name be recorded as voting against the comments for planning application 08/02354/ADV Land and Buildings at Fairfield Hall – Doughty’s Brasserie Ltd, 1 No. free standing aluminium sign at roundabout and 1 No. wall mounted exterior sign for Doughty’s Brasserie at GL-14.

2812. TO CONSIDER A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE ATTENDING THE DEVELOPMENT CONTROL MEETING AT MID BEDS DISTRICT COUNCIL RELATING TO ANY OF THE ABOVE QUOTED PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved that District Councillor Mrs Turner is asked to call in planning application 09/00448/FULL Astwick Service Station, Great North Road. She will be unable to attend the Development Control meeting at the District Council, but Councillor Cooper will attend on behalf of the Town Council.

2813. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

Councillor Mrs Turner advised that the new Central Beds Shadow Authority planning system will run as follows; there will be two planning meetings per month, one for the South Beds area and one for the Mid Beds area.

There being no further relevant business the meeting was declared closed at 7.37pm

CHAIRMAN

DATED