



NORTHAMPTON TOWN COUNCIL

Planning Committee – 13th September 2021

To: Members of the Planning Committee:

Councillors Brown (Chair), Russell (Deputy Chair), Alwahabi, Choudary, Connolly, Haque, Ismail, Lane, Meredith, Purser, Stevens, Vacancy

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Planning Committee of Northampton Town Council to be held via the Zoom Video Conferencing platform on 13th September 2021 at 18.00

The meeting will be streamed live via the Town Council's YouTube channel

This Committee meeting is open to the public and press to attend and those attending the meeting shall be informed that they may be recorded. Public participation is in accordance with the Town Council's public participation policy.

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**Stuart Carter
Interim Town Clerk
8th September 2021**

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A G E N D A

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interest**
- 3. To authorise the Chair to sign the Minutes of the last meeting held 18th August 2021**
Attached (p 3 -11)
- 4. Planning Applications – To consider Planning Applications for the Parish of Northampton as notified by West Northamptonshire Council (the Planning Authority)**
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- 5. Oxford to Cambridge Arc Consultation**
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NORTHAMPTON TOWN COUNCIL

Planning Committee Minutes – 18th August 2021

This is a record of decisions taken by the Town Clerk in accordance with the authority delegated to him by the Council at its meeting held on 17th May 2021. All decisions were taken having consulted remotely by Zoom members of the Planning Committee on 18th August 2021 and were in accordance with the views of those members.

Minutes of the meeting held on 18th August 2021 the Zoom Video Conferencing Platform

PRESENT: Cllrs Brown (Chair), Alwahabi, Choudary, Connolly, Ismail, Lane, Purser and Stevens

Officers: Mr S Carter (Interim Town Clerk) and Mrs J Thorneycroft (Administration Officer)

1. Apologies for Absence: Cllr Russell (Vice-Chair) and Cllr Haque

2. Declarations of Interest - None

3. To authorise the Chair to sign the Minutes of the last meeting held 26th July 2021

It was **RESOLVED** to authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the last meeting as a true and accurate record.

4. Planning Applications

Resolved: due to the amount of planning applications received at NTC it was agreed that members would inform officers if they wish to make reference to an application(s) prior to the meeting so the officer could have the plans ready. No requests were made by members.

Application	Site Address and Proposal	Ward	Comment
(1) WNN/2021/0465	2 Bougainvillea Drive, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 3XB Two storey extension including part existing garage infill with bedroom over at first floor	Rushmills	NTC made no comment on this application
(2) WNN/2021/0224	1A Meadway, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 3BP Change of Use from Childminding Business (Use Class E) to Residential Dwelling (Use Class C3), to include single storey front, side and rear extensions and alterations (Part Retrospective)	Park	NTC made no comment on this application
(3) WNN/2021/0441	15 The Headlands, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2PB Single storey rear and side extension and loft conversion including the hipped roof to gable roof and a flat roofed dormer to the rear.	Headlands	NTC made no comment on this application
(4) WNN/2021/0410	148 Park Avenue North, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2JA Variation of Conditions 2 & 4 of Planning Permission N/2020/0629 (Part single storey / part two storey rear extension) to allow for strengthening works to existing roof, including relaying of tiles and raising of ridge height to rear extension to match existing ridge level and insertion of rooflights	Phippsville	NTC made no comment on this application
(5) WNN/2021/0208	Land Rear Of 158-164 Kingsthorpe Grove, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire Variation of Conditions 2, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 12 of Planning Permission N/2019/0986 (Construction of 3no two storey terraced houses with new private driveway, associated landscaping, parking and enclosures) to facilitate minor	Semilong	NTC made no comment on this application

