

Sandy Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee of Sandy Town Council which was held virtually via Zoom on Monday 16 November 2020 commencing at 6.45pm

Present: Cllrs A Gibson, J Hewitt, W Jackson, T Knagg, R Lock, M Pettitt, P Sharman (Chair), S Sutton and N Thompson.

Absent:

In attendance: Cllrs N Aldis, P Blaine, M Hill and C Osborne. Chris Robson (Clerk) and Anne Elliott-Flockhart (Administrator). One member of the public.

1 Apologies (37-2020/21)

There were none.

2 Declarations of interest (38-2020/21)

- i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - none
- ii) Other Interests – none

3 Planning Applications (39-2020/21)

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

19.10.20	CB/20/03738/ FULL Land to rear of 31 Bedford Road Sandy SG19 1EP	Demolition of outbuilding and erection of a dwelling. As a near neighbour Cllr Sutton left the meeting and took no part in discussion or voting on this item. Resolved: to object to this application on the basis that it is an overdevelopment of the site and has an overbearing impact on its neighbours. The materials to be used are unsympathetic to its situation in a conservation area. There is a lack of amenity space and lack of parking.
22.10.20	CB/20/03771/ FULL Brook End Farm, 7 Brook End Hatch SG19 1PP	Erection of two dwelling following demolition of two B1 light industrial units and a stable block. Creation of new vehicular access to serve No 7 Brook End. Resolved: to make no objections to this application providing it stays within the brownfield area. Members have concerns regarding current and future development of the site into the open countryside. Members would wish to see that issues regarding reduce access, lack of parking and the need for a turning circle are addressed before permission is granted.
26.10.20	CB/20/03735/ REG3 Sandy Secondary School Engayne Avenue	Temporary Marquee for 2 years at Sandy Secondary School, Engayne Avenue, Sandy. Resolved: to make no objections to this application.

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30.10.20	CB/20/03899/ FULL Brook End Farm 7 Brook End Hatch SG19 1PP	New vehicular access at 7 Brook End, Hatch. Resolved: to make no objections to this application.
03.11.20	CB/20/03968/ FULL 27b St Neots Road Sandy SG19 1LE	Construction of a single storey rear extension and detached single garage at 27b St Neots Road, Sandy. Resolved: to make no objections to this application.

4 Late Planning Applications (40-2020/21)

There were none.

5 Minutes of previous meeting (41-2020/21)

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of meeting of the Development Scrutiny Committee held on Monday 26 October 2020 as a correct record of proceedings.

6 Items for Information (42-2020/21)

Members noted the following items of information:

- i) CB/20/02000/FULL – Land east of Sandy Railway Station for car park has been granted.
- ii) CB/19/00834/FULL and CB/20/01534/ADV for 43a Tempsford Road for signage – these applications have been withdrawn.
- iii) CB/20/01647/FULL – 107-109 High Street Sandy for granny annexe to rear has been appealed. The letter informing us of the appeal does not state on what grounds the appeal is being made. If members wish to make representations they need to be submitted by 17 December 2020.

A member asked if near neighbours got consulted on minor amendments to applications as it appears that they do not. The member wondered if there was anything council could do about this.

A member informed the committee that the Government Planning Consultation was due to have some amendments made to it and that Council may have to re-visit their submission in light of this. It was agreed that the group of members who dealt with the original consultation would also respond to this one. The Clerk informed members that once he has received this information from NALC he will forward to members of the group that responded to the original consultation.