



Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Environment and Planning Committee of Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council held at on Tuesday, 8th November, 2022 commencing at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllrs R Haine, E Kelly-Wilson, E O'Rourke, S Porter and A Segebrecht

Absent: Cllrs L Campbell and R Graham

Apologies: Cllrs S Clark and A Palmer

In attendance: Delia Shephard, Town Clerk and Will Allen, Environment and Premises Manager acting as clerk to the committee

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- EPC22/23-13 **Councillors' apologies for absence**
It was RESOLVED to note the apologies as listed above
- EPC22/23-14 **Councillors' declarations of interest in matters on the agenda**
No declarations of interest were made.
- EPC22/23-15 **Minutes of the last meeting of the committee held on 12 July 2022**
It was RESOLVED that the draft minutes of the last meeting be approved.
- EPC22/23-16 **Public Speaking Time**
There were no representations from members of the public.
- EPC22/23-17 **Minutes of sub-committees and consideration of any recommendations therein**
It was RESOLVED that the draft minutes of the last meeting of the Climate Change Subcommittee held on 1 November 2022 be noted.
- i It was RESOLVED to recommend to full council that the council's current scheme of delegations be amended by setting the status of the Climate Change Subcommittee to that of a working/task and finish group until such times as a carbon audit had been commissioned and a climate action plan agreed by the council.
 - ii It was RESOLVED to recommend to full council that the draft Environment policy approved by the sub-committee be adopted for immediate implementation but that this should be considered a version 1 of this document for future review.
- EPC22/23-18 **Planning applications due for determination by Milton Keynes Council**
- EPC22/23-18i **20/02405/FUL - The Pink Punter 2 Watling Street MK2 2BS - APPEAL for Provision of storage containers (retrospective)**
It was RESOLVED that an appeal against refusal of retrospective planning permission 20/02405/FUL at Pink Punters 2 Watling Street MK2 2BS be noted.
- It was further RESOLVED that the comments made by The Council to the original application be submitted to the Planning Inspector in relation to the appeal: *Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council objects to the proposed development on the grounds that the visual appearance of the stacked containers is not in keeping with the street scene and the other buildings on site.*



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- EPC22/23-18ii **22/02561/FUL - Land Rear of 71-79 Victoria Road MK2 2NZ - The erection of x2 two-bedroom flats with associated car and cycle parking and refuse storage**
An anomaly was noted relating to the application and the associated plans with the former detailing four parking spaces and the latter showing four spaces but with only three having been marked with "Parking." It was RESOLVED that no comments be made to the planning authority providing that four parking spaces are included and that officers would seek clarification that this is the case.
- EPC22/23-19 **Licensing application at 9 Stadium Way West, Denbigh North, Milton Keynes, MK1 1S**
It was RESOLVED to advise the licensing authority that, whilst the town council did not object to the granting of the license, it noted that the license included off and on sales of alcohol at a time when other premises in the vicinity would be closing late at night. To prevent crime and disorder and public nuisance and to preserve community safety the town council asked the licensing officers to consider a condition of this license requiring provision of door security at these times.
- EPC22/23-20 **Public consultation by Milton Keynes Council on adoption of a dog fouling public space protection order**
It was RESOLVED to note the public consultation from Milton Keynes Council on the adoption of a new PSPO dog fouling order and to make no comments except to support the order.
- EPC22/23-21 **Update report on allotment site occupancy and maintenance**
It was RESOLVED that an update report on allotment site occupancy and maintenance circulated with the agenda be noted. Whilst the high level of occupancy was positive, it was RESOLVED to advertise the vacant allotment plots in next town council newsletter.
- EPC22/23-22 **Update report on progress with preparations for landscaping delivery in September 2023**
It was RESOLVED that an update report on progress with preparations for landscaping delivery in September 2023 be noted.
- EPC22/23-23 **Provision of planters in Queensway and consideration of any other projects to be suggested by members for inclusion in the 2023-24 budget which pertain to the responsibilities of this committee**
A report on the condition of current planters in Queensway had been circulated with the agenda and the contents were noted and discussed.

It was RESOLVED that the planters be dug out, the existing false bottoms be removed, and the council commit to refilling, planting and maintaining these planters for at least one more year pending further information about the town deal public realm improvement project and the outcome of the town council's community infrastructure applications.

The meeting closed at 8.14 pm