

Minutes of the Meeting of the Buildings & Property Portfolio Committee held remotely in accordance with The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, on Tuesday 9th March 2021 commencing at 7.00pm

Given the current Government advice in relation to public gatherings, members of the public were not able to physically attend this meeting to observe proceedings, they were however able to access and participate at the meeting through the use of Microsoft Teams – see the Parish Council website <https://www.campbell-park.gov.uk/> for details.

Commencement of Meeting

Members and public were advised that the meeting would be recorded.

102/20 Members Present

Cllr T Baines	Cllr K Jones
Cllr E Dicerbo	Cllr K Kavarana
Cllr T Fraser	Cllr K Kent
Cllr R Golding (Chair)	Cllr D Pafford
Cllr B Greenwood	

In Attendance

D Warner, Clerk to Council

103/20 Apologies for Absence

Committee received and approved the following:

Cllr D Kendrick – personal commitment

Cllr T Uranta – personal commitment

104/20 Declarations of Interest

None

105/20 Members of the Public Present

None

106/20 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 9th February 2021

The Minutes of the meeting, having previously been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

Under this item the Clerk confirmed that further work was being carried out to prevent illegal encampments on Parish Council land, the cost of the works to be reported at the next meeting.

107/20 Public Involvement – Deputations, Petitions and Questions

No deputations, petitions or questions had been submitted

108/20 Milton Keynes Council Community Asset Transfer Scheme – Potential Future Transfers (Minute No. 14/20, C61ci/20, 30/20, 46/20, 60/20, 91/20)

Committee noted that Milton Keynes Council (MKC) have scheduled initial meetings with the respective management committees of Willen Pavilion and Woolstone Community Centre regarding their potential transfers.

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MKC have confirmed the desire to hold three-way meetings, including the Parish Council in the near future. The Clerk went on to confirm that all meetings had been suspended until after the election Purdah period.

- 109/20 Community Asset Transfer Scheme - Additional Application** (Minute No. 92/20)
Committee noted that a (conditional) expression of interest had been submitted to Milton Keynes Council regarding the potential acquisition of the play area adjacent to Fishermead Sports Ground.
- 110/20 Parish Council Defibrillator Maintenance** (Minute No. 78/20, 93/20)
Committee received an update from Cllr Pafford on his communications with the owners of the building where the Woolstone unit is located – the unit has a technical issue that needs resolving. Cllr Pafford confirmed that he had not received a reply to date, but would attempt to make further contact.
- 111/20 Dolben Court/Newport Road Allotments Perimeter Fencing** (Minute No. 79/20, 95/20)
Committee noted that Secure-a-Field have completed phase 1 of the perimeter fence renewal. Further noting that Secure-a-Field plan to commence work to renew the gates and part of the fencing at the Newport Road allotment site during week commencing 15.03.21
- 112/20 Tree Maintenance Work at CPPC Sites** (Minute No. 82/20, 96/20)
Committee noted that a semi-mature Hornbeam tree will be planted at Woolstone Sports Ground in the coming month to replace the recently removed diseased Horse Chestnut tree at the site. Tree cost including installation £1,005 + VAT.
- 113/20 Play Area Improvements – Pirate Park, Kernow Crescent** (Minute No. 97/20)
Committee identified the initial steps and potential timeline for the installation of the fenced play area for Under 5's at Kernow Crescent play area, agreeing to commence planning the project in April 2021, with the elements being part-funded by Milton Keynes Council needing to be completed by March 2022. Committee accepted that the potential of the works receiving further external funding connected to housing development would require any plan to be flexible and capable of including additional elements if the funding were forthcoming. Committee formed a Working Group to advance the project: Cllrs Baines, Dicerbo, Fraser, Golding and Jones.
- 114/20 Additional Dog Bin Provision** (Minute No. 98/20)
Committee noted that an alternatively styled dog waste bin will be installed in the coming month to replace the existing bin at Kernow Crescent play area.
- 115/20 Litter Bin Emptying Arrangements – Parish Council Land**
Committee discussed arrangements, and the associated budgetary implications, for the emptying of litter bins on Parish Council land from April 2021 onwards. Committee determined that Warner's of Bedford be retained to continue emptying bins on Parish Council land, acknowledging that this would lead to an overspend in the 2021/22

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budget. Committee also discussed the potential of bringing all bin emptying in-house at the next contract review.

116/20 Landscape Equipment Review (End Year 1) – Report No. B&PP/06/20

Committee received, considered and accepted the report by the Landscape Manager reviewing the performance of the landscape equipment during the first year of the devolved landscape service. Committee resolved to recommend to the Finance, Administration & Policy Committee that they review funding received for the devolved service through the Precept and MKC grant, with a view to setting up an earmarked reserve (£25,000 each year) in future budgets as both a contingency and forward plan for the acquisition of replacement/new equipment.

Under this item the Committee identified the need for an item on biodiversity to be included on all future Committee agendas.

117/20 Community Centres – Bookings

Committee received the summary of bookings for February 2021.

118/20 Memorial Request – Parish Council Land

Committee considered a resident request for a memorial on Parish Council land, the request includes the offer to make a financial contribution and supply a plaque. Committee resolved to grant the request and accept the donation. Committee further resolved that the applicant be responsible for the provision, installation and future maintenance of the plaque.

119/20 Parish Council Community Hub (Minute No. 67/19,86/19, 96/19, 115i/19, 207/19, 98/20)

Springfield Public House

Committee received a verbal update from the Clerk on developments since the completion of the site purchase. Committee noted that both Business Rates and Council Tax were immediately payable on the site and that suitable insurance cover was still being sought. Cllr Baines confirmed that a meeting had been requested with the Parish Council's 'Planning Buddy' at MKC to discuss the application/demolition process.

120/20 Date of the Next Meeting

Tuesday 13th April 2021

At the end of the meeting the Committee spoke informally about the potential of flags returning to the poles at Kernow Crescent, item to be added to the next agenda.

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