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For information TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

The next Planning Committee meeting of Milton Parish Council will be held in the Parish Council Office on 15 February 2010 at 7.30pm

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence**
- 2 Declarations of Interest**
- 3 Approval of minutes of the planning meeting held on 18 January 2010 (page 2)**
- 4 Planning Decisions**

Mr P Newton (PC7/04-10) – 34 Butt lane – extension - **approved**. Details of materials for external surfaces shall follow specification on the application form. No windows, doors or openings of any kind other than those authorised by this permission to be constructed on east side of elevation.

5 New applications

S/0051/10 Mr Ilie Obancea – Barley House Cambridge Road (r/o 22 Cambridge Road) – insertion of window in east elevation (retrospective)

S/0071/10 Cambridge Assessment – Unit 332 Science Park – brick and fence enclosure to contain new back-up generator and associated equipment; and the addition of new A/C condenser units stacked on existing

S/0097/10 Mr A De Simone – land to the South-west of Lea Court Coles Road – single dwelling

S/0080/10 Mr N Johnson 1 Knights Way – 2 storey rear extension



Jim Daniels
Clerk

Minutes of the Planning Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 18 January 2010 at 7.00pm in the Bowls Pavilion

Present: RJ Farrington (chair) JE Coston R Day HM Smith RT Summerfield RLE Waters
The clerk and Asst Clerk

1 Apologies for absence – RH Chapman B Jefferson.

2 Declarations of Interest - HMS personal (member of SCDC Planning Committee); application S/1858/09 personal (has car serviced at Godden Autos).

3 Minutes - the minutes of the meeting held on 21 September were approved and signed as a true record.

4 Planning Decisions

R Cave plot adj unit 24 Cave Industrial Estate Chesterton Fen (P5/9-09) – erection of offices and associated car parking – **approved. Conditions applicable: surface water drainage, foul water drainage /pollution prevention.**

Milton Parish Council – land at Landbeach Road (PC7/12-09) - change of use from agricultural to recreation land (to extend the time limit for implementation) – land south of Stanton Farm – **approved. Conditions refer to details of boundary treatment and a scheme for car parking.**

5 New applications

S/1730/09/RM Helical Ltd former EDF depot and training centre Ely Road (pc 7/12-09)- approval for the appearance, Landscaping, layout and scale of outline planning application S/1601/08 for 100 retirement units, including the setting of North Lodge, 1 warden’s unit, central facilities building, sports pavilion, football pitches, hard and soft landscaping including the restoration of the parkland setting and lake to emulate the Humphrey Repton landscape – **no recommendation.**

Comments:

“Generally, the parish council commends what is proposed by URV. It is obvious that they have made a commitment to this very important historical site. However, we do have some reservations that we would like addressed.

We notice that the plans submitted with the reserve matters do not reflect those in the S106 Agreement. We understand that Iwan Jones is waiting for SCDC’s input before making the necessary amendments to the plans so that all the changes can be made at once. That is fine, we just wanted to note that the plans should marry with the S106. For example, the football pitches should be changed to the Recreation Area agreed upon in the S106. Also, the siting of the pavilion is incorrect (e-mail from Iwan dated 16/11/09 refers) -- it should be sited halfway down the car park. Also, the front of the pavilion should face the recreation area. In the e-mail Iwan also mentions the use of renewable energy products in the pavilion, but we do not see this in the Reserve Matters application. Again, these are all matters we have discussed with Iwan and we understand that he will make these changes after the discussion with SCDC.

The parish council does have a serious concern about the Drainage Report prepared by URS which is contained in the Reserve Matters application. We find this report to be misleading. It does not reflect the fact that the lake in question is on a watercourse and that there is an inflow from various ditches in the village into this lake, and then an outflow. In our opinion, there is no need for a complex flow control. We also believe the lining of the lake is unnecessary. The scheme as proposed could result in flooding further upstream and interferes with the natural functions of the unlined lake.

Concerning the Lake & Woodland Strategy. Our observations are:

Page 4, Section 3.2: Suggest reinstate sluice at southeast end of lake.

Page 4, Section 3.5: Presume there is no Salix species (willow)

Page 6, Section 4.1: Informal footpath should enter the woods as it originally did (map ca. 1886 from the Milton Chronicle shows this).

Page 9, Section 5.7: Gates to discourage access to south side of lake. Why not keep access? This is the larger side of the lake, is quite open and its use should be encouraged rather than discouraged.

Page 10, Section 6.1: Bird & bat boxes. Should include owl boxes as well, since Cam Conservators are encouraging owls as well.

Page 11, Section 7.1: We welcome provision of an informal path that local community have permissive rights over.

Page 12, Section 8.5: Tree planting. Would suggest larch, field maple, alder, holly and Norway maple to be included. But exclude ash, which along with sycamores, is very invasive; both self set as a weed.

Tree work schedule: Some trees earmarked to be removed could have crown reduction instead, thus preserving these trees.

Notes on accuracy of report:

1. Tree #1 is actually on Highways land and should not be included.

2. References to Rempton should read Repton.

Planting near the houses. Rosa is too thorny and not suitable. Mahonia has very invasive roots and will be a problem.

In conclusion, we feel that a site meeting would be very beneficial between South Cambs officers and consultants to the developer to resolve these matters. We would like to have two representatives at this meeting to present the parish council viewpoint (as well as District Councillor Hazel Smith)."

S/1858/09 Godden Auto Services Ltd Bene't Garage 61 Cambridge Road – demolition of three single storey storage/tyre fitting garages and erection of one and a half storey garage building on expanded footprint serving the same function and providing additional workshop space - **approve**.

S/1895/09/A College of West Anglia - various signs – **no recommendation**.

The meeting ended at 7.55pm.

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