



Central Milton Keynes Town Council
Meeting held on 6th December 2012
At Centrecom, 602 North Row, Central Milton Keynes

Present: Rebecca Kurth (Chair)
 Ken Baker
 Andre Brady
 Ramo Erdogan
 Linda Inoki
 Andrew Thomas
 Elizabeth Rowell-Tinsley
 Paul Cranfield (Clerk)

Absent: Charles Ashbury

	Minutes	Actions
1	Welcome & Apologies.	
2	<p>Ratification of Minutes of Previous Meetings</p> <p>The minutes of the meetings of the Town Council on 8 November 2012 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed as such by the Chair.</p> <p>The minutes of the Planning Committee held on 20 November 2012 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed as such, subject to the insertion of 'following further statutory notification' at the end of the section entitled 'Midsummer Place'.</p>	
3	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Clerk noted that minor changes had been submitted to the Leisure Plaza application. The Clerk to check that the amendments do not impact detrimentally on the Town Council's view of the project. - The response for the Principal Librarian in respect of the closure of the public toilets in the library was noted. It was not felt that the solution was satisfactory for users of the library for study, research etc. It was agreed that Councillor Brady contact the librarian to seek a meeting to discuss possible solutions. - It was noted that Councillors Brady and Erdogan had been asked to seek to identify possible locations for a parish office. The parameters and criteria for such an office were discussed and it was agreed that the councillors work on a brief in conjunction with the Clerk, which will then be brought back to the Council for consideration within three months. The Chair noted that Centrecom would be available under the Community Asset Transfer scheme, but that the upkeep and maintenance of this or any other facility would have an impact on the precept charge for residents. 	<p>PC</p> <p>AB</p> <p>AB/RE</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Clerk was requested to write to Brian White advising him that he no longer has a seat on the Steering Group. - Alex Harrison's response with regard to the centre:mk postcard solicitation was noted. After some discussion it was agreed not to pursue the matter further, but to ensure that the matter be raised when the application is before Development Committee. 	PC
4	<p>Business Neighbourhood Plan update Councillor Thomas noted that he had been pursuing the position of MKCouncil with regard to its role in feeding into the consultation at this stage. He reported that a meeting had been planned, but was deferred due to the requirement that certain documents pertaining to this issue within MKCouncil be re-drafted. He noted that a copy of the findings had now been received.</p> <p>The Clerk was requested to liaise with Diane Webber to ascertain how best to begin the process of summarisation of the consultation feedback.</p> <p>It was noted that the Inspector had fed back on the Core Strategy, the outcome of which will go to Cabinet in December and full council thereafter. There is a need to ensure that the BNPlan is compliant with the Inspector's view.</p> <p>Concerns were expressed about the logistical demand placed on the Steering Group and Town Council if it proves necessary to undertake an SEA or SA.</p>	PC
5	<p>Finance Paper The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The Clerk was requested to provide a full breakdown of the BNPlan costs and income to the next meeting.</p> <p>It was noted that DCLG has indicated that a further £10k is available to councils undertaking a BNPlan. The Clerk to enquire of Diane Webber whether these additional funds can be obtained.</p>	PC PC
6	<p>Play Area The Clerk advised the Town Council of the options available to it in respect of the tendering process for the play area.</p> <p>It was agreed that Phil Snell be requested to undertake the tender, to ensure that the VAT element of the funding is protected. The quotes would not stipulate a make of equipment and the proposed installation date will be April/May 2013. The Clerk to ensure that Bob Stone is kept aware of the process.</p>	PC
7	<p>Grant Application Form The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The proposed grant application form prompted much discussion. It was agreed that:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the wording be simplified - the application form should be tabulated - any applications are considered on a quarterly basis - any applications are pre-vetted by the Clerk and only brought to the Town Council if sufficient information is deemed to be available. 	PC

8	<p>Precept 2013 and budgeting The Clerk noted that the precept request for 2013 would need to be submitted by 1st February. It was agreed that an additional meeting be set up in January to solely consider this item. Dates to be proposed and circulated.</p> <p>The Clerk to provide:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RPI information - Projected expenditure for the current year - Update on the agreed budget for 2012 - Any other supporting documentation as requested by councillors. 	PC
9	<p>Any Other Business Fred Roche Gardens It was agreed that Councillor Baker keep the Town Council up to date on the progress towards restoring the gardens ahead of the official opening next year.</p> <p>Milton Keynes Development Partnership Board Councillor Thomas to circulate papers in this regard.</p> <p>3 curlywurlies and 106 roundabouts It was noted that there would be a showing of the film for the benefit of Willen Hospice shortly. Members were encouraged to attend if they had not seen the film.</p> <p>Street Trading Consultation Councillors Erdogan and Inoki reported that they had met with MKCouncil to discuss the impact of the guidance on the parish and were satisfied that there would be none.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Clerk submit a comment that the guidance should remain as at present, and that any proposed changes going forward should be subject to prior consultation with affected parishes.</p> <p>Business Cards A variety of styles of business cards were presented by Councillor Brady. Councillors to determine the best style, following which cards will be commissioned.</p>	<p>AT</p> <p>PC</p> <p>AB</p>
	<p>The meeting closed at 9.05pm</p> <p>Next meeting to be held on Thursday 10 January at Centrecom at 6pm</p>	