

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2004**

**PRESENT**

Mr Gray presided over Mesdames Harrison and Holmes, Messrs. Fisher, Steeples and Leith.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Mrs. Collins.

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None.

**3. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION**

04/00107/Full

Installation of external low level lighting for pedestrians-retrospective.  
The Indian Chef, South Bridge Street

No objection.

04/00398/FULL

First Floor side extension  
2 Arnhem Place.

No objection:- providing it doesn't detract from neighbour's light at No. 4.

**4. DECISIONS**

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

03/01230/FULL

Construction of 23 flats following partial demolition of existing buildings.  
10-12 Clifton Road/Ivel Road.

**5. 21 IVEL ROAD**

Letter and site map received from Mid Beds DC re the address of the property being constructed at the above site.

**6. LICENSING EXTENSIONS – BLACK SWAN**

A list of licensing extensions for the Black Swan in the current year. It was noted that these all relate to Public Holiday times and are likely to be the same for other Public Houses in the town.

**7. MANAGEMENT OF LANDSCAPED AREAS**

A letter has been received from the Environmental Enhancement Officer of Bedfordshire County Council. It listed various areas of the town that will be receiving attention. These areas are Kingsmede and Town Centre Trees, Old Station Way Plant Beds and the Roundabouts. A guideline to the landscaping of roundabouts was also enclosed along with a list of suitable contractors and landscapers.

**8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

It was noted that an area in Southfields could accommodate two or three extra trees. It was decided to wait until the next notification of the free tree offer from Mid Beds District Council in order to ascertain what could be done.

A letter is to be written to the Chairman of the Community Hall Association to express the Council's disappointment that a Horse Chestnut tree outside the Community Hall had been unprofessionally pruned without prior permission. It was noted that the tree was subject to a Tree Preservation Order and such a further letter is to be written to the Tree Preservation Officer at Mid Beds District Council.

The meeting closed at 7.40 p.m.

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