

<b><u>FLITTON AND GREENFIELD PARISH COUNCIL</u></b>	
Minutes of the Planning Sub Committee held at the Church Hall, Flitton on Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2017 <b>Present:</b> N Thompson (Chairman), J Fisher, T King, P Woodland, R Stokes, N Gates, N Mackie and D Lawson (Clerk)	
<b>1. APOLOGIES AND SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	
Cllrs M Lowe and Cllrs N Arthur sent apologies. Cllr P Woodland declared an interest in the Appeal at Thriftwood. Cllr Thompson took the Chair and welcomed new Cllr Nigel Mackie to his first meeting.	
<b>2. MINUTES</b>	
The previous minutes had been presented to the Council meeting in January.	
<b>3. CONSIDERATION OF CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS</b>	
<b>New front entrance, conversion of existing garage and new single detached garage at 19 Silsoe Road, Flitton, Bedford, MK45 5EE</b> This application was discussed and it was agreed to comment that the size of the porch was concerning and could intrude rather too much on the street scene, but there were no objections subject to the nearby residents not opposing the plans	
<b>Agreed</b> that the response should be a comment not objecting	DL
<b>Advertisement - New Signage Scheme The Jolly Coopers, Wardhedges Road, Flitton, Bedford, MK45 5ED</b> It was agreed that this application gave the Public House a modern and fresh appearance and should be supported	
<b>Agreed</b> to support the application	DL
<b>4. PLANNING APPEALS and DECISIONS</b>	
There were three new Appeals <b>Thriftwood (2 dwellings)_Sand Road (18 dwellings) and Land to the rear of 50 Flitton Road Greenfield (3 dwellings).</b> It was agreed to send a further letter on each Appeal relating to the current land supply, results of the Housing Needs Survey and the recent Appeal decision Cllr Thompson outlined the recent decisions made at the CBC Planning Committee on 1 Feb 2017 when both he and Cllr Ellis has spoken, but when permissions were granted at Land at Greenfield Road Flitton and 11 Brook Lane Flitton and Members expressed thanks for their efforts.	DL
<b>5. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN</b>	
Cllr Fisher noted that a recent meeting had been cancelled and re-arranged for next week. The Housing Needs Survey had now been done and the GI work was reaching conclusion, and the broad Principles agreed. The next stage is the first draft which may be ready in the Summer..	
<b>6. AOB</b>	
Cllr Thompson noted that the Housing White Paper had now been published and there were three main points to note, a limit of two years on builders to implement approvals, more funding to the Planning Authority for the process and that Greenbelt land would be used only as a last resort. CBC will now be able to proceed on the Local Plan Cllr Thompson also reported back following a meeting with local MP Nadine Dorries and how she shared the Parish Council's concerns about the planning process and agreed to pass these on to the Housing Minister	

The meeting ended at 20:10h