

44/15 Ward Members' Reports

Council noted that no written reports had been submitted by Members. Verbal reports were as follows:

- i.** Cllr Shrimpton advised that the sale of Willen surgery to Newcrest had still not completed. The receivers are investigating the possibility of having the covenant lifted.
- ii.** Cllr Halton-Davis drew members' attention to the bunting on display, the result of a schools competition. Schools were given a brief and invited to produce bunting to be displayed at the Parish Picnics with a first prize of £100 towards the school library. Two of the schools had not complied with the brief and Orchards could not find theirs. Members were invited to vote for the winning bunting, but no outcome was arrived at during the meeting.
- iii.** Cllr Pafford reported on three items.
He had attended a memorial service for Derek John Walker, senior architect, MK Development Corporation.
Crest Nicholson had once again blocked off the right of way in Woolstone and he had raised the issue with Milton Keynes Council.
Contacted the Parks Trust re a quad bike event held over the weekend of the 13/14 June as the bikes had been using the red ways.
- iv.** Cllr Baines advised that he had attended MK Gallacticos presentation night. Both MK Gallacticos and MK Dons had praised the Parish Council for their support. He also attended their play-off event, 96 teams had taken part and again MK Gallacticos acknowledged the support the Parish Council

45/15 Public Involvement – Deputations, Petitions and Questions

A Fishermead resident, who had lived on the estate for 15 years drew Council's attention to the landscaping on the play area between Penryn Avenue and Gurnards Avenue. The trees and shrubs were extremely overgrown with a cracked Willow with the potential to fall at any time and the density of the trees and shrubs causing a risk to children's safety. Cllr Baines to liaise with the resident and the Parish Council to take the issue up with Milton Keynes Council.

46/15 To Receive Reports from Committees

46a Minutes of the Planning & Policy Committee

Chair: Cllr T Baines

Council noted and accepted the minutes.

- i. Draft Minute No. 11iv/15 - 14/02589/MIN - Construction of waste transfer station, ready mixed concrete plant and overnight parking of 14 x HGVs at Cotton Valley Sewage Works Portway Pineham MK15 9PA**
Cllr Baines advised the Committee that the application would be considered at Milton Keynes Development Control Committee on the 9th July and as Chair of the Planning & Policy Committee invited Council to bring forward the next meeting of the Committee to the 29th June in order to finalise the Parish Council's statement of objection. The proposal was approved.
Clarification was sought from Council on the use of the noise assessment report on motocross at Pineham as submitted by the Parks Trust and FX15 at the Planning Inquiry in 2014 and the ruling by the Planning Inspector that the noise levels were unacceptable. The noise assessment was very similar to that provided by Mick George and reference to it would support the Parish Councils objection to the planning application. Cllr Petchey as lead member for Planning confirmed that the report was in the public domain and could be used to support the objections as the proposed development was closer to the residential area.

Signed.....Chair

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Council resolved to appoint an external consultant to examine the noise figures as supplied by the applicant and to carry out an independent noise assessment; Milton Keynes Council were not carrying out a similar exercise.

Under this item Cllr Pafford raised the issue of Planning Application 15/00843/FUL and was advised that the application would be considered at the June meeting.

46b Minutes of the Finance & Administration Committee
Chair: Cllr I Fraser

Council noted and accepted the minutes.

i. Draft Minute No. 08/15 - Parish Council Final Accounts 2014/15

This item was considered under Minute No. 47/15

ii. Draft Minute No. 10/15 - Review of Financial Regulations

This item was considered under Minute No. 49ii/15

46c Minutes of the Personnel Committee
Chair: Cllr T Fraser

Council noted and accepted the minutes.

The 2 items for ratification, were taken in the Confidential Item section under Minute Nos 53/15 and 54/15

46d Minutes of the Community & Environment Committee
Chair: Cllr L Harris

Council noted and accepted the minutes.

Under this item Cllr Halton-Davis drew members' attention to Minute No.10/15 - Parish Council Community Picnic events and advised Council that without the support of more councillors the events on Fishermead and Oldbrook would not take place. Cllr Greenwood volunteered to assist at the event at Oldbrook and Cllrs Baines and Priest in their role as FRA members would assist at Fishermead.

Cllr Halton-Davis advised that a small budget for entertainment had been set aside for the events and invited Council to approve the following expenditure:

Mr Bubbles (children's entertainer) £60 per hour – 5 hours in total

200 bottles of children's bubbles for each event - £500

Council approved the expenditure

Cllr Oguntola joined the meeting at 8.05 and gave her apologies for being late due to work commitment

46e Minutes of the Communications Committee
Chair: Cllr D Priest

Council noted and accepted the minutes.

Under this item Cllr Pafford raised two issues – the Parish Council web site and Mirus contract agreement relating to resolution of pc issues.

The Chair of Council advised that the website was in the process of being propagated and Cllr T Fraser would email all members with the procedure for reporting and returning faulty computers.

46f Emergency Plan Committee

Council noted that no further progress has been made on this item since the last meeting of Council.