		amendment to area shared access and include cycle storage details		
(6)	WNN/2021/0481	98 Coppice Drive, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6NF Single storey rear extension	Parklands	NTC made no comment on this application
(7)	WNN/2021/0478	39 Dulverton Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 3AZ Two storey side extension	Park	NTC made no comment on this application
(8) (9)	WNN/2021/0253 WNN/2021/0254 Listed building consent	34 38 Revolution Bridge Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1PA Change of use of first floor store to private function room. Installation of secondary glazing to windows in the proposed function room, insertion of glazed casement windows within existing frames at ground floor and removal of internal wall.	Castle	NTC made no comment on this application
(10)	WNN/2021/0254	10 Cumberland Close, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2AD First floor side extension and conversion of existing attached garage to habitable room.	Parklands	NTC made no comment on this application
(11)	WNN/2021/0409	11 Abington Grove, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 4QX Removal of Condition 4 of Planning Permission N/2020/0741 (Change of Use from House in Multiple Occupation (Sui Generis) for 7 occupants to Dwellinghouse where care is provided for children (Use Class C3)) to remove the restriction of the number of staff who may be present at one time	Abington/ Phippsville	NTC made no comment on this application
(12)	WNN/2021/0453	2, Moulton Court Anglia Way, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6JA Installation of louvres and erection of refuse store	Parklands	NTC made no comment on this application
(13)	WNN/2021/0462	34 Spring Gardens, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1LX	Castle	NTC made no comment on this

		Change of Use from House in Multiple Occupation (Use Class C4) to Mother and Baby Assessment Unit (Use Class C2)		application
(14)	WNN/2021/0473	17 Smyth Court, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 8HS Single storey rear extension together with internal alterations	Brookside	NTC made no comment on this application
(15)	WNN/2021/0485	1 Donovan Court, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 3DD First floor side extension with balconies to side and rear elevations, minor fenestration alterations to front elevation and internal alterations	Park	NTC made no comment on this application
(16)	WNN/2021/0449	Building Plot To Rear Of, 65 Booth Rise, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6HP New detached dwelling and garage, with associated works	Boothville	NTC made no comment on this application
(17)	WNN/2021/0486	5 St Georges Avenue, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN2 6JA Removal of boundary wall with alteration to driveway and alteration to colour of main house elevations (Part Retrospective)	Trinity	NTC made no comment on this application
(18)	WNN/2021/0528	Dallington Cemetery Harlestone Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN5 6AB Change of Use of Open Space to form Lawn Cemetery (Sui Generis) as an extension to existing, including landscaping, new access road, paths and other infrastructure and creation of new surfaced car parking areas, erection of new composting toilet and bin storage area	Spencer	NTC made no comment on this application
(19)	WNN/2021/0346	Land At Montague Crescent, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire Construction of 16no residential units (comprising 15 bungalows and 1 flat) and new community hall facility together with	Kings Heath	NTC made no comment on this application

		associated car parking and pedestrian pavement access		
(20)	WNN/2021/0413	91 Broadway East, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2PP Conversion of end of terrace house into 2no Flats, including erection of single storey rear extension and single storey side extension to create entrance hall for Flat 1 and rear dormer window	Headlands	NTC made no comment on this application
(21)	WNN/2021/0503	26 Rydalside, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN4 8TP Conversion of garage to annexe including the installation of rear dormer	Briar Hill	NTC made no comment on this application
(22)	WNN/2021/0472	31 Thorpeville, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 7TS New outbuilding to house a pool and garage with new vehicular access	Boothville	NTC made no comment on this application
(23)	WNN/2021/0573	4 Hazelwood Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1LN Prior Notification of Change of Use of 4 and 6 Hazelwood Road from Offices (Use Class E) to 6no Self Contained Apartments (Use Class C3)	Castle	Whilst Northampton Town Council does not object to this application it would like to comment on the concerns it has on the potential this proposal has to put pressure on the local infrastructure, and cause parking congestion in the area. In addition, members could see no provision for bin storage in the plans. We would ask that WNC take note of

