



**Central Milton Keynes Town Council
Planning Meeting held on 29th April 2015
At the Town Council office, Margaret Powell House,
413 Midsummer Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes**

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

Apologies: Rebecca Kurth

	Notes	Actions
1	<p>Apologies & Declarations of Interest No new declarations of interest were noted.</p> <p>Prior to the commencement of the agenda'd items the Chair made the following observations:-</p> <p>-Planning Committee meetings are held in public and, even if there is no member of the public present, conduct of members and comments made should reflect the fact that members of the public could be present.</p> <p>-Members should be aware that they are not acting on behalf of individual members of the public, but have a role as elected members to speak on behalf of all residents to the best of their judgement.</p> <p>-The Business Neighbourhood Plan has policies within it which the Planning Committee needs to be mindful of when considering applications.</p> <p>-Deciding a position too early in the planning process can be damaging to the case being argued.</p>	
2	<p>Minutes The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 25 February 2015, as previously circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record.</p>	
3	<p>Matters Arising Theatre District Hotel- The Chair advised that his attempts to make the approval of the scheme conditional upon changes to the external design were not accepted by the Development Control Committee.</p> <p>Site Allocation Plans- The proposed response was agreed by the full Town Council and submitted.</p>	

4	<p>List of Planning applications for the last 28 days The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The Planning Advisor provided an outline of his enquiries on the 'minor' applications featured, which are not subject to individual scrutiny. A paper outlining his opinion on each application was noted.</p> <p>The following comments were made:-</p> <p>15/00675/ADV Support 15/00607/FUL Concerns were expressed with this application with regard to the design features of the proposed scheme. The design was viewed as being retrograde and detrimental to the appearance of the building as it currently exists. The apparent use of rendering to the building was not felt to adhere to current CMK Development Framework SPD guidance on material use. The Clerk to circulate a form of words prior to submission of an objection to the application.</p> <p>15/00648/ADV Support 15/00724/FUL No objection 15/00808/ADV & 15/00807/FUL There was a lack of clarity in the drawings how the frontages are to be re-sized. The Chair offered to contact Simon Peart to arrange a meeting with himself and the Planning Advisor to discuss further.</p> <p>15/00862/FUL No external amendments to the building. However, the Planning Committee wished to record its concern at the number of office units being converted to residential across the parish.</p> <p>15/00678/LBC & 15/00677/FUL Noted</p> <p>15/00612/FUL The manner in which the vertical ducting for the condenser unit sits on the outside of the column was a cause of concern. The Planning Advisor to draft a form of words for an objection to this on design grounds.</p>	<p>PC</p> <p>AT</p> <p>JM</p>
5	<p>Application 15/00874- Hotel for Leisure Plaza The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The application was noted and the Planning Committee agreed that, whilst it would not wish to support the application, it would not seek to object.</p>	
6	<p>Intu Plans- Meeting with MKCouncil Officers The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The invitation to speak with Officers with regard to the pending Intu application was welcomed. It was agreed that the meeting should take place at 10.30 on Friday 8 May, at the Town Council's office.</p> <p>The Clerk to confirm.</p> <p>The Chair commented that it was his view that if the application was dealt with on a planning basis only this would result in the reasons to refuse the application being weaker than if the transport corridor aspect of the application is considered first. MKCouncil could consider the corridor, deciding to agree to change it, leave it at the current agreed width or remove the restriction entirely.</p> <p>If it becomes apparent from the meeting that the intention is that the application will be addressed on planning grounds it was agreed in principle that the Chair of the Planning Committee will draft a letter to the Chief</p>	<p>PC</p>

	Executive of MKCouncil formally requesting that the transport aspects of the application are considered prior to the full planning application being placed before Development Control Committee and that a position in this regard is determined.	
7	<p>MKDP Year Two Review The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The Committee agreed that it would be valuable for the full Town Council to meet annually with representatives from MKDP to discuss future plans for the land within CMK in its ownership.</p>	
8	<p>Response to Barratt's following joint meeting The Clerk circulated copies of the email sent to Barratt's in respect of their amended proposals for B4.4.</p> <p>The Chair provided some background to the meeting and the proposals, noting that the scheme as presented would fall outside of the guidance within the Business Neighbourhood Plan, and, as such, the Planning Committee could not support the scheme.</p>	
	<p>The meeting closed at 7.10 pm</p> <p>Date of next formal meeting proposed as Wednesday 27 May 2015 at 6pm</p>	