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Minutes of the **Planning & Environment Committee** meeting held on Wednesday 29th September 2021 at 7pm at
Wootton Community Centre, Harris Way, Wootton, MK43 9FZ.

Agenda no	Agenda item title			Power
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(1).
Present	Cllrs Quirk, (in the chair), Hensher, Lloyd, Noakes and Watson.			
Absent (no apologies received)	Cllr Bygraves.			
Agenda no	Agenda item title	Resolution	Action	Power
P21/208	Apologies for absence. Cllr Randell. Sue Edgar Playford (Clerk to the Council and Responsible Financial Officer) was not in attendance.	Noted for the minutes.	Clerk to keep on file.	Local Government Act 1972, s85 (1) & Sch 12, Part VI, p40.
P21/209	Disclosure of local and/or disclosable pecuniary interests. None.	N/A.	N/A.	Localism Act 2011, Ch 7, s31.
P21/210	To consider any dispensation requests received by the clerk in relation to local and/or disclosable pecuniary interests, not previously recorded. No requests received.	N/A.	N/A.	Localism Act 2011, Ch 7, s33.

P21/211	Report from outside organisations – for information only. - Bedford Borough Council. Turvey Neighbourhood Development Plan has been adopted via a Bedford Borough Council Executive decision on 1st September 2021. It now forms part of the development plan meaning its policies will be used alongside other adopted local plan policies when determining planning applications within Turvey. A copy of the plan and other information is available to view here. - Bedford Borough Council. Footpath 10 (Wootton) Extinguishment Order 2021. Under the terms of The Highways Act 1980 (Section 118) the above order was made by Bedford Borough Council on 9th September 2021.	No further comments received.	Clerk to keep on file.	N/A.
P21/212	List of correspondence received (copies of correspondence can be requested from the Clerk) – for information only. None.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.
P21/213	Minutes of the previous meeting. Members of the Planning & Environment Committee were asked to receive and adopt the minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 8 th September 2021.	Resolved to receive and adopt. Proposed: Cllr Noakes. Seconded: Cllr Quirk. Resolved by all present.	Clerk to keep on file.	Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, Part VI, p41 (1).
P21/214	Matters arising from the minutes – for information only. P20/228 – Transfer of parish council-owned streetlights to Bedford Borough Council. Resolved 27th June 2018 (P18/154) to continue with the transfer and request Bedford Borough Council carry out structural examinations to all columns. Clerk has been told the Borough Council are dealing with this, but they have several other parishes to deal with too and timescales are not yet known. The clerk provided Bedford Borough Council with latest risk assessments and inspection reports on 24th June 2020. Bedford Borough Council has since requested further testing which cannot be undertaken due to the style of columns and it was resolved 28th October 2020 (FC20/228) that Bedford Borough Council take on the columns if further testing is required. The further testing issue has now been resolved and the clerk is currently awaiting the relevant paperwork, confirming bar one minor issue, all is in order.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.

