

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT  
COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2008**

**PRESENT**

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

**1. APOLOGIES**

Mr. Mackin.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**3. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION**

08/00945/FULL

Erection of single storey rear conservatory.  
44 Stanford Road

No objection

08/00915/FULL

Two storey rear extension  
85 Clifton Road.

No objection

**4. DECISIONS**

None.

**5. TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 1967 – MBDC**

The above Order was revoked by the District Council on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2008. A copy of the Revocation Order was enclosed. The clerk is to seek clarification as to the exact location of the tree.

**6. GO-EAST – REVISION TO THE REGIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY**

The above document was published on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2008 by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government and is available to view or download on :  
[www.goeast.gov.uk](http://www.goeast.gov.uk)

**7. E:MAIL FROM RESIDENT RE CLIMATE CHANGE**

At the beginning of June the Mayor received an e:mail from a resident registering the fact that the Town Council appeared not to be taking on measures to tackle climate change and further suggested several initiatives. The committee also received a copy of the Mayor's response and agreed that it answered all the resident's concerns.

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**8. ADDICTS TREATMENT CENTRE**

Enquiries have been received regarding the possibility that an addict's treatment centre is to be set up in Brewers Court. At the present time no positive information has been received but the situation is to be monitored.

## **9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Notification of the 'Change of Use' form and accompanying fee in respect of a youth facility building on the industrial estate has been received from the District Council. If by 30<sup>th</sup> July 2008 the D C has not sent a formal notice of the decision on the application then the committee is entitled to appeal to the Dept. of Communities and Local Government.

One of the Councillors has received a request for a highway mirror to be erected at the Ivel Road/Clifton Road junction to assist motorists exiting Ivel Road. It was also reported that a hedge inside the perimeter wall at 8 Clifton Road could also obscure vision if the height of the hedge exceeded the wall. Highways are to be requested to look at the site.

It was agreed to clean and renovate the outside of the public toilets paying particular attention to the guttering.

Beds Highways are to be informed about the dangerous condition of a Horsechestnut tree adjacent to Campton turn opposite No. 16.

Concerns were raised about a bush growing over the footway at No. 16A Ampthill Road. Beds Highways are to be contacted accordingly.

The meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.

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