Central Milton Keynes Town Council
Extraordinary Planning Committee Meeting

held at Centrecom Meeting Place

On 9 September 2021

Present:
Andrew Thomas (Chair)
Rebecca Kurth (ex officio)
Philip Murphy
David Stabler
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)

Apologies:
Thomas Walker
Amir Charhardehi

In attendance: None

P21/026 – Apologies

Apologies were received from Thomas Walker and Amir Chahardehi

P21/027 – Declarations of Interest

None

P21/028 - Ratification of Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 17 August 2021

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee meeting on 17th August 2021 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and duly signed by the Chair, subject to the following amendment:-

Page 4 first bullet point to read 'it is estimated that 45% of its residents will own cars', not 55% as stated.

P21/029 Planning Application 21/018980/FULEIS- Saxon Court/MK Gateway

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted as amended.

The response to the application was considered in depth, councillors making the following observations:-

- The parking map should be included in the final submission.
- Councillor Kurth proposed that the submission would benefit from an executive summary/overview at the beginning.
- The note from the Planning and Consultations Officer confirming that the development complied with the CMK Alliance Plan was noted. It was also understood that the development is in compliance with Plan:MK.
- There is no planning policy determining height as a consideration.
- The development keeps to the footprint, minimising impact on residents.
- Councillor Murphy stated that he has been against the project since its inception, that retention of Saxon Court is unnecessary, and a better scheme could be developed if it was demolished. He added that the scheme does not meet policy on parking.

The Chair reminded councillors that their role is to consider the paper before them and determine a position.

At this juncture, Councillor Murphy proposed that the Town Council objects on the grounds of height of the scheme, no parking provided and the lack of community facilities planned.

A vote was taken on the proposal, which was lost by 3 votes against to 1 in favour. The proposal having fallen, consideration of the paper continued:-

- Whilst concerns were expressed regarding the lack of on-site parking, the Chair noted that NPPF states that parking should be determined on the merits of the individual case. In this instance, the amount of parking in the vicinity of the development is substantial, and thus a case could not be made to object on this issue.
- Councillor Stabler proposed that a condition should be required to enable servicing of the apartments by food and online delivery firms. It was unanimously agreed that a Service Delivery Plan be requested as a condition to address this issue.
- The removal of the third sentence in the last paragraph was agreed unanimously.

The Chair sought to bring the discussion to a conclusion, at which juncture Councillor Murphy restated his position -that he was unable to support the

paper or its proposal -seeing no benefit for CMK in the proposed development.

The proposal to be voted upon was summarised:

The paper, as amended, be accepted, subject to:-

- An overview section at the head of the paper.
- Inclusion of the parking map around the building
- Deletion of the third sentence in the last paragraph
- The inclusion of a section on servicing delivery arrangements
- The inclusion of the requirement for 3 conditions to any permission as follows:-
    - Creation of a parking zone for protection of existing residents' parking
    - Creation of a service delivery plan to enable ease of 'ad hoc' deliveries to residents
    - Creation of a planning agreement to secure involvement of the Town Council in the future development of community facilities within the building
- Without the three conditions as stated above, the Town Council's position would be that it formally objects to the scheme.
- If the conditions are satisfied this will result in the support of the Town Council for the scheme.

A vote was taken on the above proposal. The vote was carried by 3 votes in favour to 1 against.

P21/030- Ratification of Submissions on Applications

i. **Planning Application 21/01980/FUL Refurbishment and Upgrade to Genesis House**

   The paper, as previously circulated, was ratified

ii. **Planning Application 21/01291/FUL Extension of parking at Campbell Park Pavilion**

   The paper, as previously circulated, was ratified

P21/031 - Items for Next Agenda:

None

The meeting closed at 6.05pm.

Chair's initials……

The next scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday 22 September 2021 at Centrecom Meeting Place.

Chair's Signature…… Date…….

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