

**Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on
Tuesday 20th July 2021 , 7.30pm
at the
Discovery Suite 1, Christian Centre, Strudwick Drive, Oldbrook, MK6 2TG**

The meeting was open to the Public

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Members Present

Cllr T Baines (Chair)

Cllr P Dunn

Cllr T Fraser

Cllr B Greenwood (Vice Chair)

Cllr J Howard

Cllr D Kendrick (arrived at 19:33)

Cllr K Kent

Cllr F Mensah

Cllr C Odunewu

Cllr D Pafford

Cllr M Petchey (arrived at 19:45)

Cllr D Reynolds

In Attendance

L Bradley, Responsible Finance Officer

T Jones, Community Officer/Committee Clerk

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Apologies for Absence

Cllr R Golding – personal commitment

Cllr K Jones – personal commitment

Cllr K Kavarana – covid isolation

Cllr V Dixon – health reasons

Cllr D Priest – work commitment

Cllr N Oguntola – work commitment

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Declarations of Interest

None

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Members of the Public Present

7 Oldbrook residents

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Public Involvement – Deputations, Petitions and Questions

No deputations, petitions or questions had been submitted in advance.

Cllr Kendrick arrived at the start of this item.

Resident of 13 Milburn Avenue asked about the overgrown landscaping to rear of their property, which is not being maintained by MK Council. Cllr Baines advised that this would be investigated and a response provided.

Residents of Kirkstall Avenue spoke in objection to the planning application submitted to MK Council for new housing development on Kirkstall Avenue. The residents asked CPPC to withdraw its support of this application. Cllr Baines advised the residents that this application would be reviewed again, but it would be unlikely that CPPC's position on this would change due to the identified Housing Need within the Parish.

Cllr Petchey arrived during the course of this item.

All members of the public left on the conclusion of this item.

68/21 Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on the 22nd June 2021

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

69/21 Presentation – Making Leaders

Council were advised that Captain William Holland was unable to attend. The presentation will be re-scheduled for the September meeting.

70/21 Chair's Report

Council received a verbal report from the Chair which drew members attention to plans to re-establish the Fishermead Residents Association, the advertised Dodgeball event on Oldbrook Green which had not received permission from CPPC - Environment Officer liaising with TVP, Enforcement etc. The Chair also spoke in relation to Citizens MK, with Council resolving to appoint Cllr Petchey to represent CPPC.

71/21 Correspondence

Council noted the schedule of correspondence received during the last month.

72/21 Ward Members' Matters/Reports

- i. Members were invited to raise a question with the Chair of Council, the Clerk of Council, or any Committee Chair, with Members allowed up to a minute to raise a question, with questionees allowed up to two minutes to respond. Any Member is limited to one question, with no further discussion on the given response. Any unanswered questions to receive a written response within seven days.

Council noted that no questions were submitted prior to the meeting.

Cllr Petchey provided a report to Members and also advised Council of the Citizens Alliance event at which laptops were presented to Fishermead Schools.

Cllr Greenwood advised Council that he intended to re-commence visiting surrounding homes, when gaining information to support responses to Planning Applications.

Cllr Pafford commented on landscaping standards in Woolstone, the current condition of the pond, issues with the Council agenda and some out of date information on the website.

Cllr Fraser commented on the poor condition of the walls in Fishermead. Cllr Baines suggested that an EVA should be carried out and reported to MK Council.

Cllr Howard asked about CPPC's landscaping responsibilities in Woolstone. Cllr Baines suggested that the Environment Officer provide mapping training for new Councillors.

Cllr Kent highlighted some recent attempted dog thefts in Oldbrook.

- ii. Council noted that no written reports had been received.

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Consideration of Grant Application – Keech Hospice Care

Council considered a grant application for £500 to support the delivery of services by Keech Hospice Care and resolved to award the grant in full.

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Councillor Committee Appointments

Council appointed those Members co-opted at the June meeting (Cllrs Dunn, Fraser, Mensah and Reynolds) to the following Committee vacancies:

Finance, Administration & Policy – Cllrs Fraser and Reynolds (leaving 1 vacancy on this Committee)

Community & Social Wellbeing – Cllr Reynolds

Personnel – Cllr Fraser and Mensah

Planning – Cllr Dunn

The associated training to be arranged as soon as possible.

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Milton Keynes Council (MKC) Community Infrastructure Fund 2022/23

Council noted that applications have been invited for the 2022/23 Community Infrastructure Fund, with each Parish Council able to submit a maximum of 3 applications (with a combined total of up to £20,000). Grants shall be for investment in public realm assets located on MKC/ Parish Council owned/leased land – application deadline 27.08.21

Council considered and accepted the recommendation that using delegated powers, the Parish submit up to 3 applications for initiatives previously agreed and funded by Council e.g. play equipment and community centre investment.

Cllr Baines requested that a Briefing Note be provided to Councillors, particularly for the benefit of new Councillors.

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Committee Projects Budget Requests 2022/23 – 2026/27

Council noted that all Committees will be invited to identify potential future projects for inclusion in the in the next 5-year Council budget. Committee budget requests need to be submitted by the end of October and will initially be considered at the November meeting of Council.

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Planning Report

Council received and accepted the planning report, detailing the responses to planning matters made under delegated powers.

Confidential Item

In view of the terms of Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, the following item will be likely to disclose exempt information relating to establishment and contractual matters and Council is therefore invited to resolve that pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 1(2) the public and press be excluded.**

****Item 13**

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Parish Council Community Hub

Council received a verbal report from the Chair which highlighted that the submission of Planning application had been delayed by 4 weeks to end of August, mainly due to the availability of consultants carrying out the various surveys. The demolition specification will be to demolish the building down to the existing concrete slab across the basement level. Keeping the slab would retain future development options and avoid unnecessary demolition/infill costs.

Cllr Baines highlighted that Council would need to consider options for building the Hub in a different location within the site – further details and cost comparisons to be provided at a later meeting.

Cllr Baines highlighted the potential of retaining basement for future storage use – either un-tanked or tanked, with a terrace area above, should Council resolve not to build on the same plot as the existing building...

Draft schedule of accommodation is being prepared based on the points that were discussed at the Council ECM in March.

High-level cost analysis due to be completed by mid-August.

Working Group recommendations on future architectural options to be reported to Council, possibly requiring an ECM.

First public consultation pencilled in for September.

Cllr Baines requested that a Briefing Note be provided to Councillors, particularly for the benefit of new Councillors.

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Committee Meeting Dates

Communications – Tuesday 27th July 2021, 6.30pm

Personnel – Wednesday 4th August 2021, 11am

Planning, Infrastructure & Transport – Monday, 9th August 2021, 6.30pm

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Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 21st September 2021, 7.30pm