

MINUTES OF A VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24th FEBRUARY 2021, AT 7.00PM

Committee Members present:

S Buck, A Cooper (Chairman), B Collier, Mrs M Cooper, S Dhaliwal, S Hayes, D Matthews, C Phelps, G Russell

Also present:

Councillors Mrs A Clarey, the Assistant Clerk, 3 Members of public

25/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received.

26/21 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS INTERESTS ON MATTERS CONTAINED IN THE AGENDA

There were none. Members were reminded that if at any time during the meeting they feel they have an interest in an item being discussed, they should declare it at that point.

27/21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS, COMMENTS & RESPONSES

A member of the public asked for the input of the committee regarding his research on providing a traffic free crossing on the A1 in the Wrayfields area. This would be for pedestrians, cyclists and equestrian use. It was stated that research into this has shown that local residents would be greatly in favour of this. It was also asked whether the use of the community infrastructure levy funding or any future section 106 money could be used to fund this project.

Members of the committee agreed that this would be an ultimate decision by the Highways Agency, with both Stotfold Town Council and Central Bedfordshire Council having an influence. The idea for a footpath had been raised in the past and raising the subject again was seen as a good idea. The crossing itself, together with fencing would need to be bigger and higher to accommodate walkers, cyclist and equestrian users. Any joint funding of the project was seen as an advantage, though dependant on the location, potentially between Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire authorities.

28/21 CLERK'S REPORT, CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED & MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION

Nothing to report.

29/21 DECISION NOTICES

The planning decision notices as listed and forming part of these minutes, were noted.

30/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED that the comments made on the applications as listed and forming part of these minutes be forwarded to the Central Bedfordshire Council Planning department, the comments made against an application under executive action are approved, and comments on a planning appeal be submitted.

31/21 CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS BY CENTRAL BEDS DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that it is not considered necessary to call in any applications for consideration by the Central Bedfordshire Council Development Management Committee.

32/21 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES, RELEVANT TO THIS COMMITTEE ONLY

The traffic lights at Arlesey Road were recently malfunctioning, where all 3 sets of lights were stuck on red. The lights have since been corrected but it was noted there was no information board present with a contact number to report any problems. It is a planning requirement that details to enable a fault to be reported are displayed.

With no further business, the meeting closed at 7.22 pm

MINUTES APPROVED (date):

SIGNED BY CHAIRMAN:

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Meeting: 24th February 2021

- A [CB/21/00267/FULL](#) comments due: 05/03/21
14 Harebell Avenue, Stotfold, SG5 4QZ
Demolition of conservatory, erection of replacement single storey rear extension and loft conversion
Town Council comments: No objections – remains 3 bed property, more permanent extension, Loft conversion – questioned whether planning permission was necessary.
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- B [CB/21/00465/FULL](#) comments due: 09/03/21
6 Alexander Road, Stotfold, SG5 4NA
Single story rear extension
Town Council comments: No objections
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- C [CB/21/00460/FULL](#) comments due: 10/03/21
38 Hitchin Road, Stotfold, SG5 4HP
Single storey rear extension and associated works
Town Council comments: No objections
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- D [CB/21/00556/FULL](#) comments due: 16/03/21
1 Castles Close, Stotfold, SG5 4BY
Single storey rear extension with rear dormer addition, rooflights to front elevation, front bay windows to be square with pitched roof above.
Town Council comments: no objections, lots of precedent set in the area.
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- E [CB/21/00573/FULL](#) comments due: 17/03/21
77 Regent Street, Stotfold, SG5 4DX
Single storey front porch
Town Council comments: no objections, no loss of parking space, – questioned whether planning permission was necessary.