

Minutes of a meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE**, Arlesey Town Council held in the Village Hall, Arlesey on **Tuesday 1 May 2012**.

PRESENT:

Cllrs: N Daniels (Chairman)	D Page
G Bains	M Rainbow
Ms L Clapham	Mrs J Rencontre
Mrs H Frost	Ms J Squizzoni
M Holloway	D West
C Howitt	A White

Also present: Mrs E Hare (Clerk), Mrs L Rowe (Assistant Clerk), and five members of the public.

140 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The Clerk invited proposals for Chairman.

Nominated: Cllr N Daniels

Proposed: Cllr D West

Seconded: Cllr C Howitt

It was RESOLVED

that Cllr Nick Daniels is elected as the Chairman of the Planning Committee for the subsequent year.

141 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Cllr Ms L Warwick

142 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

The Chairman invited proposals for Vice-Chairman

Nominated: Cllr C Howitt

Proposed: Cllr D West

Seconded: Cllr Ms L Clapham

It was RESOLVED

that Cllr Chris Howitt is elected as the Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee for the subsequent year.

143 MEMBERS' INTERESTS

- a) There were no declarations of personal interests received.
- b) There were no declarations of prejudicial interests received.

144 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A member of the public spoke on behalf of a group relating to the Portland Industrial Estate planning application. The developer had applied for the removal of condition 15 for the provision of a new footway on a previous planning approval. Residents of the group who live in the vicinity of the site expressed their concerns over safety issues if the condition was removed.

145 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Prior to the meeting Members received a copy of the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on the 17 April 2012.

It was RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 17 April 2012 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

146 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

147 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) **CB/12/01412/VOC** – Removal of condition 15 for the provision of a new footway attached to planning approved CB/10/02584/REN dated 13/06/2011 – Portland Industrial Estate, Hitchin Road, Arlesey

Recommendation: the Town Council strongly OBJECTS to condition 15 being removed, because it is a flagrant contradiction to the original conditions agreed to, to obtain planning approval for the site. The alternative proposal to alter the route of the pedestrian access from the service road behind the Hitchin Road cottages and the track running between 136 and 138 Hitchin Road, would not be the natural route to the village centre northwards and has probably been proposed because of land ownership rights issues and lack of space for a footpath originally agreed to in condition 15. The Town Council requests that Central Bedfordshire Council fully considers the objections raised by the residents being affected if this proposal was granted.

(b) **CB/12/01240/FULL** – 1. A front porch extension and square bay window 2. Rear extension to replace existing conservatory. 3. The addition of windows to the north, south, east elevations of the property. 4. The addition of roof lights into the roof of property to provide natural light into the attic space. – 11 Lymans Road, Arlesey SG15 6TE

Recommendation: to approve this proposal subject to neighbours' comments being taken into consideration

(c) **CB/12/01317/FULL** – Provision of 29 additional pitches, realignment of internal access road, creation of a pitch for managers accommodation and erection of club house, tea room and activity centre (enlarged from previous approval) – Henlow Lakes and Riverside, Arlesey Road, Henlow

Recommendation: to approve this proposal in principle, but severe reservations were raised on the highway access. Road safety measures must be considered and implemented in relation to this application

148 CORRESPONDENCE – CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

The Chairman reported that the correspondence received from CBC related to giving notice under Section 32 of the Building Act that the plans deposited by the Town Council for proposed extensions to the MUGA building. This informed Council that the planning approval had expired as they had not received any notification of commencement.

It was AGREED to note the information

149 PLANNING APPLICATION

CB/12/00949/FULL – Single wind renewable energy turbine and integrated sub station – Arlesey Landfill Site, Mill Lane, Arlesey

Recommended: to OBJECT to this proposal on the same grounds to the previous planning proposal, which were:

More information and discussions are needed in relation to any future proposals on this site and where it would lead to.

Concerns were expressed over the noise levels and over the negative impact it would have on the environment and for the health and safety of the people who work in the area near the site

Serious concerns were raised over the tolerance of the bridge in Mill Lane when transporting the equipment to the site

CHAIRMAN