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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15th MARCH 2010 AT 7.00pm.

PRESENT:	Councillors	P. Hirons G. Loftus A. Mahi M. Smith Mrs. P. Stevens R. Stuchbury	(Vice Chairman)
	9	M. Try Mrs. H. Hill Mrs K.W. McElligott	(Co-opted member)

955/09 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor W. Whyte (Chairman)

956/09 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

957/09 Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15th February 2010 ratified at Full Council on 8th March 2010 were received and accepted.

Cllr. Try arrived.

958/09 Action list

746 could be deleted as superseded by 891.

582 Transport Users Group: Members were reminded that the successor organisation to the TUG was parking a bus in the bus stand on the morning of 16th March for community input. The Clerk was asked to convey a complaint that the 32 local bus did not always stop to pick up young people waiting at a bus stop.

959/09 Planning Applications

The following planning applications were received and discussed. -

10/00190/APP

1 Pitt Green Single storey side extension SUPPORT

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10/00230/APP

24 Embleton Way Conversion of garage into living accommodation

10/00345/APP

19 Hilltop Avenue Erection of conservatory

10/00347/APP

The Buckingham School, London Road Levelling of playground and erection of 4m perimeter fence Members noted the disparity between the fence height on the document (4m) and the drawing (3m). Members felt that 4m was excessive.

10/00358/APP

51 Bourtonville Two storey rear extension

10/00427/APP

4 Partridge Close

First floor side extension Members noted that there is also a small ground floor extension to the rear of the dwelling; support was given subject to Building Regulation confirmation that the foundations would be adequate to the additional weight of the extension.

10/00449/APP

5 Eider Close

Conversion of garage into home office use and erection of side link corridor Members expressed concern that the office part seemed to retain the original garage floor level; it should be raised for safety reasons. Support was given subject to compliance with Building Regulations in this aspect.

The following minor amended plans were posted for Members' information only: 09/01878/APP Manor Farm House, Moreton Road; change of use of extension to dwelling to create Children's Day Nursery

Amendment: better delineation of red line; explanation of why access is adequate (parents are expected to bring children on foot rather than drive)

Members felt that the likelihood of working parents walking their children to nursery and then returning home before driving to work was remote, and traffic would pile up at the entrance to the single-track lane at peak times, disrupting traffic flow on the Moreton Road.

09/02392/ALB Castle Ho., West St.; repl. of windows and doors and internal repairs Amendments: West wing roof repairs

West wing first floor and attic proposals (removed from application)

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960/09 Planning Control

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

Referred to Strategic Development Control Committee

09/02155/APP Land at Market Hill

Development of 38 Apartments, 24 dwellings, 244m² commercial floorspace, 113 parking spaces, access etc.

Approved

09/02354/APP Castle Ho. (Constr.garden terrace walls, steps & ramps	Support
09/02473/ALB 30 High St.	Replacement first floor window	Support
10/00039/APP 19 Meadway	 Rear ground floor extension 	Support

Refused

10/00015/APP 51 Bourtonville Two storey rear extension Support

Withdrawn (Permission not required)

10/00091/ATC 4 Chandos Road Reduction in height of conifer hedge

Members noted the above information.

961/09 (891) Conservation Area Study

The training had been arranged for 9pm on Monday 19th April 2010 in MB1 at the University (after the FA & P meeting).

Members suggested that, besides coverage in the *Advertiser*, other local history groups and University personnel could be contacted. There would also be publicity at the Annual Town Meeting on 24th March.

ACTION THE CLERK

962/09 Core Strategy

Cllr. Hirons gave a verbal report of the session attended by himself and Cllr. Smith the previous Friday on employment issues.

The soundness of the plans, particularly for Silverstone, had been looked at with particular respect to access; the Highways Agency representative attending had indicated that agreement had not yet been reached on necessary road upgrades.

Consideration was being given to attending the following Thursday's Viability and Infrastructure session; it was felt that attending in person was an advantage.

Members asked if any District Councillors had attended to support Buckingham; none had been at the sessions attended by Cllrs. Smith and Hirons.

963/09 AVA projects

963.1 (892) Verbal report on the Vision & Design workshop meeting held 4th March 2010

Cllr. Smith reported that some 16 people had attended the workshop, discussing parking, access, cycling and other key points the consultants are to report on.

963.2 (668) Verbal report on the meeting held at the Old Gaol re parking Cllr. Smith reported that the consultants had made themselves familiar with the town and various background documents produced by AVDC and BCC before the meeting. They aimed to report by the end of April.

964/09 (901) MK Core Strategy

Cllr. Hirons reportedly favourably on the document, which was well co-ordinated and thought out. Strength/Weakness/Opportunity/Threat analyses had been carried out and the strategic importance of the A421 emphasised. Targets such as reduction in car commuting were included.

Members noted there were implications for Bucks especially in regard to education provision.

The Clerk was asked to check the timetable for submissions, and the BCC figures for school places required and whether these took into account the increase in housing.

ACTION THE CLERK

965/09 Transport

(894.1) BCC Parking Policy – review of consultation

Cllr. Smith's full report and summary response had been circulated with the agenda. He was thanked for the work he had done on the review.

Proposed by Cllr. Smith, seconded by Cllr. Stevens, and **AGREED** that these be the Council's response to the consultation.

Members also noted that a one or two page executive summary would be a useful addition to such weighty consultations.

966/09 Planning – other matters

966.1 (821.2) To receive a verbal report on the meeting with MKSM Transform held on Friday 5th March 2010

Cllr. Hirons reported that the aim of the organisation was to raise the quality of design, and the meeting had aired suggestions on how they might help the Council.

966.2 Community Infrastructure Levy – to receive information from AVDC & RIBA The Levy would eventually replace the s106 system of developer contributions, but no guidelines had yet been formulated for its implementation. AVDC would continue until these were available and then consider how they would work. It looked as though developer money would be spent on infrastructure rather than community facilities such as playgrounds.

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Members felt that a primary aim for the town was to get an adequate sewerage and drainage system; community projects such as additional allotments and an extension to the cemetery would become necessary as existing facilities were not adequate to the increased population. A response would be sent to Mr. Byrne asking how the interim period was to be organised if the CIL was not in place when new development starts.

966.3 To note receipt of Vale Trends, Issue 8.

966.4 BALC Planning Workshops: to agree attendance at the workshop Cllr. Try and the Deputy Town Clerk would attend.

967/09 Correspondence

Dark Alley

To receive a copy of a letter to the Royal Latin School from Keyholder Lettings & Management Ltd.

Members were pleased that it looked as if a Right of Way was finally to be established. The Clerk was asked to check if the confirmation letter requested had been received.

968/09 News releases

9681. Conservation Survey 968.2 Dark Alley

969/09 Chairman's Items

The Chairman had no items to add.

970/09 Date of the next meeting:

Monday 12th April 2010 following the Interim Council meeting

Meeting closed at: 8.50pm

CHAIRMAN DATE

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