				these comments when dealing with this application.
(24)	WNN/2021/0147	229 Broadway East, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2PU Demolition of existing single storey rear extension and construction of new single storey rear extensions and garage conversion	Headlands	NTC made no comment on this application
(25)	N/2020/1097	Development Land Blackthorn Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire Construction of 7no new dwellings and 6no flats with associated access/parking	Rectory Farm/ Talavera	NTC made no comment on this application
(26)	WNN/2021/0405	264 Wellingborough Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 4EJ Change of Use of Ground Floor from Shop (Use Class E) to Cafe/Restaurant/Takeaway (Sui Generis), including insertion of new shop door, installation of extraction flue system to rear side	Abington	NTC made no comment on this application
(27)	WNN/2021/0494	2 Orchard Green, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2TB Single storey front extension	Westone	NTC made no comment on this application
(28)	WNN/2021/0495	17 Beverley Crescent, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2PY Two storey side extension, two storey rear extension and replacement conservatory	Headlands	NTC made no comment on this application
(29)	WNN/2021/0496	113 Fullingdale Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2PZ Single storey rear extension	Headlands	NTC made no comment on this application
(30)	WNN/2021/0548	4 Aberdare Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN5 7DA New conservatory (Retrospective)	Spencer	NTC made no comment on this application
(31)	WNN/2021/0571	Telecommunications Mast Marburg Street, -,	Rectory Farm	NTC made no comment on

		Northampton, Northamptonshire Prior Notification of Installation of 20.0m Phase 8 Monopole C/W wrapround Cabinet at base and associated ancillary works		this application
(32) (33)	WNN/2021/0282 WNN/2021/0283 Listed building consent	1 St Giles Terrace, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 2BN Change of Use of ground, first and second floor from Offices (Use Class E) to House in Multiple Occupation for 6 occupants (Use Class C4), including single storey rear extension	Castle	The Planning Committee of NTC supports this application on the basis of economic regeneration and the restoration of this building.
(34)	N/2021/0478	2 Sheep Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 2LU Change of Use from Retail (Use Class E) to Hot Food Takeaway (Sui Generis), including removal of existing extraction system and erection of new extraction flue system to rear	Castle	NTC made no comment on this application
(35)	WNN/2021/0513	74 Church Way, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 3BX Removal of old uPVC conservatory and replacement with new garden room	Park	NTC made no comment on this application
(36)	WNN/2021/0515	32 Greville Avenue, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6BY Single storey rear extension	Parklands	NTC made no comment on this application
(37)	WNN/2021/0517	16 Thornapple Close, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 8TE New front porch	Rectory Farm	NTC made no comment on this application
(38)	WNN/2021/0451	63 Ashburnham Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 4QY Part single / part two storey rear extension and internal reworks plus demolition of existing garage	Phippsville	NTC made no comment on this application
(39)	WNN/2021/0519	56 Conyngham Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 9TA Garage conversion and single	Riverside	NTC made no comment on this application

		storey rear extension		
(40)	WNN/2021/0458	Queensview Medical Centre Thornton Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN2 6LS Corner infill extension	Semilong	NTC made no comment on this application
(41)	WNN/2021/0607	Telecommunication Equipment Millbrook Close, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire Prior Notification of Installation of 1no 20m telecommunications streetworks pole, 1no equipment cabinet, 1no meter cabinet and associated ancillary development	St James	NTC made no comment on this application
(42)	WNN/2021/0450	2B The Drive, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 4RY Change of Use from Dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) to COVID Visitor Suite and COVID Isolation Rooms (Use Class C2) (Retrospective)	Phippsville	NTC made no comment on this application
(43)	WNN/2021/0551	37 Beaconsfield Terrace, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 3ES Conversion of basement, with new basement window	Castle	NTC made no comment on this application
(44)	WNN/2021/0453	2, Moulton Court Anglia Way, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6JA Installation of louvres and erection of refuse store at 2 and 3 Moulton Court, Anglia Way	Parklands	NTC made no comment on this application
(45)	WNN/2021/0560	15 Nuthall Close, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 9XA Conversion of existing conservatory into single storey, monopitched rear extension and conversion of existing garage with first floor extension over	Riverside	NTC made no comment on this application
(46)	N/2021/0348	31 Connaught Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 3BP Change of Use from Dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) to House in Multiple Occupation (Use Class C4) for three	Castle	NTC made no comment on this application

