



**Central Milton Keynes Town Council
Planning Meeting held on 24th June 2015
At the Town Council office, Margaret Powell House,
413 Midsummer Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes**

Present: Andrew Thomas (Chair)
Ken Baker
Linda Inoki
Rebecca Kurth
Jon Muncaster (Planning Advisor)
Thomas Walker (Assistant Clerk)

Apologies: Paul Cranfield

	Notes	Actions
1	Apologies & Declarations of Interest No new declarations of interest were noted.	
2	Minutes The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 27 May 2015, as previously circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record, subject to the following amendments:- Item 7- para 3 delete- 'but it was felt that establishing that to do so would not be in the public interest could be challenging' Item 7- para 4 to be deleted and replaced with 'It was agreed to seek legal advice on the walkway agreement.' Item 7- para 5- delete all after 'removal of public space'	
3	Brief Notes of Meeting with MKCouncil The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. Diane Webber to be added to list of attendees. The view was expressed that the use of a Design Panel, such as that established by Cambridge City Council, should be replicated within MKCouncil. The Clerk to work with Councillor Baker and Planning Advisor to develop a paper on the work of Design Panels for consideration by the Town Council later this year, with a view to making a recommendation to MKCouncil to consider this route. Councillor Kurth suggested that a page be developed for the website encouraging developers to approach the Town Council for early discussions, emphasising the confidential nature of any such discussions. The page could also provide guidance on the nature of any such discussions. The suggestion was welcomed and the Clerk requested to develop confidentiality procedures to inform the web page.	PC/KB/JM PC
4	List of Planning applications for the last 28 days The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The Planning Advisor provided an outline of his enquiries on the 'minor'	

	<p>applications featured, which are not subject to individual scrutiny by the entire Planning Committee. A paper outlining his opinion on each application was noted. Concerns were expressed regarding the use of the terms 'CMKAP' and 'BNP' to reference the Business Neighbourhood Plan, with 'CMKAP' being preferred.</p> <p>The following responses to the applications were agreed upon:-</p> <p>15/01193/FUL Support</p> <p>15/01128/MKCOD3 Object- Only slight improvements to the original design. It was felt that 3 years could not be construed as 'temporary'. It was agreed to maintain the objection as previously submitted. It was further agreed that Councillor Baker would speak at Development Control when the application is featured.</p> <p>On a related matter, it was felt that the Town Council should develop its own art strategy.</p> <p>15/1076/ADV Object - In contravention of Policy G7d. The Planning Advisor to develop a form of words for the Clerk to submit,</p> <p>15/01118/FUL Support</p> <p>15/01119/ADV Support</p> <p>15/01287/FUL Support</p> <p>15/01145/FUL Support</p> <p>15/01049/FUL Object- Loss of open space contravenes Policy L2, and under Policy T15 additional parking should support new developments, which is not the case with this application.</p> <p>15/01050/FUL Object- Water feature is an integral part of the 'Octo' work of art. The sculpture belongs in its current setting. The proposal to relocate is against Policy G3.</p> <p>Additionally, there is to be a loss of 3 parking spaces and an alteration to the classic infrastructure for no apparent reason.</p> <p>It was felt that as part of the early development of CMK, designed to the original principles established for buildings in CMK, Norfolk and Ashton House are an unlisted asset which belong on a local list. The setting of the buildings and that of 'Octo', within its own setting as part of the whole, was considered a material consideration supporting refusal.</p> <p>The Town Council acknowledged the wayfinding issues and expressed a wish to work with the developer to address these in ways that avoided ugly changes to the elevation.</p> <p>Councillor Inoki agreed to assist the Planning Adviser in the drafting of both objections for circulation and comment prior to dispatch.</p>	<p>TC to consider</p> <p>JM</p>
5	<p>Application 15/01074/OUT- Intu The papers, as previously circulated, were noted.</p> <p>It was agreed that documents would be revised based upon professional advice received prior to an amended draft being circulated to all members of the Planning Committee for further comment and ratification.</p>	

6	<p>Application 15/00607/FUL- Kingsbridge House The decision to withdraw the objection to this application was ratified.</p>	
7	<p>Proposed Upgrade of Existing Base Station The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>Whilst the Planning Committee had no objection to the proposal, it was agreed that the Clerk enquire of Highways Officers whether they have been consulted, as it was felt that the upgrade could impede further highway expansion going forward.</p>	PC
	<p>The meeting closed at 7.50 pm</p> <p>Date of next formal meeting proposed as Wednesday 22 July 2015 at 6pm</p>	