



**Central Milton Keynes Town Council  
Planning Committee Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
At Margaret Powell House,  
413 Midsummer Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes**

**Present:** Andrew Thomas (Chair)  
Oya Discombe  
Linda Inoki  
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)  
Thomas Walker (Planning Responses)

**Apologies:** Andre Brady, Rebecca Kurth

**Absent:** Amir Chahardehi

**Members of the Public:** None

	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Actions</b>
P20/001	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies were received from Councillors Brady and Kurth.	
P20/002	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> No declarations of interest were recorded.	
P20/003	<b>Minutes</b> The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2019, as previously circulated, were agreed as a true record and signed as such by the Chair.	
P20/004	<b>19/03425/FUL &amp; 19/03426/LBC Middleton Hall Ceiling and Fire Safety Modifications</b> The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.  It was agreed that the modifications were necessary for the safety of users of the centre:mk. Councillors expressed satisfaction that in undertaking the modifications the clutter which has developed over the years in and around the columns will be removed. The response as follows:-  <b>Support – The Town Council appreciates the attention to detail and care taken with the application.</b>	
P20/005	<b>19/02984/FUL &amp; 19/02985/LBC, Changes to Octo Square</b> The submission, as previously circulated, was ratified.	
P20/006	<b>19/03160/FUL Retrospective Application for Pergola, Midsummer Tap</b> The submission, as previously circulated, was ratified.	
P20/007	<b>19/03160/FUL Retrospective Application for Pergola, Midsummer Tap</b>	

	<p>The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The Chair noted that, whilst the above submission had been lodged in objection to the application, subsequent information had come forward which necessitated that the Planning Committee considers the application further.</p> <p>The Chair advised that the second report from the Planning Advisor on the application identified the main concern as being the impeded visibility lines as a result of the pergola, rather than the physical obstruction it may cause.</p> <p>After some discussion it was agreed that the objection as lodged could not be substantiated, and the following supplementary submission should be lodged:-</p> <p><b>Neutral- The Town Council withdraws its objection to the application, but still considers that the bulk of the proposed pergola structure restricts the views in both directions of Savoy Crescent. The quality of materials, particularly the fence and roof, appear cheap and of the suburbs, rather than a modern city centre. This makes for a particularly poor aspect from the wide sculpture space and from the key thoroughfare of Midsummer Boulevard.</b></p>	
P20/008	<p><b>Items for Next Meeting</b> None</p> <p><b>The meeting closed at 6.50 pm.</b></p> <p><b>Date of next formal meeting- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020</b></p>	

Chair's Signature.....

Date.....