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Minutes of the Meeting of the **Planning Committee** held on Wednesday 23rd April 2014 at 7.05pm in the Memorial Hall, Bedford Road, Wootton.

Open Forum	There were no members of the public or press present, and so the meeting continued without adjournment.			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
P14/64	Apologies for absence. None.			Local Government Act 1972 Sch12 p40.
P14/65	Disclosure of local and/or disclosable pecuniary interests. Cllr Quirk wished to record an interest in P14/70 – 13/02125/FUL and CB/14/00925/FULL – although neither were within the Parish.			Local Government Act 1972 s117.
P14/66	Report from outside organisations. None.			
P14/67	List of correspondence received (copies of correspondence can be requested from the Clerk). Confirmation from the Borough Council regarding postcodes from the Royal Mail Address Development team – former Black Horse PH.	No further comments received.		
P14/68	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 26 th March 2014.	Minutes were received and adopted. Proposed: - Cllr Chalmers. Seconded: - Cllr Wheeler. Resolved by all present.		Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12 p 41.
P14/69	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 the landowner to request permission to burn scrub on his land – before contacting Borough to request remedial works to the footpath and fencing. The landowner 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 11.9.13 and they will write to him and consider works to the hedgerow and fencing. It is understood the land may have recently sold. • P12/142 – Pond near Keeley Lane. The handyman has installed the life belt and sign, and remedial works are now proposed to clear brambles and make the area safe. A RoSPA inspection is due in May 2014. • 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. A resident has contacted the Clerk to say he also did a walk about with members from the Highways Department – Cllr Doggrell will be liaising with him to ensure a uniform approach (the resident has been told to expect remedial works before the end of February 2014). Several pot holes have now also been reported and the Clerk has been informed Amey intend to visit the village 17.1.14. No further updates received – the resident has recently requested an update from Highways. The Clerk met with BBCllr Prescod on 10.3.14 and requested he continue to chase. • 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 and chased again 16.1.14. The Mayor has granted approval and a cooling off period is now taking place. Clerk has queried the peppercorn rent as detailed by Linda Stevens, as the paperwork states this is only applicable in certain cases. No response received to date. • P13/109 – Studley Road grass area. It was resolved at Planning on 11th December to leave this on file pending the outcome of the proposed development behind Studley Road. Clerk has since written to BNP Paribas Real Estate UK and Bedford Borough Council (who adopted the footpath) informing them of their Health & Safety obligations. Bedford Borough Council has since undertaken an inspection of the fence and stated as it is not impeding on the public highway, they will not take any further			
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	action. • P13/213 – Village Hall car park entrance. Works due 12th-16th May 2014. Notices have been placed and letters delivered to nearby houses. • P14/49 – Request for a new bin adjacent to the bus shelter (opposite junction with St Mary's Road). Clerk has been informed a post-mounted bin would not be suitable (too small and easily removed) and has received confirmation from the Borough Council it would be included in their weekly rounds for emptying. Resolved to proceed and a consultation is ongoing. P14/50 – Identification of Parish Council/Borough Council street lights. Records differ between the two organisations and the Clerk and Cllr Quirk will be working to resolve this. Ongoing.			
P14/70	a) Planning Applications. <u>13/02125/FUL</u> – 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. Amended/additional plans and new documents have been received for the above development. (It was noted at a previous planning meeting on 30th October 2013 that the proposal was not within the parish. No objections were raised but the Clerk has requested an extension to the deadline of 18th April). <u>CB/14/00925/FULL</u> – Brogborough Landfill Site, Woburn Road, Lidlington – six wind turbines with associated access roads, control buildings and transformers. <u>14/00631/FUL</u> – 15 Cranfield Road – rear extension and new pitched roof to existing detached single garage. <u>14/00692/FUL</u> – 14a Cause End Road – proposed first floor side extension. b) Planning Approvals. 14/00168/FUL – 11 Squires Road – construction of new dormer to front elevation. This council had previously recorded NO objection.	Proposed: - Cllr Price. Seconded: - Cllr Chalmers. Resolved by all present – not within the Parish but duly noted. Proposed: - Cllr Price. Seconded: - Cllr Chalmers. Resolved by all present – not within the Parish but duly noted. Proposed: - Cllr Doggrell. Seconded: - Cllr Lloyd. Resolved by all present – no objections. Proposed: - Cllr Price. Seconded: - Cllr Wheeler. Resolved by all present – no objections.		Town & Country Planning Act 1990 & subsequent.

	14/00247/FUL – 50 St. Mary's Road – two storey side extension. This council had previously recorded NO objection. c) Planning Applications withdrawn. None. d) Planning Refusals. None.			
P14/71	To request above applications be considered by the full Planning Committee of Bedford Borough council.	Not applicable.		Town & Country Planning Act 1990 & subsequent.
P14/72	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.
P14/73	To consider an appropriate measure to commemorate the centenary of World War 1.	After publishing the agenda, the Clerk received a suggestion from the tree warden of a more suitable tree (Midland Hawthorn – Crataegus) which could be planted adjacent to a Red Horse Chestnut at Lorraine Road cemetery (at the end of the gravel path). A further suggestion was to add a wooden bench, and include a commemorative plaque either on the bench or near the tree. After further discussion it was resolved to set aside a budget of £300 but to liaise with the Royal British Legion before taking further action. Proposed: Cllr Price. Seconded: Cllr Wheeler. Resolved by all present.	Clerk to liaise with RBL and report back to members, before proceeding further.	Local Government Act 1972, s137.

Meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Chairman.....

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