

Notice of Meeting

Minutes of the meeting of Loughton & Great Holm Parish Council Planning Committee held on Monday 02/09/19 at 7:30pm at the Community Centre, 87 Kensington Drive, Great Holm MK8 9AY.

Agenda

Councillors present: Councillors Sargent (Chair), Dyer and Todd.

Staff present: Bev Field (Parish Clerk)

Absent: Councillor Feeney (no apology received)

Members of the public: 1

The meeting started late at 7.48pm to enable Councillor Todd to attend as a substitute for Councillor Feeney.

PLC01/19 Election of Chair for 2019/20: Councillor Dyer proposed Councillor Sargent, seconded by Councillor Todd.

Resolved: Councillor Sargent was elected as Chair of the Planning Committee for 2019/20

PLC02/19 Questions from the public:

1 resident (the applicant) spoke in support of the application for 3 Pinks Close, Loughton. The applicants changed their application in response to the feedback at the last meeting of full Council. They were surprised at the level of objection and did not wish to upset their neighbours. They have consulted with their neighbours before submitting the plans to MK Council this time, and gained agreement.

PLC03/19 Apologies: None

PLC04/19 Declarations of Interest: None

PLC05/19 Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 04/03/19 were approved and signed as an accurate record.

PLC06/19 Matters arising: None

PC07/19 Planning applications: Representations to Milton Keynes Council were considered for the following planning applications:

a) 3 Pinks Close, Loughton MK5 8FF application 19/02/069/FUL resubmission for remodelling the house.

The response to objections has been generous to the neighbours, since the first application had pre-planning permission. The applicants valued good relations with neighbours over getting their own way and are commended for doing that. The professional advice from the architect should have encouraged that consultation, but had not.

Resolved: To support the application.

b) 54 Haddon, Great Holm MK8 9HP application 19/02054/FUL corridor enclosure and amending windows to the therapy pool.

Resolved: No objection

c) Petworth House, Petworth, Great Holm MK8 9ED application 19/02021/FUL for replacing a first-floor polycarbonate roof with tiles and roof windows.

Resolved: No objection

PLC08/19 Planning applications arising: Representations to be made to Milton Keynes Council were considered for planning applications validated since the publication of the agenda as follows:

a) 54 London Rd, Loughton application 19/02154/FUL for a two-storey side extension, internal reconfiguration, and additional outbuilding to rear.

Resolved: No objection

PLC09/19 Neighbourhood Plan: Advice from David Locke Associates was considered regarding the timing and development of a Neighbourhood Plan.

The advice from David Locke Associates was given in March 19 to wait 12 months before starting the early work. This is to be most effective with the Plan:MK review and to have a longer shelf-life for the Plan. They cannot undertake the work due to a conflict of interests.

There is up to £9,000 grant funding to support the process with a consultant, but it may cost the Parish more than this overall and should be budgeted for.

A Neighbourhood Plan involves a lot of work and consultation and can address developments of less than 10 houses, which is a gap in the planning guidance for the Parish. Consultants will be required, as well as a project manager to support the early work of establishing the Steering Group and consultation. A Neighbourhood Plan is a means to say we want to keep the residential areas from being over-developed and direct developers to other areas with sites of better opportunities, not in valuable green space. It enables development and helps us to defend objections using relevant planning policy.

Resolved: To recommend to the full Council to budget for developing a Neighbourhood Plan. For the Planning Committee to select a project manager by interview to recommend to full Council.

Date of the next meeting: 07/10/19 at the Community Centre, 87 Kensington Drive, Great Holm MK8 9AY

Meeting closed at: 8.27pm		
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