



Minutes of a meeting held at St Mark's Church, Calder Rise on Thursday 5th June 2014 commencing at 6pm

Present: Cllrs Blakeman, Wilkins, Reeve, Chrusciak and Mulvenney.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** None.
2. **Election of Chairman for 2014-15:** Peter Blakeman was proposed by Cllr Mulvenney and seconded by Cllr Reeve. There being no other nominations, Cllr Blakeman was duly appointed as Chairman for the coming year.
3. **Declarations of Interest in Matters on the Agenda:** None.
4. **Public Open Session** (10mins): None
5. **Minutes of the last meeting:** the Minutes from the meeting held on 1st May 2014 were adopted as a true record of the meeting.
6. **Planning Applications:**
 - i) **14/00996/FUL 2 Kennet Rise, MK41 7TZ.** Single storey rear extension. **No objection.**
 - ii) **14/00653/COU 8 Westbury Court, Torridge Rise, MK41 7AN.** Change of use from office to residential. **No objections.**
 - iii) **14/00883/TELFUL Verge at junction of Brickhill Drive and Kimbolton Road (amended location).** Replacement of existing pole with a new one (12.5m high) and installation of 2no. New cabinets. **No objection.**
 - iv) **14/00568/FUL 280 Kimbolton Road, MK41 8AD.** Replacement of 1.8m high boundary wall (amended plan). The Committee were of the view that the proposed railings were not in keeping with the surrounding area. The section shown with railings should be replaced with a one metre high wall. If the resident required more privacy then the wall could be back filled with planting.
6. **To receive a list of planning decisions from the Borough received since the last meeting:**
 - i) **13/02547/DC3 Scott Lower School, 1 Hawk Drive, MK41 7JE.** Provision of New 3 Classroom Block and Extension to Car Park. **Permitted.**
 - ii) **14/00553/ADV Gordon Field Playing Field.** Erection of 14 wind breaks to fencing around sports pitches, displaying school logo (12 already displayed). **Permitted.**
 - iii) **14/00578/FUL 21 Cherwell Road, MK41 7AR.** First floor side extension and garage conversion. Single storey side extension to form new garage. Replacement roof to front lobby. **Permitted.**
 - iv) **14/00730/573A70 Hamble Road, MK41 7XW.** Change of use to residential garden land. **Permitted.**
 - v) **14/00731/FUL 12 Pipit Rise, MK41 7JS.** Single storey rear extension to form conservatory. **Permitted.**

- vi) **14/00818/FUL 13 Kestrel Road, MK41 7HR.** Two storey front/side extension. Single storey rear extension. **Permitted.**

7. **To review and comment on late planning applications/Other Matters:**

- i) **14/00852/FUL Land adjacent to 39 Rooksmead, MK41 7QX.** Detached bungalow. The Committee objected to this application. They were of the view that the proposed dwelling would disrupt the linear nature of the existing building line. The development proposed would fail to respect the character and urban grain of the existing area to the detriment of the existing street scene.
- ii) **Bedford Borough Council's Parking Standards for Sustainable Communities, Design and Good Practice:** The Parish Council made the following comments. Pg 8 first paragraph under Highways Parking, the report stated: The arrangement of parked cars within the street can have a beneficial effect in terms of slowing traffic. The Committee wished to add: but consideration must be given to any negative impact on the free-flow of traffic and the access for buses and emergency vehicles. Pg 9 2nd paragraph in the report states: visitor parking should be within the public domain – avoid putting into rear courtyards. The Committee asked that sufficient visitor parking should be provided for as the amount allowed by developers is frequently insufficient.

Signed by Chairman 3rd July 2014