

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 22nd MARCH 2023, AT 7.00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, GREENACRE CENTRE, STOTFOLD

Committee Members present:

T. Bhasin, B Collier (Chairman), A Cooper, S Dhaliwal, D Matthews, G Russell, J Smith

Also present:

C Jenkins, Assistant Clerk, Cllr M Cooper and 1 member of public

46/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L Anderson, S Buck and S Hayes.

47/23 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS INTERESTS ON MATTERS CONTAINED IN THE AGENDA AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Cllr D Matthews declared an interest in that his wife is the co-chair of the school governors at St Marys School. 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.

48/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS, COMMENTS & RESPONSE

None present.

49/23 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 8th March 2023 are confirmed as a correct record.

50/23 CLERK'S REPORT, CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED & MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION

Nothing to report.

51/23 PLANNING DECISIONS

Nothing to report.

52/23 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.

53/23 CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS BY CENTRAL BEDS DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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

54/23 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES, RELEVANT TO THIS COMMITTEE ONLY

Nothing to report.

With no further business, the meeting closed at 7.22pm.

MINUTES APPROVED (date):

SIGNED BY CHAIRMAN:

Meeting: 22nd March 2023

[CB/22/04787/FULL](#)

St Mary's (Stotfold) Lower School,
Rook Tree Lane, Stotfold, SG5 4DL

comments due: 23/03/23

Installation of a ground source heat pump with new plant room and boreholes in the school field with underground connection to the new plant room.

Town Council Comments: No objections, It was noted that the area concerned behind the new development on Rook Tree Lane has a clause attached to it. It was gifted to the school by Stotfold small holding Farming co-op, for playing fields and garden area use only.

[CB/23/00790/FULL](#)

14 Meadow Way, Stotfold, SG5 4EE
Proposed two storey rear extension.

comments due: 07/04/23

Town Council Comments: No Objections

[CB/23/00250/FULL](#)

5 The Avenue, Stotfold, SG5 4LY

Single Storey front extension and associated ramp for disabled access

comments due: 30/03/23

**Town Council Comments: No Objections – Committee members noted that Highways had suggested refusal of this application, due to parking on ground and placement of disabled ramp and reversing onto the Avenue. No access onto The Avenue? Plenty of room for off street parking in the area, 52 spaces in Co-op car park. Opticians over the road has less parking than the dentist. Re Bus stop outside dentist – only 3 buses per week stop there. The building extension is round to the side of The Avenue, as recommended. Doesn't interfere with Parking. No double yellow lines in the area.
As town council wish to promote facilities and businesses in the town, access to a local dentist is vital to the community.**