		occupants		
(47)	WNN/2021/0615	35 Church Way, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 3BT Removal of existing conservatory and replacement with ground floor rear extension	Park	NTC made no comment on this application

Signed.....Chair

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Northampton Town Council

Planning Committee – 13th September 2021

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Purpose of Report: To inform members of the planning applications received by the office since the last meeting and give some basic context on the planning process.

- Recommended:** (a) That the committee consider the applications and make comments accordingly
(b) That members inform officers if they wish to make reference to an application(s) prior to the meeting

Applications

Application	Site Address and Proposal	Ward
(1) WNN/2021/0348	6 Sheep Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 2LU Removal of existing extraction system and erection of new extraction flue system at rear of 6 Sheep Street and extension of operating hours to 01:30 (am).	Castle
(2) N/2021/0362	96 Louise Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 3RR Variation of Conditions 2 and 3 of Planning Permission N/2019/1114 (Ground floor rear extension with internal alterations, alterations to existing first floor window to french doors and new rooflights to rear elevation) to amend the design, including new rooflights and change in materials	Castle
(3) WNN/2021/0487	15 Mapperley Drive, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 9UF Replacement of existing 6ft fence with new 6ft fence lap panels, 1.2m away from boundary line (footpath).	Riverside
(4) WNN/2021/0638	22 Hawthorn Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2JH Change of Use from Dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) to House in Multiple Occupation (Use Class C4) to 6 occupants, including single storey rear extension	Phippsville/ Headlands
(5) N/2021/0357	26 Semilong Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN2 6BH Conversion of House in Multiple Occupation (Use Class C4) into 2no Flats (Use Class C3), external alterations including new brick wall and windows	Semilong
(6) WNN/2021/0654	Flat A, 39 Semilong Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN2 6BT New entrance to front elevation of basement	Semilong

		flat (Flat A)	
(7)	WNN/2021/0649	60 Weedon Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN5 5BE Single storey side extension to create shower room	St James
(8)	WNN/2021/0651	103 Beech Avenue, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2JW Erection of new dwelling to rear of 103 Beech Avenue	Phippsville/ Headlands
(9)	WNN/2021/0239	10 Lowlands Close, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 5EP Installation of polycarbonate roof structure to create patio canopy to rear of property	Rectory Farm
(10)	WNN/2021/0661	11 Colwyn Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 3PZ Installation of rear and front Velux windows	Castle
(11)	WNN/2021/0561	22 The Poplars Greenfinch Drive, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 7HX Erection of new double garage	Boothville
(12)	WNN/2021/0469	45 Malcolm Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN2 7EB New two storey attached dwelling on the land adjacent to the 45 Malcolm Road.	Kingsley
(13)	WNN/2021/0416	21 Lark Rise, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 8QT New single garage to front of dwelling	Brookside
(14)	WNN/2021/0698	14 Save The Children St Giles Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1JA Change of Use of First and Second Floors from Offices (Use Class E) to House in Multiple Occupation (Use Class C4) for 4 occupants	Castle
(15)	WNN/2021/0692	Car Park Premises Millfield Enterprises Hazelwood Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1LG Construction of 8no new one bedroom flats on existing car park site	Castle
(16) (17) LB consent	WNN/2021/0693 WNN/2021/0694	Springfield Cliftonville, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 5BE Alteration to carpark access off Cliftonville to include removal of pier, partial demolition of boundary wall, widen access width and reinstate pier and wall and widen crossover in footpath	Rushmills
(18)	WNN/2021/0419	My Fab Lodge Way, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN5 7US Extension to front (south) of existing unit (Unit 4)	Kings Heath
(19)	WNN/2021/0420	32 Bibury Crescent, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6AG Demolition of 32 & 34 Bibury Crescent, erection of 5no new dwellings, associated landscaping,	Boothville

