



**Central Milton Keynes Town Council  
Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2013  
At Centrecom, 602 North Row, Central Milton Keynes**

**Present:** Andrew Thomas (Chair)  
Charles Ashbury  
Ken Baker  
Andre Brady  
Ramo Erdogan  
Linda Inoki  
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)

**Apologies:** Rebecca Kurth

**Members of the public:** None

	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>Actions</b>
1	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Apologies.</b> Councillor Thomas welcomed councillors to the meeting and noted apologies from Councillor Kurth. Councillor Thomas took the chair for the meeting in her absence.</p> <p>It was noted that, due to the need for the meeting to close earlier than scheduled to enable councillors to attend the opening of the Future City event at MK Gallery, the agenda items would be addressed in a slightly different order and 'AOB' would not be considered on this occasion.</p>	
2	<p><b>Ratification of Minutes of the Town Council meeting</b> The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council on 7 November 2013 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed as such by Councillor Thomas.</p>	
4	<p><b>Finance Paper</b> The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The Clerk noted that a further cheque in sum of £342 payable to MK Service Partnership in respect of the printing of newsletters was signed.</p> <p>The current balance was discussed in the context of the budget requirements for the forthcoming year. The Clerk noted that budget forms are usually received during December, with the budget for the forthcoming year being initially considered as part of the January meeting.</p>	
5	<p><b>Business Neighbourhood Plan</b> The Chair provided a brief summary of the recent Steering Group meeting.</p> <p>He noted that the two Steering Group representatives with a seat at the Examination table on 12<sup>th</sup> December were agreed as Councillor Kurth and David Lock, with Robert de Grey in support. He also noted that the meeting was open to the public and that four landowners and Milton Keynes</p>	

	<p>Council would also be invited to speak.</p> <p>Councillor Inoki mentioned that BBC Radio was interested in covering the Examination.</p> <p>The Chair then outlined the discussion regarding the Area Inset Plan, principally Midsummer Boulevard East. He noted that the Steering Group had agreed that it, through the auspices of the Town Council, would wish to be involved in the development of a charette-style event to seek solutions primarily for the public realm within the area but also including adjacent land and related sites. He sought agreement that in principle the Town Council would be prepared to contribute a sum of money towards the cost of the event, whilst noting that as the shape of the event is yet to be determined it is too early to consider the cost.</p> <p>After some discussion, it was agreed that the Town Council was prepared to contribute an appropriate amount to the development and delivery of the charette, but the sum was to be determined at a later stage. Suggestions that any support would be by way of covering costs of the event rather than of facilitators or experts met with broad agreement.</p> <p>The Town Council welcomed the fact that it was being considered an equal partner with MKCouncil in the development of this initiative.</p>	
6	<p><b>Oak Trees, North 12<sup>th</sup> Street</b> The paper, as tabled, was noted.</p> <p>A formal response to Bob Ham in respect of his recent communication was considered. A draft, developed by Councillors Thomas and Inoki, was considered. The proposal that the Town Council acquire the plot of land on which the trees are located was not considered an appropriate way forward.</p> <p>It was agreed that the draft response, as amended, be sent.</p>	PC
7	<p><b>Adelphi Street- yellow lines</b> Councillors Inoki and Ashbury reported on a recent meeting on location with Steve Lane to discuss options for restricting non-resident parking on Adelphi Street and its immediate area.</p> <p>It was made clear that there were a number of challenges in the area made an acceptable solution difficult to arrive at. It was agreed that, having flagged the issue, it was now down to MKCouncil to develop proposals, which would then need to be considered by the residents.</p> <p>It was felt, however, that one follow-up meeting should be arranged between Councillor Ashbury and Inoki and Steve Lain and Sara Bailey. The Clerk to liaise.</p> <p>The Clerk noted that advice he had received indicated that the Town Council should cease placing notes on cars parked in the area.</p>	PC
3	<p><b>Matters Arising</b> <b>Rubbish bins-</b> The Clerk noted that he had received two emails as a result of the early newsletters both against using precept money for the provision of litter bins, which was deemed to be the responsibility of MKCouncil. <b>Chain of Office-</b> Councillor Inoki will report at a later date on alternatives. <b>JCC Media-</b> Councillor Brady will report on progress at a later meeting. <b>Hi Vis Vests-</b> The Clerk circulated an example of the style of vest, which retails at £2.10 per unit. It was agreed to proceed with the purchase of 10</p>	LI AB PC

	vests, with the words 'Central Milton Keynes Town Council' printed on the reverse. The print costs will be additional to the cost of the vests.	
8	<p><b>Draft Statement of Community Involvement</b> The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>It was agreed that the response to the paper would be considered at the next meeting, but councillors were asked to highlight any areas of concern to the Clerk ahead of the meeting to enable any discussion to be focussed.</p>	ALL
11	<p><b>Carnival of Life</b> The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>After some discussion it was agreed that the Town Council contribute £50 towards the start up costs of the venture.</p>	
12	<p><b>Any Other Business</b> As no other business was discussed the following items were deferred to the next meeting:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town Council recognition award criteria</li> <li>• Grace Academy</li> <li>• Station Square Toilets</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>The meeting closed at 6.45pm</b></p> <p><b>The next meeting to be held on Thursday 9 January 2014 at Centrecom commencing at 6pm.</b></p>	