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Minutes of the Meeting of the **Planning Committee** held on Wednesday 30th October 2013 at 7.10pm in the Memorial Hall, Bedford Road, Wootton.

Open Forum	There were no members of the public or press present.	Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) and Local Government Act 1972 s100.
Present	Cllrs Quirk, Chalmers, Doggrell, Lloyd, Price, and Wheeler. In Attendance: Sue Playford (Clerk).	
Absent	None.	

Agenda no	Agenda item title	Resolution	Action	Power
P13/204	Apologies for absence. None.			Local Government Act 1972 Sch12 p40.
P13/205	Disclosure of local and/or disclosable pecuniary interests. None.			Local Government Act 2000 s52.
P13/206	Report from outside organisations. None.			
P13/207	List of correspondence received (copies of correspondence can be requested from the Clerk). Bedford Borough Council Open Space Supplementary Planning Document – adopted by Bedford Borough Council on 11th September 2013. Copies are available to view at the Customer Service Centre, 2 Horne Lane, Bedford, at the following libraries: Bromham, Putnoe, Wootton, Kempston, Central Bedford, Rushden, Flitwick, Biggleswade and St. Neots during normal opening hours, or online at: www.bedford.gov.uk/openspacespd. No further comments were received. Applications for the designation of Neighbourhood Areas - Stevington and Stewartby Parish Councils. In each case the proposed Neighbourhood Area is the whole civil parish. Further information and a copy of the applications are available to view at the Customer Service Centre, 2 Horne Lane, Bedford or online at:			

	www.bedford.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning . No further comments were received. Bedford Borough Council, Central Bedfordshire Council & Luton Borough Council Minerals and Waste Local Plan – Inspector’s final report. This is available to view online at: http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/planning/minerals-and-waste/examination-hearings.aspx . No further comments were received.			
P13/208	Minutes of the previous meeting. Members of the Planning Committee were asked to receive and adopt the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on the 9 th October 2013.	Proposed: - Cllr Chalmers. Seconded: - Cllr Lloyd. Resolved by all present.		Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12 p 41.
P13/209	Matters arising from the minutes to include Issues log review – for information only. P11/47 - Overgrown alleyway Lorraine Road/Hoo Close. Clerk has written to Mr Wiles to request permission to burn scrub on his land – before contacting Borough to request remedial works to the footpath and fencing. Mr Wiles is not authorised to burn scrub so had to turn down the parish council's request. He expressed concerns about debris being left behind that could be harmful to cattle, but will keep checking the field and will report back again to the Clerk. Clerk wrote again 14.6.13. Clerk met with Amey and Highways on 11 th September and they will write to Mr Wiles and consider works to the hedgerow and fencing. Land has now been sold but the new owner is not yet known. P12/140 – Grass cutting within the village. Cllr Quirk has prepared an initial draft, currently with the Clerk for			

examination. Cllr Lloyd has sourced a software package which may help with highlighting electronic maps. P12/142 – Pond near Keeley Lane. Completed paperwork has been returned to DFA Law. P13/40 – Poor state of roads and footpaths within the village. Borough will consider major works to Bedford Road, and have listed proposals for the footpaths leading to Tithe Barn Road from Church Road, Squires Road and Russell Way. Clerk has since requested they look at Elmsdale Road, and the footpath by the post office on Bedford Road. Amey have responded regarding the Bedford Road footpath to say they believe no remedial works are required at this stage, but that they will continue to monitor. P13/87 – Transfer of ownership of Lorraine Road Green. Completed paperwork has been returned to Bedford Borough Council. Clerk has received an acknowledgement from Linda Stevens. P13/102 – Bedfordshire & River Ivel Drainage Board proposals. Meeting arranged with IDBS and Cllrs Doggrell and Wheeler and the Clerk for 18.9.13. John Oldfield agreed Fields Road would be given priority and it was hoped works would be done by the end of the year. P13/109 – Studley Road grass area. The Clerk has received information advice that the land could potentially be transferred to the Parish Council for a nominal sum,			
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	however the receivers have yet to receive all files. The Clerk will be writing to them, informing them of the Parish Councils intention to undertake a one-off grass cut, without prejudice, pending the outcome of other investigations. P13/203 – Railings and Screening at the Memorial Walls, Lorraine Road cemetery. Cllr Quirk and the Clerk have requested an initial quotation to replace the existing railings with a hoop top variety, and to plant hedging in front of the railings to offer better screening. Ongoing.			
P13/210	a) Planning Applications. 13/01902/FUL – 62 Tithe Barn Road – loft conversion including rear dormers. 13/01663/FUL – Whitworth Farm House, Bourne End Road – demolition of existing stables. Erection of new barn to accommodate new internal stables. 13/01996/FUL – 19 Bedford Road – one and two storey rear extension. 13/02125/FUL – Land Parcel north of Stewartby Lakes, Broadmead Road, Stewartby – single wind turbine (60m to hub, 90m to blade tip) with associated infrastructure, including turbine transformer, hard standing areas, control building and cabling.	NO OBJECTION Proposed: - Cllr Price. Seconded: - Cllr Wheeler. Resolved by all present – no objections. NO OBJECTION Proposed: - Cllr Price. Seconded: - Cllr Wheeler. Resolved by all present – no objections. NO OBJECTION Proposed: - Cllr Price. Seconded: - Cllr Wheeler. Resolved by all present – no objections. NO OBJECTION Proposed: - Cllr Price. Seconded: - Cllr Wheeler. Resolved by all present – not within the parish but duly noted.		Town & Country Planning Act 1990 & subsequent.

	b) Planning Approvals. 13/01779/FUL – 8 Potter Cross – replace existing upvc windows with hardwood windows of the same design. The addition of a new window to south elevation. Installation of flue on north elevation. Remove pebble dash render and replace with smooth render. 13/01332/LBC – Manor Farm House, Cause End Road – removal of false timber framing to front and side elevations and removal modern dormer feature to side elevation. 13/01589/FUL – 24 Canons Close – installation of 16 solar panels on the roof. c) Planning Applications withdrawn. None. d) Planning Refusals. None.			
P13/211	To request above applications be considered by the full Planning Committee of Bedford Borough council.	Not applicable.		Town & Country Planning Act 1990 & subsequent
P13/212	To consider representation of the Council at the planning meeting of Bedford Borough council discussing the above applications.	Not applicable.		Town & Country Planning Act 1990 & subsequent

P13/213	To receive a report from Cllr Quirk with regard the village hall car park entrance.	The report was circulated ahead of this meeting. After discussion it was resolved by all present that the clerk seek quotations to take up the broken concrete, repair where necessary using either tarmac or concrete - taking into account the drain alongside the village hall. Proposed – Cllr Price. Seconded – Cllr Chalmers.	Clerk	Local Government Act 1894 s8.
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Meeting Closed at 7.25pm

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