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Howard Miller

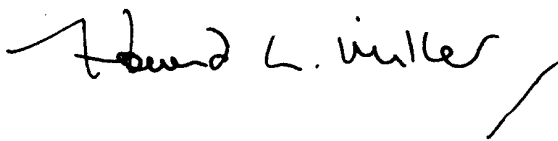
To: The Chair and Members of the
Development Control Committee

13 October 1999

Dear Councillor

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE** to be held at the Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes on **WEDNESDAY 20 OCTOBER 1999 at 7.30 pm** when the business set out overleaf will be transacted.

Yours faithfully



Chief Executive

Councillor Kilkeny (Chair)
Councillor Pendry (Vice-Chair)
Councillors Barton, Benning, Bristow, Clark, Ellis, Lewis, McCall, O'Sullivan, Stanyer, Tapp and Tilley

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AGENDA

Item No:

1. Apologies

2. Minutes

To approve, and the Chair to sign as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on 22 September 1999.

3. Declarations of Interest

Members and officers to declare any interests they may have in the business to be transacted in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972.

4. Public Participation

To consider the following items in accordance with the written Rules of Procedure for Public Participation in the Determination of Planning Applications:

(a) Deputations

The following deputations have been received for consideration at this meeting:

- (i) “To object to the **Planning Application 99/01246/MKGTNO** for developing at or near the junction of the V2 with Bowland Drive, Emerson Valley, Milton Keynes. We object to this application on the grounds that:

1. We believe that it is an unwarranted, unwanted eyesore.
2. It is a potential health risk to all the residents in our area.
3. It will cause the loss of further amenities.

We, therefore, urge the Committee to reject this application.”

A further deputation has also been received concerning Planning Application No. 99/01246/MKGTNO.

- (ii) “To oppose **Planning Application No. 99/01233/MK** (8-10 High Street, Hanslope).”

(b) Petitions

A petition containing 168 signatures has been received, objecting to **Planning Application 99/01246/MKGTNO**.

Any further petitions will be reported at the meeting.

(c) Representations from Objectors on Planning Applications

To receive representations from objectors, of which notice has been given, and replies from applicants in accordance with the written rules of procedure. To date, no notification has been received from members of the public, of any request to speak in objection to any planning applications.

(d) Adjournment to Hear Members of the Public

There are no items not related to planning applications.

(e) Questions

To receive questions from Members of the public in accordance with Standing Order P28, not related to planning applications.

5. Ward Matters

(a) Planning Application 99/01246/MKGTNO

Councillor Swepston has asked the Committee to consider the following matter:

“In view of the continued applications for the erection of telecommunications equipment in and around Emerson Valley, and particularly the latest at the junction of the V2 and Bowland Drive, which is adjacent to the planned first school, and the distress that this has caused to local residents; that any developers be requested to develop and abide by a code of practice which involves full consultation with the local communities before any planning application is submitted.”

(b) Planning Application 99/01246/MKGTNO

Councillor Burke has asked the Committee to consider the following matter:

“I ask the Committee to **refuse** the planning application above, on the following grounds:

1. The site of the antennae is next to the sites proposed for:
 - (a) the Emerson Valley First School (the only available site in Emerson Valley North for the school);
 - (b) the Emerson Valley North Meeting Place or Local Shops (possible site);
 - (c) Children’s Day Nursery, Tattenhoe (reserved site); and
 - (d) Old Peoples’ Sheltered Home, Tattenhoe (reserved site).

If the antennae is built, then it is unlikely that any private developer would build any of these much needed community facilities, as none of the local residents would use or send their children to any of the facilities. It would also be impossible to alter the land use of these sites to houses, as no one

would be prepared in the present climate to live in the shadow of this antennae. Is one antennae worth the loss of four much needed amenities?

2. The meeting of the Environment Committee held on 14 September 1999 (Minute EN41/00 refers), and namely the resolutions 2 and 4:

Resolution 2

That Orange PCS Limited be requested that applications 1 and 2 shown on the plans, could potentially be placed on roundabouts (not grid roads).

Resolution 4

That a Working Party of three Members be established to meet with Orange PCS Limited and other potential suppliers, to discuss a policy on telecommunications antenna.

As the Environment Committee's Working Party has not had an opportunity to meet and decide on the criteria for approving application for antenna, I would ask that if the Council is not willing to refuse this application for reason 1, above, then would they please defer the decision until the Working Party has had a chance to decide this Council's policy on this matter.

3. The antenna is not to be landscaped, detracting from the views of Howe Park Wood, a site of Special Scientific Interest.
4. The antenna does not appear to be vandal proofed, or given its nearness to the grid road, any account of the risk of accidental damage by cars or lorries in the application.
5. The antenna is also in an area that is prone to lightning strikes.

I also ask the committee to note the paper for **Guidance for Siting Telecommunication Antenna** presented at the Environment Committee, held on 14 September 1999, and the Local Plan Policy DC28.

For any one of these reasons, I believe that this application should be refused by this Committee. If the Committee are still minded to approve the application, I would ask them to visit the site for themselves before any decision is taken."

6. Planning Matters

To consider Schedules 1 to (Item 6) (**Page 5**)

7. Questions on Committee's News Sheet

To ask questions on any items included on the Committee's News Sheet (if circulated).

8. Members' Items

No items have been received for consideration at this meeting.