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PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on Wednesday 10th July 2024 at 7.00 pm in the Wren Room, St Marks Church and Community Centre, Calder Rise, Brickhill

Present:

Cllrs Blakeman, Grant, the Clerk (Mrs S Bottoms) and two members of the public.

Item	Description
1.	Apologies for Absence: None.
2.	Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda: None.
3.	To confirm the minutes of Thursday 6th June 2024: These were signed as a true record of the meeting.
4.	Public Open Sessions (10 minutes): The two members of the public attended to discuss with the Committee 24/01146/FUL 277 Kimbolton Road (see under 5i below) and to establish if the Planning Committee had any remaining objections or comments.
5.	To Review and Comment on the Following Planning Applications: i) 24/01146/FUL 277 Kimbolton Road, MK41 8AQ. Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of detached 2 storey dwelling and detached bungalow, new vehicular access and ancillary works. The Planning Committee had no objections or comments to make. ii) 24/01057/FUL St Thomas More Upper Va School, Tyne Crescent, MK41 7UL. The installation of 2m-tall flatform twin-wire weld-mesh fencing around the school's field. The Planning Committee had no objections or comments to make. iii) 24/01243/FUL Land fronting Avon Drive, adjacent Highfield Residential Home.



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	<p>Construction and operation of a micro energy storage project.</p> <p>The Planning Committee did not object to the application but agreed to raise some concerns.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. It is understood that such units emit a level of noise. Whilst it appreciated that as elsewhere, this unit may have noise attenuation screening surrounding it, that will not help those residents in the adjacent flats who are located above the screening.2. It is understood that such units must be located within a set distance from a substation. How is the unit to be connected? Will this involve digging up the car park?3. Given the current levels of concern regarding fire and lithium-ion batteries, what level of fire risk does such a unit pose, especially given its location near a residential home with many vulnerable residents. <p>iv) 23/02757/COU 7 Irthing Close, MK41 7TP.</p> <p>Change of use from Class C3 (dwellinghouse) to Class C2 (residential institution). Amended/Additional Plans.</p> <p>The Planning Committee agreed to object to this application on the following grounds:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. There is no information supplied with regards to the nature of the residents to be housed for example:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What level of learning or mental difficulties will they have?• Is the security level at the property high enough as the property is in a residential area and any written evidence with regards this.• There is no sight of any risk assessment with regards impact on the local community• There is no sight of the police recommendations.2. There is inadequate parking provided at the property. It is clear from the information provided that there will be three carers on site at any time. This may involve three cars increasing to six cars at the change over times between the two sets of three carers.

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	<p>There may well be other regular visitors attending the site to deal with other needs of the residents. No assumptions can be made that the carers etc will use public transport or share vehicles.</p> <p>3. The Planning Committee understands from a third source that this application is retrospective as it is already being used for the purposes applied for through this application. It also understands that there has been police involvement with this property.</p>
6.	<p>To Receive a List of Planning Decisions from the Borough Received since the Last Meeting:</p> <p>None.</p>
7.	<p>Late applications:</p> <p>24/01289/FUL 235 Kimbolton Road, MK41 8AE.</p> <p>Construction of brick piers and electrically operational gates.</p> <p>The Planning Committee had no objections or comments to make.</p>

Approved and signed by

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Chairman
1st August 2024