

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2017 AT 7.00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, GREENACRE CENTRE, STOTFOLD

Committee Members present: A Cooper (Chairman)

B Collier	Mrs M Cooper
S Dhaliwal	S Hayes
D Matthews	C Phelps
J Talbot	

Also present: Councillors Mrs A Clarey and B Saunders, 2 members of the public and the Town Clerk

18/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Ms Wearmouth.

19/17 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.

20/17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS, COMMENTS & RESPONSES

Not at this time.

21/17 CLERK’S REPORT, CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED & MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION

Members were advised that the appeal relating to play equipment at the Coach & Horses public house has been quashed, and the application has been approved.

22/17 DECISION NOTICES

None to report.

23/17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Two members of the public present spoke for up to three minutes on application CB/17/00189/FULL 31 The Avenue, Stotfold, SG5 4LY – Erection of new detached dwelling to rear of 31 The Avenue:

Mrs Hooper, Meadow Way

Expressed concern about loss of light to her bungalow, which is in close proximity to the proposed new dwelling, of 8 to 9ft.

Mr Street, Meadow Way

Has no objection to the application, however would like to see a condition that conifers are not planted on the boundary or that they are kept to the same height as fences.

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 members of the public were thanked for their comments, they left the meeting at 7.20pm

24/17 CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS BY CENTRAL BEDS DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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

25/17 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES, RELEVANT TO THIS COMMITTEE ONLY

The Chairman advised that at the recent Town and Parish Council meeting with Alistair Burt MP, much of the discussion concerned planning matters. Those Members who attended are asked to put together a precis to forward to the Clerk – an update provided by Alistair Burt will then be circulated to all Members, together with the collated precis.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.32pm

CHAIRMAN

DATED

PLANNING APPLICATIONS
8th February 2017

- A** CB/17/00189/FULL comments due 21/02
Mr A Summers
31 The Avenue, Stotfold, SG5 4LY
Erection of new detached dwelling to rear of 31 The Avenue
Town Council comments: No objections, however we ask for an imposition to restrict the height of boundary planting or fencing so as not to compromise the amenity of adjacent dwellings. We request that the proximity of the proposed dwelling is confirmed, to ensure that it does not compromise the proximity of adjacent properties. We also request confirmation that adequate on-site parking would be provided and that vehicle movements would be such that egress from the site would be in a forward motion.
- B** CB/17/00219/FULL comments due 21/02
Mr S Hyde
71 Vaughan Road, Stotfold, SG5 4EN
Single storey front and rear extension, and two storey side and rear extension
Town Council comments: No objections
- C** CB/16/05603/FULL comments due 16/02
Land at Astwick Road, Stotfold
Change of use of land to use as a residential caravan site for one traveller family, including laying of hardstanding
Town Council comments: Object – a previous application for this site has been refused and is now subject to enforcement. The application states that the existing use is unauthorised caravan site, however as the site is unauthorised, the existing use should therefore be stated as agricultural. The application also states that the proposal involves retention of change of use – this site does not have approved change of use. The Design and Access Statement seeks temporary planning permission to give additional time to find alternative accommodation – occupancy of the site should be via a licence or other legal agreement, not planning permission. The plans show no waste storage for collection. We also note that the entrance shown on the application did not exist in 2015 (previous application) – this vehicle access has been created since the original planning application for this site.