

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT  
COMMITTEE HELD ON 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2005**

**PRESENT**

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

**1. TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN**

Proposed Mr. Fisher, seconded Mr. Steeples and agreed unanimously that Mrs. Holmes be elected 'Chair'.

**2. TO ELECT A VICE CHAIRMAN**

Proposed Mrs. Holmes, seconded Mr. Leith and agreed unanimously that Mr. Gray be elected Vice Chair.

**3. APOLOGIES**

None.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**5. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION**

05/00797/LB

Erection of replacement conservatory to rear elevation.  
Blewitts Hall, Stanford Road.

No objection : providing it is in keeping with existing structure.

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BC/CM/2005/15

Retrospective change of use to the temporary storage of domestic recyclable glass and paper.

Units 5 & 6, Shefford Business Park, 1-3 Clifton Road.

No objection : subject to hours of operation being adhered to and storage secured within the building. Possibly a need to re-classify the waste category following legislative changes in July.

05/00798/FULL

Single storey rear extension, conservatory to rear and mono-pitched roof to front bay window.

33 Hitchin Road.

No objection : Plans do not show neighbouring property and therefore difficult to ascertain if it detracts from neighbour's light.

## **6. DECISIONS**

Notice of Refusal of Planning Permission

04/02097/FULL

Provision of vehicular access and driveway for land to the rear of 87 Clifton Road. 57 Elgar Drive and Land to the Rear of 87 Clifton Road, Elgar Drive.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

05/00517/FULL

Insertion of windows to north and east elevations.

Unit 5, Ivel Road.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

05/00545/FULL

Retention of use of building for B1 use.

Malt House Building, Ivel Road.

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

05/00527/FULL

Single storey side extension

3 Walton Close

Notice of Refusal of Planning Permission

05/00433/FULL

Erection of semi-detached bungalows

128 Clifton Road.

## **7. HEDGING/FENCING – RIVERSIDE**

A local resident has requested permission to plant a pyracanthus hedge adjacent to the perimeter fence and a horizontal conifer in front of the hedge to cover the existing bare ground. The committee granted permission for both requests. The resident also informed the Council that consideration should be given to carrying out remedial action to the bend in the river adjacent to Riverside as it appears to be suffering a degree of erosion. The committee is to inform the resident that they will monitor the situation.

## **8. BEDS C C - CONSULTATION : BEDFORDSHIRE'S EMERGING STRATEGIC PLAN**

The above document has been received from the County Council. Mrs. Holmes informed the committee that she would study the information contained therein and report back accordingly.

**9. MID BEDS D C – INFRASTRUCTURE DEFICITS**

Mrs. Holmes informed the Committee that she would attend the above Mid Beds D C seminar to be held in Shefford on 9<sup>th</sup> June.

**10. TRANSFER OF LICENCE**

Notification has been received from Licensed Property Agents informing the committee about a forthcoming transfer of licence in respect of Unwins Ltd. The committee is to object to the transfer.

**11. COPY OF LETTER FROM WOODS HARDWICK**

The committee has received a copy of a letter from Woods Hardwick to the Senior Planner at the District Council. The letter was for information purposes only and summarises the issues discussed at a recent meeting between the Planning Committee and a representative of Woods Hardwick.

**12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

A letter has been received from a local developer asking if a meeting can be arranged to discuss proposals for the possible siting of a medical centre.

Report of a street light not working outside No. 8 Ampthill Road.

Letter to be written to the company currently carrying out drainage work in Clifton Road and the High Street enquiring as to the date when the work is likely to be completed. Comment also to be made regarding replacement fencing at Kingsmede.

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

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