DUNSTABLE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE

HELD AT GROVE HOUSE, 76 HIGH STREET NORTH, DUNSTABLE

ON THURSDAY 27 JULY 2017

- Present: Councillors Liz Jones (Chairman), Sid Abbott (Vice-Chairman), John Kane, Claire Meakins, Pat Staples and Andy Whayman
- Apologies: Councillors Steve Elliott and Pat Staples
- In Attendance: Councillors John Chatterley, Ann Sparrow and Gloria Martin and Rosemary O'Sullivan (Head of Finance and Support Services)

Public: Two

1. SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Interest	Agenda Item
Cllr Meakins	Non-Pecuniary – Resident of neighbouring property	Item 3

2. FORMER DUKEMINSTER ESTATE, CHURCH STREET, APPLICATION NO. CB/16/02972/FULL

The Special meeting of this Sub-Committee had been called to ensure that the Council's comments could be submitted to Central Bedfordshire Council by the closing date of 28 July 2017.

The Sub-Committee received representation by the Chair of the Priory View Residents Association, Margaret Luther, who had no objections to the application being considered for amendments to Block 2 and Block 3 of the development. However the residents of Priory View had raised objections to the proposals for Block 1.

The Chairman reminded Members that the Sub-Committee had considered the original planning application in August 2016 and raised no objections but had expressed concern about vehicular access arrangements.

It was apparent that the changes to Block 1 had been agreed under Reserved Matters and had not been considered by this Sub-Committee.

Having considered the residents representation, Members expressed the view that Priory View was a first class independent living accommodation which they did not wish to be spoilt by this development.

RESOLVED: that the following comments be submitted to Central Bedfordshire Council in respect of this application:

i) No objections to the proposed amendments to Blocks 2 and 3, however

ii) having heard the residents passionate representation regarding Block 1 which was proposed to be a four-storey with gable roof, decreasing to three-storey nearer to Priory View, the Sub-Committee supported their view and believe that this is too high in relation to the proximity to Priory View

iii) that Councillor Sid Abbott attend the CBC Development Committee meeting on 16 August and speak on behalf of the Council.