

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE  
OF BARTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH OFFICE  
ON MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2024 COMMENCING AT 7.56pm**

**Present:** Councillors A Fletcher (Chair), S Laycock, W Rudd, K Qureshi and J Paxton

**Attending:** C Callen (Clerk) and Councillors J Selly, A Vale and A Tebb in attendance

**Minutes Taken by:** C Callen

**24/277 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – These were received from Councillors G Gardner and J Mikkelson.

**24/278 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (*Cllrs may make declarations pertaining to the agenda at this point or at any point during the meeting*) – There were none.

**24/279 MATTERS ARISING**

Councillor Fletcher advised that she has contacted four companies to request a quote to update the Traffic Management Assessment for the Village. This is to reflect the changes over the past five years, including any impact from the M1/A6 link road now progressing, and the closure of some services in the Village, including the Bank and Post Office. The survey will be used to support discussions as part of the Draft Neighbourhood Plan and also future S106 considerations with Central Beds Council. Once the quotes are received, they will be brought back to Committee for discussion and approval.

**24/280 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2024**

A copy of the minutes was provided to all members ahead of the meeting. Councillor Fletcher **PROPOSED** approval of the minutes of the Planning meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> October, **SECONDED** by Councillor Qureshi **with 4 in favour and 1 abstention**.

**24/281 UPDATE ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS REFUSED/GRANTED**

The list of planning application decisions was circulated to members prior to the meeting. A copy is provided within the minutes. This was acknowledged by members.

**24/282 UPDATE ON ENFORCEMENT NOTICES – FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

There were none.

**24/283 TO CONSIDER NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**CB/24/03189/FULL, 17 Roman Road:** Single storey rear and side extension and rooflights following demolition of garage

- No comments

**24/284 REVIEW OF COMMITTEE EXPENDITURE FOR 2024/25 AND TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE DRAFT BUDGETS FOR 2025/26**

Councillors acknowledged the need to increase funds held within the Planning Legal and Professional Fees Ear Marked Reserve (EMR) that may be needed to pay for professionals with specialist ability to challenge future strategic plans proposed by Central Bedfordshire Council or developers in the coming financial year. No additional funding is anticipated in respect of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Councillor Fletcher **PROPOSED** the approval of the draft 2025/26 Planning budget, with a £1,000 committee precept. This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Paxton and **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

**24/285 TO CONSIDER RESPONSE TO CENTRAL BEDS COUNCIL'S BROWNFIELD 'CALL FOR SITES' LAUNCH FOR THE NEW LOCAL PLAN**

As discussed at the November Full Council Meeting, Central Beds Council have requested possible Brownfield sites are highlighted for potential redevelopment. Following discussion, it was agreed that there were no suitable areas within the Parish boundary.

**24/286 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE OR FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA**

There was none.

Meeting closed at 8.09pm