		private amenity space and construction of shared driveway	
(20)	N/2020/1515	58 Booth Rise, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6HR Reserved Matters Application pursuant to Outline Planning Permission N/2017/1659 (Outline planning permission with all matters reserved except access for 4 residential dwellings with associated car parking and access from Booth Rise)	Boothville
(21)	WNN/2021/0711	15 Spinney Hill Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6DH Single storey side extension on one side and opposite side for single garage	Parklands
(22)	WNN/2021/0699	Land For Car Parking Duston Mill Lane, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire Erection of Industrial Unit (Use Class B2/B8) along with associated means of access (Site 2A/2B)	St James
(23)	WNN/2021/0700	26 Morrisons Superstore Victoria Promenade, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1HB Installation of windscreen repair pod, car body repair pod and wheel repair pod (Amendment to Planning Permission N/2020/0151)	Castle
(24)	WNN/2021/0702	24 Norman Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2SG Loft conversion including front dormer (rear dormer and hip to gable to be formed under permitted development)	Headlands
(25)	WNN/2021/0695	Unit 1, Cirrus Park Lower Farm Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6UR Rear extension (Retrospective)	Parklands
(26)	WNN/2021/0687	Clarke Telecom Wisteria Way, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire Remove existing 12.5m pole and install replacement 20m pole to support 3no. antennas and ancillary equipment thereto including 6no. RRH units and 2no. dishes'	Rushmills
(27)	WNN/2021/0242	91 Cedar Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 4RW Variation of condition 2 of planning permission N/2020/0807 (Conversion of single dwelling to 2no flats) to amend internal flat layouts.	Phippsville
(28)	WNN/2021/0421	10 Greenway, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 3BW Single storey rear and side extension, replacing existing outbuilding	Park
(29)	WNN/2021/0262	19 Robert Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 3BL Change of Use from Dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) to House in Multiple Occupation (Use Class	Castle

		C4) for 5 occupants (Retrospective)	
(30)	WNN/2021/0574	44 Fir Tree Walk, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 3DT Demolition of existing garage and side extension and construction of replacement single storey side extension, covered garden pergola and outbuilding	Westone
(31)	WNN/2021/0241	Northampton Saints R F C, Franklins Gardens Weedon Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN5 5BG Retention of temporary Portacabin for two more years	St James
(32)	WNN/2021/0621	41 Viscount Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 5BJ Single storey front extension	Rectory Farm
(33)	WNN/2021/0476	85 87 Weedon Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN5 5BG Extension to front/side facade to create additional retail space	St James
(34)	WNN/2021/0513	42 Druids Way, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 6EB Single storey rear extension	Parklands
(35)	WNN/2021/0656	148 Lindsay Avenue, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2JU Single storey rear extension	Headlands
(36)	WNN/2021/0659	13 Rushmere Avenue, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 5SD Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension and loft conversion	Rushmills
(37)	WNN/2021/0675	6 East Butterfield Court, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 8JG Ground and first floor front and rear extension and garage conversion	Talavera
(38)	WNN/2021/0619	24 Longford Avenue, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 9HN Extension of the rear garden to the rear and enclosure with 1.8m high fencing alignment (Retrospective)	Riverside
(39)	WNN/2021/0620	26 Longford Avenue, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 9HN Extension of the rear garden to the rear and enclosure with 1.8m high fencing alignment (Retrospective)	Riverside
(40)	WNN/2021/0502	126 The Headlands, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2NY Single storey side extension with new roof to existing garage	Headlands
(41)	WNN/2021/0251	31 Drapery, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 2EU Construction of one and a half storey extension above and conversion of building into 4no one	Castle