	Resolved 31st March 2021 (P21/082) to accept that paperwork and again request Bedford Borough Council take on the ownership/maintenance of the streetlights. The clerk has now been informed Bedford Borough Council will draft a scheme plan, costings and payback period for consideration and continues to chase for an update. • P20/013 + P21/171 – War Memorial works and removal of adjacent conifers. FA Bartlett Tree Experts Ltd have been appointed to remove the conifers and carry out remedial works to the adjoining hedgerow and ash tree (the latter was growing into a highways street lighting column). The conifers have now been removed and the ash tree trimmed. Memorial Makeovers have now recommended leaving the works until the end of 2020 to allow for further settlement which has been caused by the removal of the conifers. Memorial Makeovers have confirmed the structure remains sound and did revisit in early February 2021. Correspondence has been sent by recorded delivery to the registered address. Site visits with two prospective contractors have been held and the clerk is awaiting quotations for remedial works. It should be noted the first contractor determined no urgent works were required and the war memorial was not likely to move/shift. • P21/183 + P21/207 – Open Design Competition, Berryfields/Fields Road roundabout. Resolved 27th January 2021 (P21/028) to place an article in March's Wootton newsletter inviting designs and/or proposals for the roundabout from residents and/or local schools. Resolved 11th August 2021 (P21/183) to have all submissions professionally designed to ensure a level playing field ahead of a public vote. The clerk and Cllr Lloyd have met with a resident who will produce designs for the public vote. • P21/132 – Installation of posts on the grass area of Popes Way Green (Lorraine Road end). Resolved 9th June 2021 (P21/132) to proceed with the installation and purchase the necessary			
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	posts from Glasdon UK Ltd. Posts have now been installed. Move to close.			
P21/215	To receive and approve the Income & Expenditure report for all Planning & Environment cost centres and Earmarked Reserves report for all cost centres for 2021-22, to date and to resolve a suitable course of action.	Resolved to receive and approve both reports without further comment. Proposed: Cllr Noakes. Seconded: Cllr Quirk. Resolved by all present.	Clerk to keep on file.	Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance for Smaller Authorities in England 2021.
P21/216	a) Planning Applications – for resolution. 21/02477/FUL – 4 Latimer Close. Garage extension and part conversion. 21/02488/S73A – Wood Farm, Wootton Green. Retrospective planning permission application (development already carried out). Single storey rear extension. 21/02489/LBC – Wood Farm, Wootton Green. Single storey rear extension (development already carried out). 21/02515/FUL – 141 Bedford Road. Demolition of existing conservatory, one and two storey rear extension, front porch and new bay window with replacement pitched roof over and garage conversion. b) Planning Approvals (by Bedford Borough Council) – for information only. 21/01702/FUL – 34 Granby Way. Single storey side and rear extension. This council previously raised NO OBJECTION.	Resolved NO OBJECTION but to make the following observation: • The proposal would lead to a reduction of parking spaces. Proposed: Cllr Watson. Seconded: Cllr Hensher. Resolved by all present. Resolved NO OBJECTION. Proposed: Cllr Quirk. Seconded: Cllr Noakes. Resolved by all present. Resolved NO OBJECTION. Proposed: Cllr Watson. Seconded: Cllr Lloyd. Resolved by all present. Resolved NO OBJECTION. Proposed: Cllr Watson. Seconded: Cllr Lloyd. Resolved by all present. No further comments received.	Clerk to keep on file.	Town & Country Planning Act 1990 & subsequent.

	21/01780/FUL – 41 Folkes Road. Single storey rear extension and loft conversion with front and rear dormers. This council previously raised AN OBJECTION. 21/02007/FUL – Wootton Lower School, Harris Way. Siting of new temporary classroom. This council previously raised NO OBJECTION. 21/01633/DC3 – Wootton Community Nursery, Innovation Way. New fence, gates, security lighting and associated works. This council previously raised NO OBJECTION. c) Planning Applications withdrawn (notified by Bedford Borough Council) – for information only. None. d) Planning Refusals (by Bedford Borough Council) – for information only. None. e) Planning (other – including Bedford Borough Council and the Secretary of State) – for information only. None.			
P21/217	To request above application(s) be considered by the Full Planning Committee of Bedford Borough Council.	Not applicable.	N/A.	Town & Country Planning Act 1990 & subsequent.
P21/218	To consider representation of the Council at the Full Planning Committee meeting of Bedford Borough Council discussing the above application(s).	Not applicable.	N/A.	Town & Country Planning Act 1990 & subsequent.
P21/219	To consider the renewal of a street trading consent outside of Bedford Town Centre for Nirmal Badhan T/A Dave's Snax and to resolve a suitable course of action.	Resolved to accept the renewal application without further comment. Proposed: Cllr Noakes. Seconded: Cllr Quirk. Resolved by all present.	Clerk to take forward.	Stakeholder Consultation.

Meeting closed at 7.11pm.

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