

Brickhill Parish Council Planning Committee

2011/12 –7



Minutes of a meeting held at St Mark's Church Community Centre on Thursday 13th October 2011 commencing at 6:00pm

Present: Cllrs Blakeman, Ovenell, Chambers, Wilkins and the Clerk were in attendance

1. **Apologies for Absence** – Cllrs Josephs
2. **Declarations of Interest**- none
3. **Minutes of the last meeting** - The minutes from the 8th September 2011 were adopted as a true record of the meeting.
4. **Public Open Session**- 2 members of the public were present.
Mr Wall addressed the committee with regards to item 6 (Allocations & Designations plan). He would like the committee to seek clarification over the protection of the country park and green wheel areas detailed on the map and also the path and surfaces proposed for Woodlands Park. Cllr Blakeman confirmed that further background information about the plan is available online and the consultation will close for comments on 14th November 2011.
Mr Johns addressed the committee with regards to the Tesco planning application. He queried about enforcing the covenant and details about the air conditioning and condenser fans. Mr John's would like the committee to seek clarity over the 'sleep time' (11pm-7am) of the units and the actual opening hours of the store (6am), as there seems to be a contradiction between the two.
5. **Planning Applications**-
 - **11/01904/FUL** Bird in Hand, 117 Brickhill Drive- Installation of three air conditioning units & dual fan condensers.
It was resolved: Although the Parish Council has no objection to the application we would ask this to be on the following conditions:
 1. That the noise values detailed in the report are accurate
 2. Units only to be in use 7am-11pm. Clarity over of store opening times needed (if the store is to open at 6am would the units be in use from this time?)
 - **11/02084/FUL** 1 Avon Drive- Single & two storey rear extension with dormer window to roof. **It was resolved:** Although the parish council has no objection to the application it would like to make the following observation:
 1. The proposed extension may adversely affect sunlight of neighbouring property (No.3 Avon Drive)
 - **11/02109/FUL** Bird in Hand, 117 Brickhill Drive- Installation of ATM.

It was resolved: Although the parish council has no objection to the application it would like to make the following observation:

1. Restrict ATM access in line with store opening times for security reasons and to limit the disturbance for residents.

- **11/02110/ADV** Bird in Hand, 117 Brickhill Drive-Installation of three externally illuminated fascia signs and one externally illuminated projecting sign. **It was resolved:** Although the Parish Council has no objection to the application we would ask this be on the following condition:
 1. That the signs be switched off out of opening hours.
- **11/02111/FUL** Bird in Hand, 117 Brickhill Drive-Installation of six security bollards. **It was resolved:** to make no objections to this application.

6. **To review and comment on the Bedford Borough Council's Allocations and Designations plan.**

It was resolved: seek clarity over whether the country park includes Jackman's Farm and Freemans Common as is implied on the current plan map. Also seek inclusion of the new path in Woodlands Park Estate (between Grenadier Close and Browney Path).

7. **Planning Decisions-**

Planning Application Number	Address	Granted/Refused
11/01700/FUL	16 Arun Close Bedford	Granted
11/01653/DC3	Brickhill Lower School Dove Road	Granted
11/01875/FUL	61 Hamble Road Bedford	Granted
11/01893/TELPN	The Pheasant 300 Kimbolton Road	Refused
11/01742/FUL	11 Starling Way Bedford	Granted

8. **Late Planning Applications-**

- **11/02108/FUL** 117 Brickhill Drive- installation of shop front and external alterations.
It was resolved: Although the parish council has no objection to the application it would like to make the following observations:
 1. What is the proposed fire exit to the building
 2. Will the upstairs accommodation be a sealed off unit
 3. Will the staircase be permanently removed

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Signed by Chairman 10th November 2011