46g WW1 Centenary Working Group

Council noted that no further progress has been made on this item since the last meeting of Council.

Signed.....Chair

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47/15 Parish Council Final Accounts 2014/15

Council resolved to approve the 2014/15 year-end accounts

48/15 Parish Council Annual Return 2014/2015

A copy of the Annual Return was circulated to all members. The Chair having read out each statement and Council approving each individual statement in Sections 2 and 4, Council approved the Annual Return for 2014/2015 and instructed the Chair of Council to sign off the Annual Return.

49/15 Review of Parish Council Standing Orders and Financial Regulations
i. Standing Orders

It was noted that the section headings had not been numbered, Clerk to Council advising that this would be rectified, Council resolved to accept the Working Groups recommendations and adopted the modified version of the NALC model Standing Orders for use by the Parish Council

ii. Review of Financial Regulations (Minute No. 10/15)

It was noted that that 11g required the salient Standing Order reference to be inserted, Clerk to Council advising that this would be rectified, Council resolved to accept the Working Groups recommendations and adopted the modified version of the NALC Financial Regulations for use by the Parish Council

50/15 Members' Items

i. Landscaping of Fishermead

Cllr Petchey gave a presentation on landscaping in Fishermead based on a pictorial walk from the Four Bridges roundabout down through Fishermead. On the conclusion of a lengthy debate, and the following motion being proposed and seconded, Council resolved to:

- Identify areas of concern, including outdated and redundant landscaping and to then raise the issue with Milton Keynes Council, and to seek grant funding to finance landscape regeneration.
- Take responsibility for public areas on a moral stance but not as a legal requirement
- Form a new Committee to progress the issue, with Cllrs Baines, Halton-Davis, Kendrick, Oguntola, Petchey and Priest nominated to form the Committee.

ii. Community Asset Transfer: Trinity Centre

Cllr Petchey advised Council that the Pentewan Gate depot has been identified on the first tranche of MKC's Community Asset Transfer programme with the Trinity Centre to be included in the programme at a later date.

He invited Council to consider registering an interest in acquiring the Pentewan Gate depot and to further consider the implications of the asset transfer of the Trinity Centre. If the Parish Council is not minded to bid for the Trinity Centre, it should formally advise Milton Keynes Council of their stance and note that the withdrawal of Milton Keynes Council funding of the centre will have serious implications for the Centre as it cannot function without the funding. The Parish Council will need to consider that they may be approached for funding and this will need to be considered when preparing future budgets.

The Clerk advised that the first opportunity to learn more about the asset transfer, particularly Pentewan Gate will be at the meeting on the 6th August at the Parish Office.

Cllr Baines, in his role of Chair of the Fishermead Residents Association (FRA) advised Council that the FRA were actively looking to bid for the depot as a drop-in centre and store and if they were unsuccessful, then it was a real possibility that the FRA would fold.

Signed.....Chair

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Cllr Kendrick asked that it be noted that having previously declared an interest in the item as a member of the Trinity Centre Management Committee, he would have also declared an interest in the item as a member of the Fishermead Resident's Association had he had known that the debate was going to make reference to the potential Community Asset Transfer of the Pentewan Gate Depot to the Association.

51/15 Appointment New Committees (Minute No. 10/15)

The Chair invited Council to defer this item until such time as the Business Plan had been prepared and approved by Council. Council agreed to the deferment.

52/15 Training Courses and Conferences

Council noted the following training and conferences.

Provider	Date	Venue	Content	Cost £
Public Sector Road Show	25 th June	Excel London		Free
Guardian First Aid Training Ltd	To be confirmed	Parish Council premises	Fire Marshall training	£400/up to 12 delegates
NALC	Wed 15.7.15	Central London	What's Next for Local Councils	£90 per delegate
NALC	Wed 2.12.15	TBC	Larger Councils Conference	TBC

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

In view of the terms of Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, the following items will be likely to disclose exempt information relating to establishment and contractual matters and Council resolved that pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded.
Items 17 and 18

Personnel Minutes – Items for ratification

53/15 Draft Minute No. 09/15 - Employee Salary Spine Points

Council resolved to accept the Committee's recommendations in full.

54/15 Draft Minute No. 10/15 - Staff Job Grade Structure

Council resolved to accept the Committee's recommendations, with the following amendment: That the Deputy Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer be awarded one additional salary spine point in addition to those provisions made under Personnel Minute No. 09/15.

55/15 Committee Meeting Dates

Council noted the dates of the forthcoming Committee meetings and that the Planning & Policy Committee meeting would now take place on Monday 29th June 2015 (Minute No. 46ai/15)

Community & Environment – Monday 22nd June 2015, 6.30pm

Communications – Wednesday 24th June 2015, 6.30pm

Finance & Administration – Tuesday 7th July 2015, 7pm

Personnel – Monday 13th July 2015, 6.30pm

56/15 Date of Next Meetings

21st July 2015 – Cllr Halton-Davis gave her apologies for the meeting 18th August 2015 (if required, in order to address any urgent business)

Signed.....Chair

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