

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 21ST MARCH 2007

PRESENT

Mrs. Holmes presided over Mrs. Harrison, Messrs. Mackin, Fisher, Gray and Leith.

1. APOLOGIES

Mr. Steeples.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

07/00417/TPO

Coppice 6 no. Alder trees.
12 The Hollies.

No objection.

06/01918/FULL

Single storey front extension. Single storey rear extension. Revised scheme to that previously approved under ref : 06/00451/FULL dated 21/04/2006.
18 Elm Road.

No objection.

4. DECISIONS

Notice of Approval of Planning Permission

07/00040/FULL

Two storey side and rear extension.
31 Eisenhower Road.

Notice of Approval of Details

06/00675/FULL

Land between 8 and 11 Palmer Close.

Proposed Development : Full: Erection of 2 no. 3 bed detached houses with interim garages.

Details of Conditions discharged ; Condition number 3 (boundary treatment) attached to Planning Permission reference 06/00675/FULL dated 14/06/2006.

Refusal of Minor Amendment to Permission Granted

05/00362/FULL

Proposal Approved: Full : Side extension to form double garage and bedroom above.

Description of Amendment: Reduction in height of extension and alteration to roof.

34 The Hollies.

5. SHEFFORD URBAN GRASS CUTTING AGREEMENT – BEDS C C

The committee has received a letter from the County Council regarding the above. It was agreed that the Town Council's grasscutting contractor should continue cutting the grass within the 30 mph speed limit signs and the County Council should continue cutting the grass outside of the 30 mph speed limit. A copy of the contractor's public liability insurance is to be requested and forwarded to the County Council along with a signed copy of the agreement.

6. RESPONSE FROM THE NIRAH TEAM

The committee has received a response from the NIRAH team thanking them for their support in the following proposal : An International Visitor Destination and Science Research Park, Water Adventure Park, Spa, three Hotels, Conference and Exhibition facilities, 50 seater cinema and associated ancillary retail and food and drink uses. On site car parking (Quest pit) and dedicated park and shuttle bus facility (Elstow North).

7. GYPSEY & TRAVELLER ISSUES & OPTIONS – MBDC

A copy of the above document has been received from the District Council. Cllr. Holmes offered to read the document and answer the questions as requested. The answers will then be discussed at the next meeting of the committee prior to forwarding to the District Council.

8. REVIEW OF CCTV IN MID BEDS

The Community Services Manager at the District Council has written to inform the Council that on 26th February the Davington Centre for Community Solutions was appointed to co-ordinate a review on the above over the next five months. It was agreed that the clerk should be Shefford Town Council's representative to assist with overseeing the review along with representatives from other authorities.

9. ROWNEY WARREN

It was reported that there has been an increase in dog fouling incidents in Rowney Warren. As this situation is totally unacceptable, the clerk has been requested to write to Southill Estates, Defra and the Forestry Commission requesting their support in any way they can to help reduce such incidents.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Assistant Director of Highways and Transport at the County Council is to be informed of the poor quality of workmanship regarding the recent tarmacing at the School Lane junction.

The meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.