		bedroom flats	
(42)	N/2021/0474	65 St Giles Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1JF Change of Use from Offices (Use Class E) to Mixed Use -Commercial (Use Class E) to ground floor front and 10no Flats (Use Class C3) to upper floors, including three storey rear extension to existing building.	Castle
(43)	WNN/2021/0442	15 Abington Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 2AN Installation of 1no new CO2 gas cooler, 3no floor mounted AC units and new Satellite Dish mounted on roof	Castle
(44)	WNN/2021/0705	279 Wellingborough Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 4EW Shop front alteration and conversion of upper floor to office use (Use Class E) (Part Retrospective)	Abington
(45)	WNN/2021/0414	Market Walk Shopping Centre Market Square, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire Partial demolition and conversion of shopping centre and construction of two storey extension to provide student accommodation comprising of 352no bedrooms and bed spaces (mix of studio and cluster types), retention of 2no retail units at lower ground floor level (Use Class E) and 1no retail unit at upper ground floor level (Use Class E) with alterations to Market Square and Abington Street Facades	Castle
(46)	WNN/2021/0549	178 Kettering Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 4BH Change of Use from Shop (Use Class E) to Takeaway (Sui Generis)	Eastfield
(47)	WNN/2021/0593	30 32 Wycliffe Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 5JF Change of Use from Commercial Offices (Use Class E) to 5no One Bedroom Flats and 1no Two Bedroom Flat	Abington
(48)	WNN/2021/0508	34 36 Colemans St Giles Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1JW Change of Use from Retail (Use Class E) to Takeaway (Sui Generis)	Castle
(49)	WNN/2021/0509	34 36 Colemans St Giles Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1JW Replacement signage	Castle
(50) LB	WNN/2021/0512	1 Abington Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 2AN	Castle
(51)	WNN/2021/0511	Listed Building Consent Application for Change of Use from Retail (Use Class E) to Games Based Bar/Restaurant (Sui Generis), including full refurbishment of ground and first floors and	

		removal of existing signage	
(52)	WNN/2021/0207	479 Wellingborough Road, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 3HN Change of Use from Foot Clinic (Use Class E) at ground and basement level to residential flat (Use Class C3)	Phippsville
(53)	WNN/2021/0498	35 Bridge Street, -, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN1 1NS Change of Use of First, Second and Third Floors from Retail/Barbers (Use Class E) and Flats (Use Class C3) into House in Multiple Occupation (Use Class C4). Retention of Basement and Ground Floor for Retail use.	Castle

Planning Committee

Oxford to Cambridge Arc Consultation – report of Interim Town Clerk

Recommended: (i) That the committee considers whether it wishes to respond to the consultation or just note it
(ii) If responding then the committee considers how best to do this. An option suggested is that the Chair and any other interested committee members collate a response to the consultation and are delegated to respond on the committee's behalf

Oxford Cambridge Arc – Consultation

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) has issued a letter to parish and town councils in the five counties in the footprint of the Oxford-Cambridge Arc. You will note the letter highlights the consultation on the Spatial Framework for the Arc, which opened on 20 July 2021 and closes on 12 October 2021 and to which I have previously referred to in my updates. Attached is the letter for information.

The consultation document can be downloaded from

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1003974/Creating_a_vision_for_the_Oxford-Cambridge_Arc.pdf

The government are encouraging responses to the consultation from town and parish councils as well as from individuals. Further details on the proposals and the consultation are included in the letter and the consultation document.

Thursday, 2 September 2021

Dear Parish Councillor,

Re: Oxford-Cambridge Arc public consultation – closes on 12 October 2021

On 20th July, central government published a consultation to engage with local communities about the future of the Oxford-Cambridge Arc, seeking views to help shape a vision for the Spatial Framework.

