

## Woughton Community Council

### Planning, Licensing & Development Committee

**Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020, 6:00pm via Zoom Video call and Facebook Live.**

**Present: Cllrs Donna Fuller (Chair),** Luke Louis, Ruth Macmillan, John Orr, Nick Scott, Sue Smith.

**Also present:** Steve McNay (Council Manager), Brian Barton (Committee & Member Services Officer).

**LD 29/20 Apologies:**

Received from Cllr Brian Hepburn (Holiday).

**AGREED**

**LD 30/20 Declarations of Interest:**

There were no declarations of interest.

**NOTED**

**LD 31/20 Questions from the public (maximum 10 minutes):**

There were no questions from the members of the public.

**NOTED**

**LD 32/20 Chairs announcements:**

The Chair informed the meeting that a planning application has been received for the former Cripps lodge site on Farthing Grove, Netherfield.

The deadline for comments is Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020 which is when the committee next meets.

The Chair proposed that as it is a major development for that site that the planning application should be discussed at the next Full Council meeting.

The committee agreed to the proposal by the Chair.

**RESOLVED**

**To consider the planning application for the former Cripps Lodge site on Netherfield, at the next Full Council meeting.**

**LD 33/20 Minutes of previous meetings:**

The minutes of the Planning, Licensing & Development Committee meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020 were **AGREED** as a true and correct record and will be signed by the Chair.

**LD 34/20 To agree submissions to Milton Keynes Council on the following planning application(s):**

a) **Planning application:** 20/01597/FUL.

**Proposal:** Erection of a new dwelling with double garage.

**At:** Land Adjoining 4, Holmfield Close, Tinkers Bridge, Milton Keynes, MK6 3AB.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the committee notes the report.
2. That the committee notes the application documents and associated papers.
3. That the committee notes the objection letter from the Tinkers Bridge Councillor.
4. To object to this planning application on the grounds of the impact to the environment and for ecological reasons.
5. To object to this planning application on the grounds there is inadequate road access for residents and contract vehicles.
6. That the committee expresses its concern that this planning application if approved would set an unacceptable precedent.
7. That the Council Manager responds accordingly to the Development Control Directorate by the cut off date of 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020.

b) **Planning application:** 20/01889/FUL.

**Proposal:** Change of use of summerhouse from residential use (C3 use class) to beauty business (sui generis use class).

**At:** 164, Rochfords, Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5DL.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the committee notes the information below.
2. That the committee has no objection to this planning application.
3. That the Council Manager responds accordingly.

c) **Planning application:** 20/02174/FUL.

**Proposal:** Single storey rear & Two storey side extension.

**At:** 39, Trubys Garden, Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5HA.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the committee notes the report.
2. That the committee has no objection to this planning application but the committee requests that the applicant builds within their boundary curtilage, and to ensure this, that there are regular visits by the Planning Enforcement Team.
3. That the Council Manager writes with the agreed response to the Development Control Directorate by the cut off date of 8<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

d) **Planning application:** 20/02175/FUL.

**Proposal:** Two storey side extension (resubmission of 20/01334/FUL).

**At:** 20, Montagu Drive, Eaglestone, Milton Keynes, MK6 5ES.

## RESOLVED

1. That the committee notes the report.
2. That the committee has no objection to this planning application.
3. That the Council Manager responds to the Development Control Directorate with comments by the cut off date of 8<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

### **LD 35/20 Update on previous planning applications:**

The Council Manager updated the meeting on planning applications that the committee has previously considered:

#### **20/00876/FULR3 Address: Telecommunications Site, Waterside, Peartree Bridge, Milton Keynes. 5G Mast.**

The original planning application was withdrawn, with a further planning application submitted over the summer. A letter has been written explaining the committee's concerns, based upon the previous objection but removing the breach of planning law relating to proximity to residential dwellings, as the new site is compliant. The new planning application is numbered 20/01718/FULR3. The determination date is 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

#### **20/00903/FUL Address: Bridge Academy Central, Jonathans, Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5DE. Creation of additional learning space.**

A letter has been sent requesting further information submitted by Woughton Community Council on the 20<sup>th</sup> May 2020 so far there has been no response. The planning application was approved with conditions relating to the external appearance.

#### **20/01187/FUL Address: Hornbeam Court, Langland Road, Netherfield, Milton Keynes. Refurbishment and extension to existing block of flats.**

The committee was supportive of this planning application which has now been approved, and will proceed as planned.

#### **20/01023/FUL Address: Milton Keynes General Hospital, Standing Way, Eaglestone, Milton Keynes, MK6 5LD. Extension to the use of temporary buildings.**

Planning permission has been granted for a further three (3) years.

