

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE HELD ON 21ST MAY 2003**

PRESENT

Mrs. Harrison, Messrs. Mackin, Gray, Steeples, Fisher and Leith.

APOLOGIES

Mrs. Collins

1. TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN

Proposed Mr. Gray. Seconded Mrs. Harrison and agreed unanimously that Mr. Gray be elected.

Vice Chairman to be elected at a later date.

2. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

03/00873/FULL

Change of use of agricultural land to residential use.

Rear of 5 Mayfields.

Object:- Proposed building will be on floodplain

03/00880/FULL

Erection of detached dwelling with integral garage

21 Ivel Road

Object:- Drawing seems to be drawn to advantageous scale. Over development of site and insufficient access.

03/00878/OUT

Residential development of up to 18 dwellings – all matters reserved except access.

Land to rear of 72-88 Amphill Road.

Object:- Proposed buildings will be on a flood plain. Inappropriate access.

03/00813/FULL

Demolition of 44 New Street and erection of 2 detached dwellings with garages.

44 New Street

Object:- Conflict of access with entrance opposite. Over development of site. Two storey house will impact adversely on surrounding bungalows.

03/00682/FULL

Erection of 14 dwellings, car ports and parking spaces.
Land to rear of 1-25 Lucas Way.

No objection subject to:- As no play equipment/area has been provided, the Council would be pleased to see a financial donation for additional/upgrading play equipment elsewhere in Shefford.

3. DECISIONS

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

02/02203/FULL

Erection of two storey detached classroom block with sports hall. Demolition of redundant buildings.
Samuel Whitbread Community College.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

03/00241/FULL

Detached house and detached single garage.
Land to rear of 64 Ampthill Road.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

03/00323/FULL

First floor front extension
41 Eisenhower Road.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

03/00324/FULL

Rear/side single storey extension and internal alterations
7 Palmer Close.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

03/00333/FULL

First floor side extension
22 Eisenhower Road.

4. BUS STOPS- AMPHILL ROAD

A site meeting has been arranged by Beds C C in Ampthill Road at 2.30 p.m. Friday 23rd May regarding the siting of a bus stop. Mrs. Harris to attend and possibly Mr. Gray.

5. PLAY AREA MIDLAND CLOSE

Letter from Knowles Benning enquiring if the Council has the original Adoption Agreement. Clerk to reply that we do not have the original Agreement and to suggest that they should apply to BBR for a fresh print .

6. ADDITIONAL PLOTS – 18 LUCAS WAY

Plan and Schedule enclosed from Mid Beds D C regarding plots r/o 37-65 Lucas Way.

7. TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE – C207 HITCHIN ROAD

Letter from Beds C C (Babtie) regarding the above but this was retrospective as work has already been completed.

8. DEVELOPMENT AT LUCAS WAY

Letter from Aragon Housing Association regarding the naming of the above development. The Town Council suggested Cockshoot Close but Mid Beds Council has decided to continue with the existing numbering.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Mid Beds D C regarding a site off Midland Close. The Council have suggested 'The Sidings' – a railway theme – as this is where the name 'Midland' came from.

Letter from Mid Beds D C regarding 120-122 Ampthill Road and a Planning Appeal from Mr. and Mrs. Cobb. Clerk to write to the Planning Inspectorate stating the Council's objections.

Letter from Mid Beds D C regarding Entrance and Garage, 49 Ampthill Road. Confirmation received that if the access is on to Bloomfield Drive then planning permission would not be required to construct a vehicular crossover. Uncertainty about planning permission for a garage but a Planning Enforcement Officer will make a site visit to ascertain the situation.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Phone box now repaired in Ampthill Way

Dangerous tree felled near car park on the Millenium Green

Safety issue regarding the proposed Tesco site. Clerk to write to Tesco Managing Director to request that the buildings are made safe or preferably demolished.

Meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.