

Flitwick Town Council

Planning Committee

Minutes of the 362nd Meeting of the Planning Committee held on Thursday 6th January 2022 online via Teams.

Open Forum

There were no items.

Committee Members Present :- Councillor Chacko
Councillor P Dodds (Chairman)
Councillor P Earles
Councillor J Gleave (Vice Chairman)
Councillor Hodges
Councillor M Platt
Councillor Roberts

Also in Attendance :- Cllr K Badham
Environmental Services Officer

2947 To note declaration of interest on Agenda Items

There were no declarations of interest.

2948 To Accept Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr R Shaw.

2949 Chairman's Announcements

There were no announcements.

2950 Minutes

Members Received and Adopted the Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 8th December 2021.

2951 Matters Arisiing

The following matters were raised from the Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 8th December 2021.

Aldi - there was no further information to report.

Neighbourhood Plan Responses - approximately six responses from interested residents have been received so far. The Marketing and Communications Manager will be promoting this again ahead of the working group meeting planned for 12th January.

Speedwatch - The Environmental Services Team will follow up regarding dates for training.

Highways - Cllr Gleave will continue to compile any comments from Members to send to Highways. Cllr Dodds raised the issue of a pothole on the speed ramp at the end of Manor Way and will report this direct to CBC via their portal.

2952 Planning applications for consideration

2952-1	21/05143/FUL	Plot Ref :-	Type :-	FULL
	Applicant Name :-	Flitwick Hand Car Wash	Date Received :-	14/12/2021
	Location :-	Flitwick Hand Car Wash 1 High Street Flitwick MK45 1DU	Date Returned :-	10/01/2022
	Proposal :	First floor extension to create an office and conversion of ground floor to takeaway.		
	Observations :	FTC OBJECT to this application on the grounds of potential impact of noise and odour on nearby residents from the proposed use as a takeaway. Further information is required on the impact and mitigation of noise and odour.		

2952-2 21/05217/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
 Applicant Name :- FLITWICK TOWN COUNCIL Date Received :- 10/12/2021
 Location :- MANOR PARK SOUTH GATE Date Returned :- 10/01/2022
 A5120
 FLITWICK
 MK45 1AH

 Proposal : Restoration and repair of South Gate and Ornamental Bridge

 [To Note by FTC Planning Committee]

 Observations : FTC Noted this application

2952-3 21/05218/LB Plot Ref :- Type :- LB
 Applicant Name :- FLITWICK TOWN COUNCIL Date Received :- 10/12/2021
 Location :- MANOR PARK SOUTH GATE Date Returned :- 10/01/2022
 A5120
 FLITWICK
 MK45 1AH

 Proposal : Listed Building: Repair and restore the South Gate and Ornamental Bridge, dismantle and repair of the brick piers, replace modern timber gate with new metal gate, dismantle defective parts to the ornamental bridge with repairs to the substructure and build new bridge with repair to railings.

 [To Note by FTC Planning Committee]

 Observations : FTC Noted this application

2952-4 21/05324/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
 Applicant Name :- Mrs G Garoli Date Received :- 09/12/2021
 Location :- 20 PRIMROSE CLOSE Date Returned :- 10/01/2022
 FLITWICK
 BEDS
 MK45 1PJ

 Proposal : Proposed demolition of single storey rear extension, and erection of single storey rear extensions, on similar footprint.

 Observations : FTC raise NO OBJECTION to this application

2952-5 21/05414/FUL Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
 Applicant Name :- Mr Daren Eyles Date Received :- 17/12/2021
 Location :- 33 Gardeners Close Date Returned :- 10/01/2022
 Flitwick
 Beds
 MK45 5BU

 Proposal : Single storey rear extension and garage conversion

 Observations : FTC raise NO OBJECTION to this application

2953 To receive any additional planning applications

There were no additional planning applications

2954 Planning Enforcement Case - CB/EN/21/0545

This item was noted.

It was commented that a licence had been issued by CBC but a change of use had not been applied for.

2955 To note planning decisions from Central Bedfordshire

Noted.

2956 Windmill Road Proposed No Waiting Scheme

Members discussed the proposed scheme. It was felt that the scheme does not address the problem

that this is a narrow road that is used as a cut through to cross the railway and that traffic regularly mounts the pavement. Also that enforcement will be required to prevent parking on the proposed yellow lines. It was commented that there may be an impact on the use of the shop as people regularly stop to drop off and collect parcels.

It was RESOLVED to send in a note of concerns to CBC Highways, to include the above comments and to send a copy to Ward Councillors.

2957 Highways

There were no further Highways matters raised.

2958 Marketing and Communication Plan

Noted.

2959 Marketing and Communications Forward Plan

Noted.

2960 Planning Committee Priorities for 2022/23

Members discussed whether it should be a priority to consider how to procure the services of consultants if and when required to assist the Town Council with responses to planning applications.

This matter was DEFERRED with a request for the Environmental Services Team to look into ways that consultants could be engaged and to bring recommendations to a future meeting.

2961 Planning Committee Financial Papers

Members considered the reports. It was a concern that reducing the budget for Professional Services from £10 to £1k in 2022/23 would not be sufficient for professional advice and training.

2962 Questions

None.

The Meeting closed at : 20:45

Signed : _____ Chairman Date: _____

On behalf of :- _____ Flitwick Town Council