#### **20/01334/FUL Address: 20, Montagu Drive, Eaglestone, Milton Keynes, MK6 5ES. Creation of a two storey extension to the side of an existing property.**

The committee did not submit a response. The planning application was declined, as the Development Control Committee's view was that this would create an additional dwelling, in contradiction to the Plan MK. This planning application has now been resubmitted and has been considered at this committee meeting.

**20/01433/FUL Address: Milton Keynes General Hospital, Standing Way, Eaglestone, Milton Keynes, MK6 5LD. Demolition of existing and building of new wards and support areas within the hospital grounds.**

A letter was written in July 2020 supporting the planning application but requesting conditions be applied with regard to contractor parking. The determination date was the 17<sup>th</sup> September 2020. The planning decision is not known at this time.

The Chair proposed an agenda item for the next committee meeting on Woughton Community Council's relationship with the Development Control Directorate at Milton Keynes Council.

The Chair asked the Council Manager to compile a list of when questions on planning applications were sent to the Development Control Directorate and no responses were given, to formulate this into a document, and request the support of the local Ward Councillors, and bring to the next committee meeting.

The Council Manager informed the meeting that there was a planning buddy assigned by the Development Control Directorate to Woughton Community Council and suggested that he be invited to the next committee meeting.

The Council Manager said that the planning buddy cannot answer for the Development Control Directorate but can answer relevant questions and give a general overview on the work of the directorate.

**RESOLVED**

- 1. That the committee notes the report.**
- 2. To include on the next agenda an item on Woughton Community Council's relationship with the Development Control Directorate at Milton Keynes Council.**
- 3. That the Council Manager to compile a list of when questions on planning applications were sent to the Development Control Directorate and no responses were given, to formulate this into a document, and request the support of the local Ward Councillors, and bring to the next committee meeting.**
- 4. That the Council Manager to invite the planning buddy assigned by the Development Control Directorate to Woughton Community Council to the next committee meeting.**

**LD 36/20 To agree submissions to Milton Keynes Council on the following licensing application(s):**

**Boroughwide Street Trading Consent.**

**From:** Coffee Blue Milton Keynes West Ltd.

**To trade Boroughwide for the following times:**

Monday to Sunday 09:00 to 12:00

**RESOLVED**

- 1. That the committee notes the report.**
- 2. That the committee has no objections to this licencing application.**
- 3. That the Council Manager provides feedback to the Licencing Directorate with regard to the application noted in the report.**

### **LD 37/20 Milton Keynes Council Tenancy Agreement Consultation:**

The Council Manager informed the committee meeting that Milton Keynes Council are preparing to consult on changes to the tenancy agreements for both Introductory and secure tenancies. This follows a decade since the last changes and is intended to address new legislation, changes to best practice and enable more effective management of the housing stock.

The committee felt that the document is very vague, and outcomes need to be more detailed and firmed up with appropriate timescales.

The committee also felt that the landlord (Milton Keynes Council) should take more responsibility in accepting liability for damage to property for fires, burst pipes flooding etc, as not every tenant can afford or get home content insurance.

Cllr Sue Smith requested a meeting with the contractor Mearns for an update meeting on the flooding response and other issues.

#### **RESOLVED**

- 1. That the committee notes the report and other papers.**
- 2. That the committee feels that the document is very vague, and outcomes need to be more detailed and firmed up with appropriate timescales.**
- 3. That the landlord (Milton Keynes Council) should take more responsibility in accepting liability for damage to property for fires, burst pipes flooding etc, as not every tenant can afford or get home content insurance.**
- 4. That the committee agrees to the Council providing links to consultation documents via social media and the website, plus any other communication methods.**
- 5. That the Council Manager to contact the contractor Mearns for an update meeting on the flooding response and other issues.**

### **LD 38/20 Planning White Paper Consultation:**

The Council Manager informed the committee meeting that there are significant changes proposed to the current planning system, with potential impacts on the parish and wider implications for the planning system and housing delivery across the country. The white paper, 'Planning for the Future', outlines these proposals and includes a linked, but separate document that contains the consultation questions of which there are 26 of them.

The Chair asked Members to think about the contents of the document and send any comments to the Council Manager.

The Council Manager said that he will collate all responses and put in a document and present it to the next committee meeting for consideration, so as to be able to agree a final response before the 29<sup>th</sup> October deadline for submissions.

#### **RESOLVED**

- 1. That the committee notes the report and attached papers.**
- 2. That Members are requested to think about the contents of the document and send any comments to the Council Manager.**

3. That the Council Manager to collate all responses and put in a document and present it to the next committee meeting for consideration, so as to be able to agree a final response before the 29<sup>th</sup> October deadline for submissions.

**Date of next meeting:**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020, via Zoom Video Call and Facebook Live.

**THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 6:49PM**

Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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