



## **Central Milton Keynes Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held at Centrecom Meeting Place On 22 September 2021**

### **Present:**

Rebecca Kurth (ex officio) (Chair)  
Philip Murphy  
David Stabler  
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)  
Thomas Walker (Planning and Consultations Officer)

### **Apologies:**

Andrew Thomas

**In attendance:** None

### **P21/032 – Apologies**

Apologies were received from Andrew Thomas.

At this juncture, in the absence of the Chair of Planning, the Clerk sought agreement from those councillors present who should chair the meeting. It was unanimously agreed that Councillor Kurth should act as chair on this occasion.

### **P21/033 – Declarations of Interest**

None

### **P21/034 - Ratification of Minutes of the Extraordinary Planning Committee meeting held on 9 September 2021**

The minutes of the meeting of the Extraordinary Planning Committee meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and duly signed by the Chair, subject to the following amendment:-

Page 2, fourth bullet point to read 'There is no planning policy limiting height'.

### **P21/035 Planning Application 21/02457/FUL- Campbell Wharf (South)**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Thomas Walker spoke to the paper, noting that the changes created a less window-dominant block, with vertical pillars to break up the appearance.

Concerns were expressed with regard to the street furniture for the development. It was noted that there are no guidelines with regard to the style of street furniture, except in instances where this is located on classic infrastructure, which this area is not.

The Planning & Consultations Officer was requested to develop a position paper, with illustrations, identifying the need for street furniture to be reflective of that employed within areas of classic infrastructure. It was accepted that this paper would not be binding, but could provide developers with guidance on how to proceed in this regard.

**ACTION: TW to produce position paper on street furniture for use in areas not considered classic infrastructure.**

After further discussion, it was agreed to **support** the application, subject to:-

- a pro rata uplift of s106 contributions to reflect the additional homes
- an assurance that MKCouncil's 30% affordable requirement pertains to the additional units
- a stronger pedestrian deterrent, by way of fencing and planting schemes, be placed in the two locations where the play areas meet the edge of Overgate
- Street furniture to be painted black, in accordance with classic infrastructure style

**ACTION: The Clerk was requested to confirm with the Chair of Planning upon his return whether the Planning advisor had been approached to provide architectural comment on new larger developments.**

### **P21/036- Planning Application 21/02605/FUL Reg3 application for Old Bus Station**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Councillors expressed some concern with respect to the lack of toilet facilities within the defined area for use as a homeless night shelter and the need to ensure that other users of the building are not inconvenienced by this initiative.

Additionally, it was recognised that this sort of facility is much needed within CMK.

It was agreed to **support** the application, subject to:-

- suitable toilet arrangements being clearly designated
- the management plan (as amended following a submission from CMK Town Council) be a condition of approval and included within the Decision Notice
- regular reviews of the initiative be scheduled during its 3 year term to enable adjustments to be made to working practices in a dynamic manner

**P21/037- Ratification of Minor Applications**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

The Chair of Planning’s decisions on the following applications were ratified:-

21/02491/FUL- Replacement shopfront -164 Midsummer  
Object

The Chair noted that she was appreciative of the position taken on this application by the Chair of Planning, this being consistent with the response to previous similar applications.

21/02420/ADV- Advertising consent- 164 Midsummer  
Support

21/0253/LBC- Listed building consent- refurbishment works to TSB unit  
Support

**P21/038- Planning Application 21/02246/FULEIS- MK Gateway**

The paper, as previously agreed, was ratified.

**P21/039 - Items for Next Agenda:**

Councillors requested that the Clerk provides a synopsis of the new Article 4 legislation and the transitional arrangements from the current legislation and its impact upon CMK.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

**The next scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday 20 October 2021 at Centrecom Meeting Place.**

**Chair’s Signature..... Date.....**