

Minutes of the Planning Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on Monday 17 August 2009 at 7.30pm in the Parish Office

Present: RJ Farrington (chair) RH Chapman JE Coston R Day
 HM Smith RT Summerfield RLE Waters
 Asst Clerk

- 1 **Election of Chairman** – RD proposed RJF; HMS seconded; RJF elected Chairman unanimously.
- 2 **Apologies for absence** – B Jefferson.
- 3 **Declarations of Interest** - HMS personal (member of SCDC Planning Committee).
- 4 **Minutes** - the minutes of the meeting held on 29 June 2009 were approved and signed as a true record.

5 Planning Decisions

Mrs S Lee 6 Sunningdale Park Chesterton Fen (P5/6-09) – retention of day room not built within accordance of Condition Iii of Appeal Decision APP/W0530/C/08/2079175 dated 18 February 2009

Refused. Inappropriate development in Green Belt.

Cambridge Mencap 1 High Street (PC7/7-09) – change of use from residential (C3) to residential care home (C2)

Approved.

6 New Applications

S/0842/09 Ms Debbie Davis 8 The Sycamores (PC5/6-09) – extension

Application withdrawn

S/1005/09 Miss Rosie Davey 63 Cambridge Road – rear extension

No recommendation. Comment: No light to Lounge apart from door to Family Room.

S/1018/09 Mr & Mrs I McGuinness 10 Goding Way – single storey rear extension and first floor balcony

Refuse. Comment: Balcony intrusive to neighbours; Loss of privacy to neighbours.

S/0904/09 Equitable Life and Assurance Society Ltd Unit 220 Science Park – 3 roof chillers and cycle shelter

No recommendation.

S/1072/09 Mrs Lorraine Newton 109 The Sycamores – first floor extension over existing garage, kitchen and utility

No recommendation.

S/1128/09 Mr Ron Holmes 45 High Street – erection of store, garages and garden room

No recommendation. Comment: Usage should be restricted to ancillary use of 45 High Street.

7 Appeal

S/1792/08 Mr C Goldsmith against refusal of planning permission for a 120 Bed Hotel and Restaurant together with Associated Parking and Infrastructure on land between A14 Eastbound on the slip road and Cambridge Road Milton

It was **AGREED**

to place this item on the September Parish Council agenda and on the parish council website; re-submit the parish council's original comments on the application; determine the date of the hearing.

Action: Asst Clerk

[Asst Clerk's note: I e-mailed SCDC Appeals and they replied that it is too early in the process for a hearing date on this appeal to have been offered or decided upon yet.]

8 Gypsy and Traveller Community Strategy (PC7/7-09)

It was **AGREED**

to place this item on the September Parish Council agenda.

Action: Asst Clerk

9 Gypsy and Traveller Site Consultation

HMS reported that SCDC had been out to interview site residents although summer was not an ideal time for consultation as many residents were on holiday. Two pitches have been earmarked for play areas and residents are concerned that their pitches will be taken over for this use. It was **AGREED**

to place this item on the September Parish Council agenda and invite Keith Miles from SCDC to attend the meeting and answer questions on this issue.

Action: Asst Clerk

10 Chairman’s Delegation Procedure

Comberton Parish Council had sent a letter expressing concern about the Chairman’s Delegation Procedure at SCDC Planning. In Comberton’s view, powers are being taken away from both parish and district councillors. Comberton wishes to see the present system either changed or abolished and requests fellow parish councils to write SCDC in support of their view. HMS pointed out that there is a lot of development in South Cambridgeshire and, as the SCDC Planning Committee meets only once a month, a fair amount of delegation is needed to reach government targets. However, the present system of delegation was heavily criticized at a recent Scrutiny Meeting and there was general agreement that it requires revision. It was **AGREED**

to write to the SCDC Planning Portfolio Holder and the SCDC Planning Committee that Milton Parish Council, in principle, supports the views of Comberton Parish Council on the Chairman’s Delegation Procedure.

Action: Asst Clerk

The meeting ended at 8.35pm.

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