

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT  
COMMITTEE HELD ON 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2004**

**PRESENT**

Mr. Gray presided over Mesdames Harrison, Collins and Holmes, Messrs. Mackin and Leith.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Mr. Steeples

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None.

**3. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION**

04/01237/OUT

Re-development of existing commercial/industrial land and buildings for residential  
(All matters reserved except access)  
Land at Hillfoot Depot, Hitchin Road

Objection:- Over development, outside building line, change of use from agricultural.

04/01297/FULL

Erection of detached two bedroom bungalow with attached garage and erection of  
detached garage for 128 Clifton Road.  
128 Clifton Road.

No objection.

04/01286/FULL

Retention of window and door to rear elevation.  
Unit 1, R/O 44 High Street.

No objection.

04/01290/FULL

Erection of eleven dwellings and garages.  
Land at Squires Close.

Objection:- Over development of site, inappropriate access.

04/01287/DC3

Erection of centralises offices for Mid Bedfordshire District Council and ancillary  
facilities on part of the MOD site at Chicksands, together with access and egress off  
the A507, provision of associated car parking, landscaping and servicing – revision to  
previous planning permission ref:- 03/00190/DC3 approved 9/2/2004.  
Former MOD Education/Training Facility at Chicksands.

No objection.

04/01259/TPO

Clean bole by removing all epicormic growth and small branches up to the main fork of Oak tree. Selectively remove low secondary and minor branches to raise crown up to 5.5 metres above road and raise all round shape and balance.  
Iveldale Road.

No objection.

04/01260/FULL

Two detached houses with garages.  
Land between 8 and 11 Palmer Close.

Objection : - Land regularly floods.

#### **4. DECISIONS**

Notice of Refusal of Planning Permission

04/00693/OUT

Residential Development (Including means of access).  
Land at Old Bridge Way.

Notice of Refusal of Planning Permission

04/00810/FULL

Construction of a three bedroom detached house with integral garage.  
Land off Midland Close/Ivel Gardens.

Notice of Refusal of Planning Permission

04/10119/FULL

Two storey and first floor front/side extension.  
11 Tippett Drive.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

04/00954/FULL

Single storey rear extension.  
23 Tippett Drive.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

04/00957/FULL

Single storey entrance porch.  
5 Mallard Close.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission.

04/00560/FULL

Erection of detached house and garage.  
Land to the rear of 64 Ampthill Road.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

04/01083/FULL

Two storey side extension with integral garage.  
53 North Bridge Street.

**5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Mrs. Harrison stated that she had studied the Mid Bedfordshire Local Plan First Review Deposit Draft and informed members that she did not consider that it contained any matters particularly relevant to Shefford.

It was noted that the tree adjacent to the Somerfield's store was now receiving attention.

Members were informed that the questionnaire on Developer's Checklist, Bedfordshire Sustainability Checklist Consultation Draft (Consultation period 14.06.2004 to 26.07.2004) had been returned to Eric Owens with the Planning Committee's comments attached accordingly.

It was suggested that an invitation be sent to the Chief Planning Officer at Mid Beds D C to ask him or a representative to attend a Planning and Environment Committee meeting in September. It was thought that this would give an opportunity for members to ask questions on such matters as defining the reasons for objections to Planning Applications and similar issues.

Mr. Fisher showed members a letter he had received from the Environment Agency regarding the debris at South Bridge. The letter informed Mr. Fisher that a site inspection has been undertaken and arrangements have been put in place to remove the obstruction.

The meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.

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