

LEIGHTON-LINSLADE TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 1930 HOURS

Present: Councillors C Palmer – in the Chair
 A Dodwell
 G Perham
 D Bowater
 P Carberry
 R Yates

Also in attendance: M Saccoccio (Town Clerk)
 S Sandiford (Head of Democratic and Central
 Services)
 B Callender (Highways, Central Bedfordshire
 Council)
 Cllr M Freeman (joining remotely)

Members of the public: 0

250/P APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors A Gray, J Silverstone and S Owen.

251/P DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor D Bowater declared an interest as a substitute member of the Central Bedfordshire Development Management Committee.

No pecuniary interests were declared and no dispensations were requested.

252/P QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from the public.

253/P MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee received the minutes of the Planning and Transport Committee meeting held on 27 October 2021.

Minute reference 247/P: it was understood that the application for The Star, Heath Road (CB/21/04275) had now been withdrawn. It was agreed to follow up the status of applications for Chamberlains Barn (CB/21/04481/RM) and the Shenley Hill link road (CB/21/03291)

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning and Transport Committee meeting held 27 October 2021 be approved as a correct record and were signed accordingly.

254/P PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee reviewed applications received up until Friday 12 November 2021.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council that no objection be made to application reference CB/21/04402 (43 Melfort Drive) subject to parking standards being met, no concerns raised by Highways and no objections from neighbours in respect of the proposed balcony.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council that objection be made to application reference CB/21/04760 (83 Plantation Road) on the grounds of lack of car parking (in a very congested area) and potential privacy issues due to overlooking of neighbouring properties.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council that no objection be made to application reference CB/21/04753 (11 Plover Road) subject to car parking standards being met.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council that no objection be made to application reference CB/21/04819 (8 Albany Road) but that the town council would raise serious concerns regarding lack of adequate car parking in a very congested area as well as potential issues with privacy and overlooking of neighbouring properties.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council that objection be made to application reference CB/21/04814 (11 Miles Avenue) as this new application was clearly a change from the previous application and indicated an intention to use the roof terrace, resulting in loss of privacy and overlooking; in addition, parking standards would not be met.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council that no objection be made to the following applications:

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| 1. | CB/21/046402 | 45 STOKE ROAD |
| 2. | CB/21/04679 | 18 CONISTON ROAD |
| 3. | CB/21/04670 | MINI CLIPPER SITE, BILLINGTON ROAD |
| 4. | CB/21/04681 | 468 BIDEFORD GREEN, LINSLADE |
| 5. | CB/21/04810 | 75 WATERDELL |
| 6. | CB/21/03920 | ST HELIER, BOSSINGTON LANE,
LINSLADE |
| 7. | CB/21/04103 | 26 LAKE STREET |
| 8. | CB/21/04881 | SHEPHERDS LAW, HILLSIDE ROAD |
| 9. | CB/21/04722 | 87B SOUTH STREET |

TREES

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| 1. | CB/TRE/21/00518 | 15 ST ANDREWS STREET |
| 2. | CB/TCA/21/00525 | 17 CHURCH AVENUE |

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| 3. CB/TCA/21/00383 | 17-21 ROPA COURT |
| 4. CB/TRE/21/00537 | CLAREMONT HOUSE, LOVENT DRIVE |
| 5. CB/TRE/21/00570 | 10 REDWOOD GLADE |
| 6. CB/TRE/21/00532 | 44 REDWOOD GROVE |

255/P TRANSPORT MATTERS

By invitation, Ben Callender of Central Bedfordshire Highways attended the meeting. Following concerns raised by the Committee, it was agreed to further investigate and report back on:

- (i) Any potential traffic calming measures proposed for Vandyke Road to enhance safety for residents and for children attending the local schools;
- (ii) Overgrown vegetation on the footpath between Parson's Close Recreation Ground and Grovebury Road;
- (iii) The process for quality control of patching work done by contractors (e.g. Station Road repair);
- (iv) Replacement of bollards/railings on Vimy Road to protect the high volume of pedestrians;
- (v) Uneven slabs and lack of colour matching of repairs in the High Street, particularly around the Market Cross;
- (vi) Cracking of the road surface and potential for re-surfacing work on Brooklands Avenue, although it was noted that there was generally a four-year lead time for resurfacing works.

It was confirmed that colleagues in street lighting had been made aware of issues on the footpath between Parson's Close Recreation Ground and Grovebury Road and had also been asked to provide more descriptive information when updating reports logged on Fix My Street. It was noted that from a backlog of 150 outstanding jobs reported via Fix My Street, this was now reduced to around 30 remaining. It was confirmed that uneven paving at the North Street roundabout was scheduled to be re-set.

In response to a query about lack of dropped kerbs in some areas, it was noted that this was the case on some older roads and it was anticipated that where required, dropped kerbs could start to be installed in the next financial year.

Mr Callender was thanked for attending the meeting.

256/P STREET NAMING

The Committee considered correspondence dated 27 October 2021 from Central Bedfordshire Council regarding street naming for new dwellings at The Brambles, Vandyke Road. The names Jeffery and Neal had been suggested.

RESOLVED to note the correspondence and express a preference for Neal.

257/P INFORMATION ITEMS

The Committee received and noted correspondence from Central Bedfordshire Council dated 1 November 2021 regarding the dismissal of an appeal for planning application CB/20/02885/FULL (7 Harcourt Close).

The meeting closed at 2033 hours.

I HEREBY CONFIRM THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD OF THE MEETING HELD 17 NOVEMBER 2021.

Chair

8 DECEMBER 2021