

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE HELD ON 5TH NOVEMBER 2008**

PRESENT

Mrs. Holmes presided over Mesdames Harrison and Clark. Messrs. Mackin, Wilson, Fisher and Leith.

1. APOLOGIES

Mr. Steeples.

2. DELARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION

08/01935/FULL

First floor front, rear and side extension with new pitched roofs to replace existing flat roof dormers. New detached garage.
58 Clifton Road.

No objection.

Comment : providing there is no adverse impact on neighbour's light - additional load on an already overloaded sewerage system.

08/01972/FULL

Erection of 2 science classrooms
Robert Bloomfield Middle School, Bloomfield Drive.

No objection.

08/02034/FULL

Erection of first floor rear extension.
7 Ampthill Road.

No objection.

08/01902/FULL

Amendment to Planning App. 08/00601/FULL to include two side windows W2 and W5 to new extension to be obscure glazed and fixed opening.
10 Hazel Close

No objection.

08/01792/FULL

Retention of fence panel from 2 mtrs. To 2.22 mtrs.
22 Churchill Way.

No objection.

08/01863/FULL

Change of use up to $\frac{3}{4}$ of existing Brickbuilt garage to make a preparation room to make sandwiches/foods for a 'sandwich round'.
7 Elm Road.

No objection.

Comment : must comply with all food provision regulations. All waste to be disposed of correctly. Traffic movements must not impact on neighbours' quality of life and all regulations appertaining to working hours must be adhered to.

09/01987//AG

Clear portal frame building with grain walls.
Land at junction of A600 and B658 Bedford Road.

No objection.

08/01946/FULL

Change of use from office to residential use including first floor of No. 36 High Street and internal alterations.
36A High Street.

No objection.

Comment : additional load on an already overloaded sewerage system.

08/01948/LB

Change of use from office to residential use including first floor of No. 36 High Street and internal alterations.
36A High Street.

No objections.

4. DECISIONS

Full Conditional Approval

08/01539/FULL

Two storey side extension.
12 Hitchin Road.

Full Conditional Approval

08/01341/FULL

First floor side and front extension to existing offices.
Calverdale House, 23 Clifton Road.

Permission Granted

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Retrospective use of buildings and surrounding hardstanding for a materials recovery/recycling facility for PC equipment.
Unit 4C, Shefford Industrial Estate, St. Francis Way.

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5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT FRAMEWORK

The committee has received information from the D C regarding the Core Strategy & Development Management Policies : Draft Submission. The document sets out the D

C's policies for development in the District, including the strategy for development, the broad locations for the proposed growth and the associated environmental and social considerations. It also provides a policy framework against which decisions on planning applications will be made.

6. DESIGN GUIDE – MBDC

The clerk informed those present that he had attended a seminar at the D C's offices entitled *The Local Development Framework*. Mrs Holmes is to study the literature received by the clerk.

7. INFORMATION RE 40 MPH SPEED LIMIT

The following has been received from the Orders & Commons Registration Officer at the County Council – *The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 – The County of Bedfordshire (40mph Speed Limits) (Various Roads, Campton and Chicksands and Shefford) Order 2008*. Information as to the roads on which the speed limit is to be imposed was also included.

8. ADDENDUM TO SETTLEMENT ENVELOPE – MBDC

Information has been received from the District Council regarding further changes to the Settlement Envelope Review. The change relates to Henlow 06 – Land rear of 53 and 55 High Street)

9. MID BEDS SITE ALLOCATIONS DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The first round of consultation was held during February and March this year and included details of 369 sites. During this process an additional 74 new sites and proposals were submitted and therefore a second round of consultation was held during July and August. In total over 12,000 responses were received on the 443 sites. The D C expects that only 50 out of the 443 sites (depending on their nature and scale) will eventually be allocated for development and it is intended that a list of preferred sites will be published in the summer of 2009.

10. QUESTIONNAIRE-PARISH/TOWN ENGAGEMENT WITH UNITARY AUTHORITY

BAPTC is currently working with NALC and the Commission for Rural Communities on a project to find the best way to offer support to towns and parish councils in areas where new Unitary Authorities are being established. After appropriate discussion, the questionnaire was completed and forwarded to the Beds Assc'n of Town and Parish Councils in Cardington.

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11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Horsechestnut tree in Campton Road is shedding branches. Concerns were raised about vehicle/passenger safety. The clerk is to request an update on the previous report 78974.

The Mayor has received a copy of a letter from a lady stating that due to impasse between the D C and the developer she cannot take possession of her designated

property in Old Bridge Way. An investigation is to be carried out in order to establish the reason behind this.

The meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.