



# BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Dear Sir or Madam,

**APPLICATION NO:** 18/00140/MAO Major Outline Application  
**PROPOSAL:** Outline planning application for up to 249 dwellings including vehicular access from Gold Lane, emergency only access from the A4280, pedestrian and cycle links, public open space, car parking, drainage, landscaping and other associated works. All matters are reserved except for access.  
**LOCATION :** Land Off Deep Spinney Biddenham Bedfordshire

The application for the above proposed development is included in the Agenda for the next Planning Committee on **29.10.2018**. The officer Recommendation is to **Refuse Permission. To read** the Agenda and Committee Report on-line: Go to [www.bedford.gov.uk/searchplans](http://www.bedford.gov.uk/searchplans) From the MAIN MENU of the left hand side, click on 'Planning Committee'

At this stage, I do not know whether there will be any requests from the public or from the applicant to address the Meeting in accordance with the Committee's 'Right to Speak' Rules. However, local councils may also address the Committee for up to 5 minutes if either of the following applies:-

Where the recommendation is for approval and objectors register to address the Committee, or, where the recommendation is for refusal.

Where the recommendation is for approval and objectors have not registered to speak, there is no opportunity for the local council representative to speak.

**A Summary of the Right To Speak Rules is set out over the page explaining the process.**

Full details may be viewed online at [www.bedford.gov.uk/planningcommittee](http://www.bedford.gov.uk/planningcommittee)

Yours faithfully,

Planning Services

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Objectors and Applicants must register their intention to speak with the Committee Services Officer before 4.45 pm on the Friday before committee. (To register or if you have any questions about the procedure, telephone 01234 228799 or email [RighttoSpeak@bedford.gov.uk](mailto:RighttoSpeak@bedford.gov.uk)). Please note: Late requests will not be accepted. For a variety of reasons, an application can be withdrawn from the Agenda, sometimes at the last moment and we may not be able to inform you in time. You should therefore check with the Committee Services Officer on the date of the Committee if you are aiming to attend the Meeting, in case it has been withdrawn. If the application does not go to the meeting it will either be determined under delegated powers or if it is to be reported to a subsequent meeting, we will write again and inform you.

- All parties wishing to speak about an application must do so within a single five minute period. That may be varied at the discretion of the Chair in major cases. Supporters and/or applicants will have the same length of time to address the Committee.
- Those people speaking will not be permitted to circulate additional written documents in support of oral representations. Photographs, plans or illustrations may not be displayed or circulated at the meeting.
- Members of the Committee may question the Speaker.
- Parish Councils and Ward Councillors may also address the Committee.
- You should remember, when deciding whether or not to ask to speak at the meeting that the officer's report and recommendation can change on the night of the meeting. It is also possible that a Member of the Council will speak on behalf of one of the parties. In such a case you might wish afterwards that you had spoken yourself to put forward your views.
- If, after being considered at the meeting on 29.10.2018 the application is deferred for further consideration, there will not be a further opportunity to speak on the same application at any subsequent Meeting.
- For more information about the application please either go to [www.bedford.gov.uk/searchplans](http://www.bedford.gov.uk/searchplans) or contact Customer Services on (01234 718068). If you are unable to view online please visit the Customer Services Centre at Horne Lane Bedford.