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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 9 January 2017 commencing at 6.30pm

Present: Cllr P Blaine, W Jackson, T Knagg, G Leach, M Pettitt (Chair), D

Sharman, P Sharman, J Sparrow and S Sutton.

Absent: Cllr J Ali.

In Cllrs N Aldis, M Hill and M Scott. CBC Cllr Smith. Three members of

attendance: the public. Anne Elliott-Flockhart (Administrator).

1 Apologies (62-2016/17)

Apologies had been received from Cllr J Ali.

2 Declarations of interest (63-2016/17)

- i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests none
- ii) Other Interests Cllr Pettitt declared an interest in application CB/16/05494/FULL, as he is friends with the applicant and therefore would take no part in discussion of the item and would not vote.

Cllr Blaine drew attention to the fact that he is a member of CAMRA which is cited in the supporting documents for application CB/16/05626/FULL.

3 Planning Applications (64-2016/17)

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

| 08.12.16 | CB/16/05373/ FULL Mr J Bartram Bartram Timber Ltd C/o DLP Planning Ltd 4 Abbey Court Priory Business Park Bedford MK44 3WH |
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Erection of a steel framed warehouse at 64 High Road, Beeston, SG19 1PB.

Resolved: to object on the grounds of overdevelopment of the site as not all existing buildings are shown on the plan. An increase in the size of the business will have a detrimental effect on residents in the near vicinity. The proposal could increase the likelihood of tailbacks of traffic entering the site from the A1.

In the introduction of the Planning, Heritage, Design and Access Statement it states the proposal is considered necessary for the continued growth of the business. The Conclusion which states the proposal would not materially increase the type or intensity of the uses, and, therefore, would not materially increase noise or disturbance to neighbours, would seem to contradict this. An increase in the size of the business would be wholly damaging to the environment and to Beeston Green.

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| 08.12.16 | CB/16/05494/ FULL Mrs K Vinent 77 Swansholme Gardens Sandy SG19 1HN | Single storey front and side extension including conversion and part demolition of existing garage at 77 Swansholme Gardens, Sandy, SG19 1HN. Cllr P Sharman took Chair for this item. Resolved: to make no objections to this application. |
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| 15.12.16 | CB/16/05626/ FULL Hawthorn Leisure Ltd C/o WYG The Pavilion 1 st Floor Botleigh Grange Office Campus Southampton S030 2AF | Erection of 1 No. two bedroom and 1 No. three bedroom semi detached dwellings with associated car parking cycle and refuse storage, following reconfiguration of parking court and amenity on land north of the Kings Arms Public House, 27 London Road, Sandy, SG19 1HA Resolved: to make no objections to this application but to urge that the following conditions be applied. i) That the car park has a permeable surface due to the fact that the site is in a flood plain. ii) That the width of the car park entrance is investigated to make sure it can realistically allow for cars to enter and exit the car park comfortably. iii) That the car park at rear is built before the development of the houses is started to mitigate potential temporary car parking problems during the construction of the proposed new properties. |
| 23.12.16 | CB/16/05499/ FULL Mr P Battle Tracscare Ltd 2 Parklands Birmingham Great Park Rubery Birmingham B45 9PZ | Proposed extension to provide laundry facility at 8 Bedford Road, Sandy, SG19 1EL. Resolved: to make no objections to this application. |
| 23.12.16 | CB/16/05791/ OUT Mr K Barton ALF Aquatic Distributors Ltd Telford Way Cambridge Road Bedford MK42 0PG | Resubmission of Outline application for use classes B1, B2 and B8 development on Land at Beamish Close, Sandy, previous application no: CB/16/03342/OUT. Resolved: that the committee had no objections to the proposed change of use and welcomed the opportunity of additional employment for the community and would urge applicants to proceed to the next planning stage as soon as possible. |

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| 28.12.16 | CB/16/05855/ | Proposed works for a dropped kerb, replace garden |
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| | FULL | with permeable parking surface at 40 St Neots |
| | Mr A Palmer | Road, Sandy, SG19 1LG. |
| | 43 Fennel Drive | |
| | Sandy | Resolved: to make no objections to this |
| | SG18 8WD | application. |

4 Late Planning Applications (65-2016/17)

There were none.

5 Minutes of previous meeting (66-2016/17)

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 12 December 2017 as a correct record of proceedings.

6 Items for Information (67-2016/17)

The Chair reported that a meeting had taken place with DLP, the agents for Bartrams Timber, before Christmas. But due to the fact that the meeting was running behind it was decided to defer discussion of this meeting until the next meeting of Development Scrutiny.

The Chair also reported that the Clerk had been in touch with LGSS Law with regards to advice regarding Beeston Green. He suggested that this be dealt with at another Council meeting in conjunction with the Beeston Green Working Group. He went on to say that the advice is encouraging in that it affirms Council does have legally enforceable powers as owners of the Green.