**Minutes of a meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee of Sandy Town Council held in the Council Chamber at 10, Cambridge Road, Sandy, Bedfordshire on Monday 12 August at 6.45 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Aldis (substitute for Cllr Ali), Jackson, Maycock, Osborne, Pettitt (Chairman), Scott (For part of the meeting), Sharman, Sutton and White.

**Absent:** Cllrs Ali and Lynch.

**In attendance:** For part of the meeting Cllrs Butterfield, Runchman, Smith and Walsh. Alsoone member of the public and Deputy Town Clerk.

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| **1** | **Apologies**  Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Ali, Lynch and Scott. |
| **2** | **Declarations of interest**   1. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests** – Cllr Sutton disclosed a pecuniary interest as she knew the applicant of the late planning application CB/13/02581 - 62/13. 2. **Other Interests** – None. |
| **3** | **Planning Applications**  The applications listed below which had been sent from Central Bedfordshire Council to Sandy Town Council for comment were reviewed and discussed and the following resolutions were made:   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 18/07/13  54/13 | CB/13/02424/ FULL  Mrs J Sephton  34 St Neots Road  Sandy  SG19 1LG | Two Storey Side Extension and Single Storey Rear Extension, Summer House and Garage at 34 St Neots Road, Sandy, Beds.  **Resolved** to make no objections as compatible with the street scene, not overcrowding and in proportion with size of the plot. | | 18/07/13  55/13 | CB/13/02352/ FULL  The AFNAN Library Trust  Wixham Tree  Sand Lane  Northill  SG18 9AD | Change of use from Office B1 to Library D1 at 14 Pleasant Place, Sandy, Beds.  **Resolved** to make no objections while encouraging planners to discuss with the owners participation in an open door scheme one or two days a year.  It was also resolved that subject to the planning application being approved a letter be sent to the AFNAN Library Trust urging an open door policy facilitating access by members of the general public to the building one or two days a year. | | 19/07/13  56/13 | CB/TCA/13/ 00200  Mrs T How  Laburnum Lower School  Sandy  SG19 1HQ | Works to trees within a Conservation Area: Re: Pollard one Horse Chestnut Tree (T1) to the eastern side of the main building. Reduce Height of two Cypress trees by 3m (T2 &T3) to the southern side adjacent to the road.  Reduce crown of one Horse Chestnut tree by 15% (T4) to the south western side. Lift crown of one Sycamore tree to 2.5m above ground level & reduce overhang by 20% (T5) to the north west of the main building. (‘T’ Numbers are marked on the plan supplied with the application). At Laburnum Lower School, Laburnum Road, Sandy, Beds.  **Resolved** to make no objection to the application. | | 22/07/13  57/13 | CB/13/02341/ FULL  Mr R Doyle  9 Windsor Way  Sandy  SG19 1JL | Part two storey and part single storey side extension at 9 Windsor Way, Sandy, Beds.  **Resolved** to make no objections as compatible with the street scene, not overcrowding and in proportion with size of the plot. | | 22/07/13  58/13 | CB/13/02439/ FULL  Mr A Swift  1 Brook End  Hatch  SG19 1PP | Two storey side & two storey rear extension with porch, single storey side/ rear extension with balcony over at 1 Brook End, Hatch, Sandy, Beds.  **Resolved** to make no objection while pointing out that the proposed work will seemingly result in a greater than 50% increase to the original property size. | | 29/07/13  59/13 | CB/13/02393/ FULL  Torst Ventures Ltd  Cockayne Hatley Hall  Cockayne Hatley  Sandy  SG19 2EA | Single storey rear extension (modification to previously approved under CBC/12/03398) at 38 Bedford Road, Sandy, Beds.  A member of the public spoke to the Committee about this application.  Cllr Runchman, Scott and Smith arrived whilst this application was being discussed.  **Resolved** to object to the modification as the pitch is not symmetrical, lintels, height of the wall, colour of the brick used does not match the brick on the main building and overbearing impact on near neighbour.  In addition disappointment that the front boundary wall has been demolished and an additional four car park spaces at the front have been made.  Cllr Aldis did not vote on this application. | | 30/07/13  60/13 | CB/13/02211/ FULL  BG Timber  C/o DLP Planning  4 Abbey Court  Fraser Road  Priory Business Park  Bedford  MK44 3WH | Construction of vehicle storage building/garage, which forms an extension to an existing derelict outbuilding at Market Garden Nurseries, 64 High Road, Beeston, Beds.  **Resolved** to make no comment. | | 31/07/13  61/13 | CB/13/02304/ FULL  Mr B Mason  154 St Neots Road  Sandy  SG19 1BS | First floor extension to existing outbuilding at 154 St Neots Road, Sandy, Beds.  **Resolved** that the Town Council is unable to comment for or against this application as we do not know the intended use of the building. The building needs to be subservient to the main building. | |

**4 Late Planning Applications**

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| **5** | Cllr Sutton left the room before the application was discussed.   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 12.8.13  62/13 | CB/13/02581/FULL  A & B Bruce Builders Ltd  c/o Mr R Batchelor  29 Newstead Way  Bedford  MK41 8RH | Land adjacent to 130 St Neots Road, Sandy, Beds.  **Resolved** to not raise any objection. |   **Minutes of previous meeting**  Cllr Sutton re-entered the room.  **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of a meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 15 July 2013 as a correct record of proceedings. |
| **6** | **Items for Information**  Members were informed that the application for 27 Western Way, Sandy had been approved. |