

**WEST BLETCHLEY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**HELD ON MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JULY 2019**

**AT WEST BLETCHLEY COUNCIL OFFICES, 221 WHADDON WAY, WEST BLETCHLEY**

**Present:** Cllrs Paul Harvey, James Butson, Sally Crockett, Shery Delfani, David Gibb, Jim Kearon, Gladstone McKenzie, Ernie Thomas, Derek Hircock, Paul Moore.

**In Attendance:** Deputy Clerk, the Parks & Environment Manager, 1 member of the public.

**PE19/41 Apologies for Absence** – None received.

**PE19/42 Declarations of Interest**

Jim Kearon declared a personal interest in item PE19/46

**PE19/43 Minutes of meetings**

Cllr Paul Harvey signed the minutes of the meeting held on 29th April & 3rd June 2019 as correct records of the meetings

**PE19/44 Ward Matters - Frank Moran Centre Footpath Upgrade**

**Resolved:**

- that the report of Parks & Environment Manager be received;
- Not to approve the recommendation contained therein; and
- Request a copy of the schedule of path improvements from MKC.

**PE19/45 Parking Improvement Projects Update**

**Resolved:**

- that the report of the Parks & Environment Manager be received

**PE19/46 Parking Zone Proposals** – report of Parks & Environment Manager

**Resolved:**

- that the report of the Parks & Environment Manager be received
- That the findings of the informal consultation be forwarded to MKC

**PE19/47 To consider commenting on proposals for implementing parking charges on Sherwood Drive**

Cllrs David Gibb declared an interest as he lives in the vicinity; and

Cllr Paul Moore declared a personal interest as he works at Bletchley Station.

**Resolved:** that the report of the Deputy Clerk be received, and the council will respond to the formal consultation when it takes place.

**PE19/48 Chepstow Park update** – report of Parks & Environment Manager

**Resolved:** That the report of the Parks and Environment manager be received.

**PE19/49 Forward Planning** – updated report on MKC Service Delivery Contracts

**Resolved:** that the updated report on MKC Service Delivery Contracts be received

**PE19/50 Committee Budgets** – to note spending to date in respect of this year’s budget

**Resolved:** that spending in respect of the 2019/20 budget be noted

**PE19/51 To comment on the following Planning Applications**

1. **19/00757/FUL** –Temporary use of land as a construction compound (Compound B6) incorporating storage area, site offices and car parking, Former Bletchley Brickworks, Newton Road

**Resolved:** No objection to the site being used for a construction depot. However, we object on the grounds of the impact that routing HGV traffic through a residential area, contrary to policy CT2 which requires that “no material harm is caused to the living conditions of residents”, particularly as an alternative route is available. WBC recommend that EWR bring forward their plans for the road they will construct from Whaddon Road Newton Longville, north-west of Manor Farm, through to Bletchley Road Newton Longville opposite the site entrance, to avoid HGV traffic being routed through West Bletchley. Neither the roundabout on the Buckingham Road nor the narrow bridge underneath the railway line is suitable for the levels of HGV traffic proposed. It should be noted that Newton Road West Bletchley on the proposed HGV route is a pedestrian route for the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Primary School.

2. **19/01524/FUL** – External alterations to façade, Cable House, Buckingham Road

**Resolved:** no objections

3. **19/01538/FUL** – Erection of a single storey rear extension on residential property and adding an additional storey over the existing family room, 137 Buckingham Road

**Resolved:** No objection to planning application. Recommend Planning Enforcement to investigate use of site as builder’s yard.

4. **19/01585/TPO** – Notification of intention to remove 2-3m off the lateral extent of mixed trees (G1), Milton Keynes College, Sherwood Drive

**Resolved:** No objections

5. **19/01595/FUL** – Single storey front/side extension, 49 Whiteley Crescent

**Resolved:** No objections

6. **19/01617/FUL** – Redevelopment of site to provide three dwellings and provision of associated landscaping and parking together with access from Byron Close, including demolition of existing structures, breaking-up and recycling of hardstanding and enabling works, 111 Buckingham Road

**Resolved:** Objection on the grounds of insufficient parking contrary to policy CT10. Parking SPD requirement is 2 plus 0.5 unallocated per dwelling, whereas applicant is proposing 6 to be provided resulting in a shortfall of 2 spaces.

Due to the elevated position of the dwellings relative to 113 Buckingham Road it will have a detrimental impact on the neighbouring property.

The proposals encroach onto the root protection zones of a number of the protected trees.

Policy CT10 requires electric vehicle charging points, whereas none are being supplied.

If MKC are minded to approve the application, we would like it to be referred to committee for determination.

7. **19/01619/TCA** – Notification of intention to fell as Ash (T137), pollard to old pollard points two Lobardii Poplars (T134 & T135), crown lift to 4.5m a Atlas Cedar (T78) and reduce an Austrian Pine (G19) by 3m, Bletchley Park, Sherwood Drive

**Resolved:** No objections

8. **19/01686/FUL** – First floor extensions built over existing single storey lounge and part garage & single storey side kitchen extension to the rear of the property with internal alterations to ground & first floor, 87 Whalley Drive

**Resolved:** No objections

**PE19/52 Notice of Approvals**

**Resolved:** that the report of approvals be noted

**PE19/53 Notice of Refusals** – report enclosed

**Resolved:** that the report of refusals be noted

**PE19/54 Notice of Appeals** – Wilton Hall informal hearing at MKC on 7th August 2019

**Resolved:** to note that the informal hearing will take place at the Civic Centre on 7<sup>th</sup> August at 10:00 in the council chamber.

**PE19/55 Notice of Appeal Decisions** – None

**PE19/56 Other Planning Matters** - Salden Chase – oral report of Deputy Clerk

Nothing to report.

**PE19/57 Dates of Future Meetings**

To note that the next scheduled meeting of the Planning & Environment Committee will be held on Monday 9th September 2019 at 7.00 pm.