

# Flitwick Town Council

Minutes of the 343rd Meeting of the Planning Committee held on Thursday 19th November 2020 at the Rufus Centre

Open Forum

There were no items.

**Committee Members Present :-** Councillor J Dann  
Councillor P Dodds (Chairman)  
Councillor P Earles  
Councillor M Platt (Vice Chairman)  
Councillor R Shaw

**Also in Attendance :-** Amenities Officer

**2736 To note declaration of interest on Agenda Items**

None.

**2737 To Accept Apologies for Absence**

No apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Halligan.

**2738 Chairman's Announcements**

None.

**2739 Minutes**

All Members agreed the minutes were a true recording of the meeting held on 29th October 2020.

**2740 Matters Arising**

The Chairman commented that no update was available in relation to the Aldi application.

**2741 Planning applications for consideration**

2741- 1	20/00555/TRE	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	TRE
	Applicant Name :-	Mr Michael Martin	Date Received :-	05/11/2020
	Location :-	11 Naseby Place Flitwick Beds MK45 1FB	Date Returned :-	23/11/2020
	Proposal :	Works to trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order: MK/00/00007/T1: reduce walnut tree (T1) by 30%, raise canopy and remove deadwood.		
	Observations :	FTC - Support Vote: all in favour		

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2741- 2	20/00613/TRE	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	TRE
	Applicant Name :-	Mr Nash (CBC)	Date Received :-	29/10/2020
	Location :-	Compton Close Flitwick Beds MK45 1TA	Date Returned :-	23/11/2020
	Proposal :	Works to trees protected by a Preservation Order: T1-4 & T7-15 Lime trees to repollard to previous points, remove basal and epicormic growth. Arising will be removed to MB/TPO/76/00007 (G2)		
	Observations :	FTC - Support Vote: all in favour		

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2741- 3	20/00632/TRE	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	TRE
	Applicant Name :-	Mr Adrian Archer	Date Received :-	05/11/2020
	Location :-	Principle Estate Manager Canterbury Court The Hawthorns MK45 1FL	Date Returned :-	23/11/2020
	Proposal :	Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order: MB/01/00003, works to various trees (mainly severing ivy, remove deadwood and fell sycamore tree T18)		
	Observations :	FTC - Support Vote: all in favour		

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2741- 4	20/03695/FUL	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	FULL
	Applicant Name :-	Mrs Tracey	Date Received :-	29/10/2020
	Location :-	22 Greenways Flitwick Beds MK45 1DA	Date Returned :-	23/11/2020
	Proposal :	Outbuilding at rear to be extended and converted into an annex, with new dropped kerb.		
	Observations :	FTC - Support Vote: all in favour		

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2741- 5	20/03877/FUL	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	FULL
	Applicant Name :-	Mr & Mrs Briggs	Date Received :-	29/10/2020
	Location :-	26 Trafalgar Drive Flitwick Beds MK45 1EF	Date Returned :-	23/11/2020
	Proposal :	Demolition of existing conservatory with single storey rear extension & partial garage conversion.		
	Observations :	FTC - Support Vote: all in favour		

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## **2742 To note planning decisions from Central Bedfordshire**

Members noted the Planning decisions from CBC.

## **2743 Correspondence received**

1. CBC advised that an enforcement case had been created for 46 The Paddocks, Flitwick, Beds, CB/EN/20/0490.
2. CBC advised that the enforcement case for Valley Farm Cottages, Steppingley Road, Flitwick, Beds had been closed as no breach of planning control had been identified.

## **2744 Highways Matters**

Members noted the minutes of the Highways Meeting held on 2nd November 2020.

Cllr Shaw expressed concern with regards to several dangerous trees within Flitwick, Ward Councillors had suggested at the Highways meeting that the Town Council could write to the residents who were responsible for these. The Amenities Officer felt this was not the Town Council's responsibility and could leave the Council open to liability. It was suggested the best approach would be to report any dangerous trees to CBC via the portal or at the Highways meeting. Cllr Dann asked for an update on the Speedwatch scheme, the Chairman advised that correspondence had been received from the Police regarding setting the scheme up and it would be advertised in January via Flitwick Papers and Social Media.

Cllr Earles commented that the rubbish behind the bottle banks within Tesco Car Park were causing rats. The Amenities Officer agreed to contact Tesco regarding this matter.

## **2745 MHCLG Planning Consultations**

Members noted the NALC response to the MHCLG Planning Consultations.

**2746 Local Plan Updates**

Members noted the updates.

**2747 Flitwick Station Interchange Project**

Members felt that the most appropriate meeting to receive updates in relation to the Station Interchange Project would be at the Planning Committee. This would give other Members the opportunity to attend the meetings. Members agreed every other meeting would be adequate and that a written report would also be acceptable.

It was RECOMMENDED that CBC attend the Planning Meetings to provide updates on the Station Interchange Project. Vote: all in favour.

**2748 Questions**

Cllr Platt commented that the edging outside Barclays Bank has started to crack. The Amenities Officer agreed to contact CBC regarding this.

The Meeting closed at : 8.44pm

Signed : \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

On behalf of :-

Flitwick Town Council