



# Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council

## Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and Planning Committee of Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council held at Bletchley Library, Westfield Road MK2 2RA on Tuesday 19 March 2019 commencing at 7.30 pm

**Present:** Cllrs Samantha Browne, Ron Haine, Ed Hume, Angela Kennedy, Gary Kenworthy, E'amonn O'Rourke and Michael McDonald (Chair)

**Absent:** Cllrs Mohammed Arshad, Keith Ely, Sean Porter and Mohammed Rohim

**In attendance:** Members of the public.

### Min Ref

FP19/19-89 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Ely. Apologies for absence had not been received from Cllrs Arshad, Porter and Rohim.

FP18/19-90 **Declarations of Members' Interests**

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – None  
Other Interests – None

FP18/19-91 **Public Speaking Time**

Several members of the public raised concerns in relation to Planning Application no 19/00466/FUL (Homebargains store etc) and the committee was urged to object to the proposed development chiefly on the grounds of parking. Concern was also expressed that the plans to develop the building had not been notified to the community by the owners/developers of the building. The Chair of the Council explained that the Town Council had objected on the first occasion that the planning application had been considered and would consider its position shortly but the Town Council was simply a consultee in the planning process, it had no other powers within the planning process.

FP18/19-92 **Minutes of previous meeting**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of a meeting held on 19 February 2019 as an accurate record of proceedings with one amendment that the word "East" should be removed from the title of the "East Bletchley Community Parking Forum" (minute reference FP18/19-85).

### Planning Matters

The following applications due to be considered by Milton Keynes Council were reviewed and discussed by councillors.

FP18/19-93 i Application No. 19/00440/FUL 12 Barbados Row, Newton Leys, MK3 5GW Conservatory in the rear garden.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment on the proposed development.

FP18/19-94 ii Application No. 19/00466/FUL 55-65 Queensway, Bletchley, MK2 2DR Demolition of the existing buildings on the site, construction of 48 residential units and six ground floor commercial units. Retention of existing access, provision of car parking, bin and cycle storage and associated landscaping.

Following extensive discussion it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to reiterate the Town Council's previous objections to the proposed development and to raise concerns about the findings of the developers' parking survey (particularly item 4 page 66) which did not reflect the reality of local lived experience in Bletchley and may have been based on



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misinterpretation of data and of information in the MKC Transport Strategy, and to note that the development was not compliant with Plan MK which stated that there would be no major development decisions in Bletchley before April 2020.

*(Cllr Hume left the meeting.)*

(The Chair of the Council noted that the officer due to clerk the meeting had been unexpectedly unable to attend and because of this some items of business were likely to be adjourned to a later date but it was planned to address all planning matters.)

- iii Application No. 19/00478/PANSOL 15 Dane Road, Bletchley, MK1 1JQ Prior notification for the installation of 89.1kW Solar PV system consisting of 330 x JA Solar 270w solar modules installed via a railed system on pitched rooftops  
FP18/19-95 It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment on the proposed development.
- iv Application No. 19/00481/FUL Tudor House, Western Road, Bletchley, MK2 2PR Proposed new chalet bungalow in rear garden  
FP18/19-96 It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment on the proposed development.  
*(Cllr Hume returned to the meeting.)*
- v Application No. 19/00251/FUL 27 Queensway, Bletchley, MK2 2DR Change of use from A1 (shop) to sui generis (taxi hire office)  
FP18/19-97 It was **RESOLVED** to raise concerns about the proposed change of use because the nature of the new business could have a significant impact on Stanier Square/Queensway owing to potential parking of taxis in the vicinity and the likelihood of taxi customers waiting outside the taxi office. The corner of Albert Street/Queensway is a particularly dangerous corner and this added to members concerns.
- vi Application No. 19/00516/ADV Nationwide Building Society, 99 Queensway, Bletchley, MK2 2DW Advertisement consent for new Powder Coated Aluminium Fascia Panel with Internally-Illuminated Lozenge 510mm high installed centrally to fascia, two new internally/halo illuminated ATM surrounds and an internally illuminating projecting sign (700 x 700mm).  
FP18/19-98 It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment on the proposed development.
- vii Application No. 19/00562/FUL Unit 18 Brunel Shopping Centre, Bletchley, MK2 2ES Change of use from retail (A1) to an Orthodontics Practice (D1). Internal alterations to form practice including partitioning, a new mezzanine floor, a new stair and associated fixtures, fittings and services.  
FP18/19-99 It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment on the proposed development.
- viii Application No. 19/00604/ADV Brewers Decorating Materials, Bilton Road, Bletchley, MK1 1HW Replacement corporate fascia sign  
FP18/19-100 It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment on the proposed development.
- FP18/19-101 A new premises licensing application at Unit H1 Stadium Way East, Denbigh North, MK1 1ST was discussed and it was **RESOLVED** to make no comments on the application.
- FP18/19-102 It was **RESOLVED** to adjourn all remaining items on the agenda and to deal with these at the extra-ordinary meeting of Full Council planned for 26 March 2019.