

**MINUTES OF THE BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 23rd APRIL 2007 AT 7.30pm FOLLOWING THE
INTERIM COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC SESSION**

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs. P. Desorgher
H. Lewis
G. Loftus
H. Mordue
Mrs. P. Stevens (Chairman)
Mrs. C. Strain-Clark
P. Strain-Clark
R Stuchbury

Also Attending: Cllr. D. Isham
Cllr. Ms. R. Newell

For the Town Clerk Mrs K.W. McElligott

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors P. Collins (Mayor) and R. Lehmann.

5033 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this point. Cllr. Stuchbury declared a personal interest in application 07/00876/APP before it was considered.

5034 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd April 2007 to be ratified on 21st May 2007 were received.

5027: appln CC/07/07 (07/00717/ACC) 2.4m fence at The Buckingham School

In light of additional information, circulated to Members at the meeting, supplied by the Community Plan and the School and further clarification at the preceding Public Session, Members revisited this application and the qualifications attached to their support of the proposal.

It was decided to withdraw the supplementary comments and write to BCC explaining that the Council had not been in possession of all the facts at the time of the meeting, and enclosing the School's letter.

ACTION THE CLERK

Cllr. Newell left the meeting.

5035 ACTION LIST

The Action list had been circulated with the agenda. There had been no additional information or response since.

5036 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were received and discussed. –

07/00402/APP

OPPOSE

Land to the rear The Bungalow, 1A Lenborough Road
Erection of dwelling

Members felt the design of the building was unimaginative, given its proximity to the Conservation Area and the oldest building in Buckingham, and were also concerned about the additional pressure on the access road.

07/00832/APP

DEFERRED

Land to rear of 1 Mitre Street
Change of use of land for residential use

Members were concerned that this appeared to be a retrospective application, as the land seemed to be under cultivation. The response was deferred pending information on ownership of the site and Members further noted that they would strenuously resist any development on the land should a change of use be permitted.

07/00876/APP

SUPPORT

35 Moreton Road
Part two storey, part one and half storey side extension

07/00923/APP

SUPPORT

32 Moreton Road
Single storey rear extension

07/00929/APP

SUPPORT

2 Lark Close
Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension
Members noted that the extension was not clearly subsidiary, but that the total design fitted well with the street scene.

07/00960/APP

SUPPORT

11 Chandos Close
Two storey rear and side extension
Members assumed that the modified proposal satisfied the 45° rule.

07/00965/ATC

SUPPORT

Castle House Wood and Car Park, off Western Avenue
Works to trees in woodland
Support was given subject to the arboriculturalist's report.

The following minor amended plans were posted for Members' information only:

07/00500/APP 38 Willow Drive

First floor side extension

Minor amendments: drawing to show parking arrangements for 3 cars (omitted from original application drawing set).

07/00661/APP part of Cornwalls Meadow Car Park
Temporary building for Shop Mobility unit and wheelchair crossing point Verney Close
Minor amendments realign footpath at rear of supermarket to avoid trees; bollards have been placed in front of unit to prevent vehicles running down clients and the access ramp to the unit turned through 90° to lie along the building front.

07/00784/APP 43 Embleton Way
Two storey side extension and rear conservatory
Minor amendments to parking layout

5037 PLANNING CONTROL

The following planning decisions were received from Aylesbury Vale District Council;

APPROVED

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| 06/03054/ALB 30 West Street | Repairs to upper floors, new staircase | Support |
| 06/03189/APP Park Manor Farm | front, side and 1 st floor extns, inc. garage | Support |
| 07/00350/ATC 16 West St | Fell one sycamore | Support |

REFUSED

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| 06/03185/APP Manor Farm Ho., Moreton Rd. | Erection of two storey detached dwelling | Support |
| 07/00274/ATP Land at Bernardine's Way | Fell Thorn, Ash, Rowan; crown works | Oppose |

NO OBJECTION

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| 07/00717/ACC The Buckingham School (CC/07/07) | 2.4m fence on southern boundary | Support |
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REPORTS TO DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

A report on the following application had been received and was available in the office
07/00661/APP Cornwall's Meadow Car Park Temporary Building for Shopmobility Unit

APPEAL DECISION

06/00939/APP 70 Moorhen Way Two storey front extension
The Inspector has allowed the appeal and granted planning permission

5038 PLANNING - OTHER MATTERS

5038.1 Invitation to Mr. J. Cannell to address the meeting on 21st May 2007
It was felt new Members would benefit from a meeting with Mr. Cannell.

5038.2 Planning and Design Guidelines for the land behind Market Hill
2 copies of the final version were available from the Office.

5039 CORRESPONDENCE

5039.1 (5030.2) Osprey Walk flooding

BCC had written that the flooding was caused by excessive run-off from fields by the ring road, not by problems with the ditches, and asked for the landowner's details.

It was pointed out that, before the bypass was built, the water was conveyed by a ditch via the brook to the river. Now the water passes under the highway and then under the Osprey Walk houses. The complainant had asked for the Council's help in obtaining the relevant maps indicating responsibility – historically and presently – for the drainage in this area.

Proposed by Cllr. Stevens, seconded by Cllr. Loftus and AGREED to suspend Standing Orders to enable Cllr. Isham to speak.

Cllr. Isham said that the Drainage Board was the correct entity to approach for this information; he would furnish the contact details.

ACTION CLLR. ISHAM

Proposed by Cllr Stevens, seconded by Cllr. Stuchbury and AGREED to reinstate Standing Orders.

5039.2 (5032.1) Verney Close disabled bay

AVDC had acknowledged receipt with case number & officer's name.

5039.3 (5032.2) Moreton Rd. Traffic Assessment

BCC's response had been circulated with the agenda; Members agreed the matter could not be pursued further.

5040 PRESS RELEASES

No press releases were considered necessary.

5041 CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

Letter received from Mr. N. Skedge, AVDC

The Chairman reported that she had a letter as a result of matters raised at the last Buckingham Partnership meeting, re the several failings of the Planning Department. She would copy the letter to the Office so that a response could be made enclosing the list of points raised recently with various officers.

ACTION CLLR. STEVENS/CLERK

Members thanked the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for all their efforts over the past year. The Chairman thanked Members for their support.

Meeting closed at: 8.35pm

CHAIRMAN DATE