

# Sandy Town Council

## Minutes of a meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee of Sandy Town Council which was held in the Council Chamber at 10, Cambridge Road, Sandy, Bedfordshire on Monday 5 September 2016 commencing at 6.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs W Jackson, G Leach, M Pettitt (Chair), D Sharman, P Sharman, J Sparrow and S Sutton.

**Absent:** Cllrs J Ali and P Blaine.

**In attendance:** Cllrs M Hill and C Osborne. Anne Elliott-Flockhart (Administrator)

### 1 Apologies (32-2016/17)

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Ali and Blaine.

### 2 Declarations of interest (33-2016/17)

i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - none

ii) Other Interests – none

### 3 Planning Applications (34-2016/17)

The following applications submitted for comment by Central Bedfordshire Council were reviewed and comments agreed.

05.08.16	CB/16/03364/ FULL Mr G Nightingale 33 Merlin Drive Sandy SG19 2UN	Single storey rear extension at 33 Merlin Drive, Sandy, SG19 2UN.  <b>Resolved:</b> to make no objections to this application as it will have no impact on near neighbours due to the size of the plot.
08.08.16	CB/16/03325/ FULL Mr N Strong 28 Glebe Road Sandy SG19 1LS	Small extension to side of property to increase space in entrance hall and re-locate the front door at 28 Glebe Road, Sandy, SG19 1LS.  <b>Resolved:</b> to make no objections to this application as it will not have a negative impact on the street scene.
30.08.16	CB/15/03852/ FULL Mr A Eldridge 62a St Neots Road Sandy SG19 1LG	Dropped kerb at 62a St Neots Road, Sandy, SG19 1LG.  <b>Resolved:</b> to make no objections to this application.

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## 4 Late Planning Applications (35-2016/17)

There were none.

## 5 Minutes of previous meeting (36-2016/17)

**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 8 August 2016 as a correct record of proceedings.

## 6 Items for Information (37-2016/17)

Members noted that the enforcement case for 35 Abbey Grove, Sandy for alleged erection of a fence had now been closed due to the fact that the path is an access path for residents to the rear to put their bins out and is not a public footpath. Almost every fence has been raised to the rear to over 3m in height. Most of the fences have been in place for more than 4 years and are therefore immune from enforcement action. The whole streetscene is now similar and action would not be expedient in this case.

Members noted that applications CB/16/02973/FULL and CB/16/02974/LB for Park House Nursing Home, Mill Lane, Sandy that members had objected to at a meeting on the 18 July 2016 had been granted by CBC.

Members noted that application CB/16/02488/FULL – 26 Cottage Road, Sandy, for change of use – a shed converted to a dog grooming parlour, which members had made no objections to at a meeting on 18 July 2016 had been refused by CBC and a confirmed breach of planning notification has since been received. The reasons given for refusal were that the use of the existing outbuilding as a dog grooming business, by reason of the comings and goings of clients to the property, noise and disturbance from dogs at the premises, car movements to and from the property, location of the outbuilding in the rear garden accessed via a shared accessway with 28 Cottage Road and windows and a door overlooking rear gardens, has introduced an unacceptable commercial element into this residential area and has an adverse impact on the residential amenities of neighbouring occupiers and an unacceptable loss of privacy and overlooking to occupiers 24 and 28 Cottage Road.

Members noted that application CB/16/01369/FULL – Grange Nurseries Beeston for retention of three existing buildings, retention and completion of partially constructed building and associated works which members objected to at a meeting on 27 June 2016 had been granted by CBC.

Members noted that Bartram's is now being used for retail. Cllr Hill is constantly informing CBC of any reports of breaches of conditions with little or no response. As far as we are aware CBC are still waiting for Highways to undertake a feasibility study. It was **resolved to recommend** that this issue be discussed by Town Council.

Members noted that application CB/16/02021/FULL – Land at Northcroft for

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erection of three bungalows and associated works which members had objected to at a meeting on 6 June 2016 had been granted by CBC.