It's about this consultation that we write today, as we urgently want to make sure as many people have the opportunity to contribute to this consultation. We are particularly keen to hear from those communities that may be traditionally less well heard or have little experience of engaging with government and consultations. We are therefore asking if you could help to share information about it among residents, businesses and local organisations. For example, you could share information in your resident newsletters, on your Facebook page or on your noticeboards.

Consultation information:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1003974/Creating_a_vision_for_the_Oxford-Cambridge_Arc.pdf

Consultation responses online submission: <https://placebuilder.io/futureofthearc>

Background

The Arc spans the five counties of Oxfordshire, Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Northamptonshire and Cambridgeshire. This forms an 'Arc', which provides a place to live for approximately 3.7 million residents and supports over 2 million jobs

It is a unique place, home to cutting-edge research, globally renowned science and technology clusters, and some of the most productive towns and cities in the country. It contains a vibrant natural environment, world-leading universities, and a rich cultural heritage, all of which makes it a desirable place to live, visit, work and invest. The Arc is home to one of the fastest growing economies in England, and has been designated by the Government as an area of national economic importance.

We have an opportunity to benefit communities by better connecting people, places, services and businesses through more sustainable transport and ensuring development across the area is truly sustainable. However, if we are to meet the challenges that come with growth and protect and enhance the Arc's heritage and environment, we must plan better across administrative boundaries and seek to provide for future needs, delivering the right development and supporting infrastructure in the right places at the right times.

In February this year, the Government [published details](#) about the intention to create a long-term strategic plan for the Arc, called a 'spatial framework'. This Spatial Framework will provide a vision for the future of the whole area to 2050 and beyond, in order to better coordinate and focus investment and shape future local planning decisions on how land is

used, how the environment is protected and enhanced, where and what type of new development happens, and what infrastructure is provided. It which will set national planning policy and national transport policy for the Arc, helping to guide strategic development in the area in a way that supports sustainable economic growth and benefits communities across the Arc.

Consultation

This consultation is the first phase of the Government's work on this Spatial Framework and brings a different approach to how and when central government engages locally on what will be national policy. The Government is engaging at this early stage to make sure those who live, work or have an interest in the region can have a meaningful voice in the development of the Spatial Framework, and that it can be built upon the aspirations and needs of the people it will serve.

This first consultation is seeking views from the public about their vision for the area, and their priorities for the Arc in the years to come.

These views will help shape the vision for the Arc Spatial Framework, ultimately guiding future growth in the Arc to 2050. Alongside the consultation to create a vision, the Government is also seeking views on its initial plans for the Framework's Sustainability Appraisal - its process for ensuring that any policy going into the Framework is developed with environmental, economic and social sustainability at its heart.

This consultation marks the first of a three-stage process for the development of the Spatial Framework, as outlined by the Government. There will be two further consultations and other opportunities to liaise with central Government on the future of the Arc across the two-year project

Maximising participation

It is important that the vision for this Spatial Framework reflects the aspirations and priorities of those living, working, or with an interest in communities across the Arc. This is why we ask directly for your help in bringing this consultation to the attention of your residents and networks, particularly younger people and people who wouldn't normally engage in processes like this.

To this e-letter, we attach a poster and some promotional materials that you could share online.

The government has also created an [online toolkit](#) which can be used by councils and local organisations to help inform discussion about what the Spatial Framework will be and about the key themes in the consultation. The central government team has engaged with the communications teams and representatives of the County, Unitary and District councils across the Oxford-Cambridge Arc on this consultation and toolkit.

We expect that local councils will be submitting individual responses to the consultation, as well as a joint response through the Arc Leadership Group. We encourage all Parish Councillors and councils to respond also.

To gather views from residents and local businesses, the Government has launched a new online tool, designed to make it as quick and easy as possible for residents and members of the public to make their voice heard. This can be found here: <https://placebuilder.io/futureofthearc>. Alternatively, written submissions can be sent in also. Details about this can be found in the [consultation information](#).

Yours faithfully,

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