



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 Sports Hall - Newton Leys Pavilion on Tuesday, 10th January, 2023 commencing at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllrs R Graham, R Haine, Hussein, E Kelly-Wilson, E O'Rourke, Palmer and A Segebrecht

Absent: Cllrs L Campbell and Clark

Apologies: Cllrs S Porter

In attendance: Will Allen (Environment and Premises Manager) (Clerk) and Lee Dudley

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- EPC22/23-24 **To note councillors' apologies for absence**
It was RESOLVED to note the apologies as listed above
- EPC22/23-25 **To note councillor's declarations of interest in matters on the agenda**
No declarations of interest were received
- EPC22/23-26 **To approve the minutes of the last meeting of the committee**
It was RESOLVED that the draft minutes of the last meeting be approved
- EPC22/23-27 **Public Speaking Time**
No representations were made by members of the public
- EPC22/23-28 **To note minutes of sub-committees and to approve recommendations therein**
There have been no sub-committee meetings since the last Environment and Planning Committee meeting
- EPC22/23-29 **To review planning applications due for determination by Milton Keynes Council**
- EPC22/23-29i **For Noting Only - 22/03107/LBC - Sycamore House Drayton Road Bletchley Milton Keynes MK2 3RR - Listed Building Consent for the erection of a single storey link extension from the rear of Sycamore House to the front of Sycamore Hall, associated internal and external alterations for accessibility purposes, window and roof replacement works to Sycamore Hall, and the erection of fencing to form enclosure to the rear of the House and east elevation of the Hall.**
The Town Council's planning application was noted as having been submitted
- EPC22/23-29ii **22/02854/FUL - 131 Pinewood Drive MK2 2HY - The erection of a new 2 bedroom dwelling house**
The Town Council RESOLVED to object to the planning application on the following grounds:
Overdevelopment – having already been granted planning to turn the 3 bed semi detached property on the site into a 4 bed HMO the addition of a further 2 bed dwelling would be overdevelopment with too much accommodation crammed onto one plot. This also results in a strange arrangement of garden spaces.
Parking – The planning permission granted already on this plot is for a HMO with 3 parking spaces and garage. Granting this application would reduce this to 2 spaces. In addition it is questionable whether the two parking spaces for this dwelling will fit within



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the boundary of the plot.

Design – The building is not in keeping with the street scene and is very unusual in its design in order that it fits within the plot. In turn this results in a tall vertical wall which is in close proximity with the property next to it (the HMO) and boundary fencing which would make maintenance of both potentially problematic.

EPC22/23-30

To receive an update report on allotment site occupancy

It was RESOLVED that an update report on allotment site occupancy and maintenance circulated with the agenda be noted.

It was RESOLVED that officers should investigate the feasibility of dividing the community plot at Newton Leys into manageable plots that could then be let to those on the current waiting list. In the event that this proves feasible it was RESOLVED that officers go ahead and divide and mark the new boundaries and let these plots.

EPC22/23-31

To receive quotations for replacement fencing at Pinewood Drive Community Allotment

The committee considered a number of quotations for the erecting of fencing at Pinewood Drive allotment site.

It was RESOLVED to award the contract Aaron Fencing at the cost of £1,685 in line with the officer recommendation.

EPC22/23-32

To receive a presentation on preparations for landscape devolution

Members received a presentation from Will Allen (Environment and Premises Manager) and Lee Dudley (Environment and Landscape Officer) on preparations for delivery of the devolved landscaping services which the town council would be providing with effect from September 2023.

The meeting closed at 8.27 am