



**Central Milton Keynes Town Council
Meeting held on 9th July 2015
At Centrecom, 602 North Row, Central Milton Keynes**

Present: Andrew Thomas (Chair)
Ken Baker
Hilarie Bowman
Andre Brady
Linda Inoki
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)

Apologies: Rebecca Kurth, Jim McGowan

Absent: Ramo Erdogan

In attendance: Communications Officer

	Minutes	Actions
1	<p>Apologies & Declarations of Interest No additional declarations of interest were made.</p> <p>The Clerk noted that in the absence of Councillor Kurth, Councillor Thomas would chair the meeting.</p>	
2	<p>Co-option of new councillor Due to the absence of the new councillor this item was deferred to the August meeting.</p>	
3	<p>Ratification of Minutes of the Town Council meeting The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council on 11th June 2015 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed as such by the Chair.</p>	
4	<p>Matters Arising & Outstanding Items The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>Updates to the action sheet were agreed, as follows:-</p> <p>Item 14/074- Response received that the Lessons Learnt meeting had yet to take place, but that the concerns expressed in respect of the Rugby World Cup Fanzone events would be conveyed to Andy Dickinson, who is leading on the transport element of this project.</p> <p>Item 15/002- Monies received. Completed.</p> <p>Item 15/004- Proposals to the July meeting. Completed.</p> <p>Item 15/016- Completed</p> <p>Item 15-024- To be considered further in September.</p> <p>Item 15-025- To be considered further in August.</p> <p>Item 15/026- Completed.</p> <p>Item 15/027- To be completed by August, once litter bins are in place.</p> <p>Item 15/028- To be further considered in August.</p> <p>Item 15/029- Completed. The Clerk to write to Mick Legg following an</p>	

	<p>approach to him from Councillor Baker to determine the position with regard to the bus stop railings and those outside the library.</p> <p>Item 15/030- Paper being considered by Councillor Baker, for consideration at the August meeting.</p> <p>Item 15/031- Completed.</p> <p>Item 15/032- Completed.</p> <p>Item 15/033- Ongoing. Clerk to determine when the bins are emptied.</p> <p>Item 15/034- Discussion being pursued with Andy Dickinson, Councillor Bowman and residents. Review August.</p> <p>Item 15/035- Completed.</p>	<p>PC</p> <p>PC</p>
5	<p>CMK Street Warden Update</p> <p>The paper, as previously circulated, was noted</p>	
6	<p>Finance paper</p> <p>The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p>	
7	<p>Projects Update</p> <p>The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>It was agreed that Project 14/002- Residents' Questionnaires- could now be closed.</p> <p>Project 14/008- The Chair noted that this project had been in place since September 2014, and whilst acknowledging the progress made, noted the time limit imposed by the S106 monies required to deliver any proposal.</p> <p>Councillor Inoki requested again that clarification be sought in respect of the plans to replace lamppost litter bins with freestanding units, in light of the plans to reduce street clutter. The Clerk to pursue.</p>	<p>PC</p>
8	<p>Land Categorisation Plans</p> <p>The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>It was noted that the plans have no formal status, but function as advisory papers drafted by MKCouncil Officers. These have informed the Site Allocation Plan exercise, which will in turn inform PlanMK.</p> <p>Concerns were expressed about the potential impact of inaccuracies in the LCPs.</p>	
9	<p>Expenditure Related to CMK Business Neighbourhood Plan 2015</p> <p>The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The proposal to utilise the majority of the residual funds to commission 3 drawings reflecting the CMKAP's vision for CMK was discussed at length.</p> <p>The value of having visuals which could be used in a number of ways to enable members of the public to visualise the Plan was considered. Some members were of the view that the money should be used to produce and circulate a further communication to residents (perhaps across the borough) to articulate more clearly what they had voted for.</p> <p>The value of visuals in promoting a concept was discussed and it was agreed that whilst the idea of adding to the CMKAP in terms of presentations by using the visuals was thought by some to be a really valuable additional tool. However, the Council was not unanimous in this view, noting that reservations were more about the specific proposal not the objective behind the proposal.</p>	

	<p>It was agreed that the proposals should be fleshed out and brought back to the next meeting with further information regarding how the visuals would assist in clarifying the aims of the Plan and how the Town Council would use them.</p> <p>It was further agreed that the Communications Working Party meet prior to the next full Town Council meeting to develop thinking on how the illustrations, or an alternative proposal, would best fit into the communications plan and bring a paper to the next meeting.</p>	RK/TW/LI/AB
10	<p>Local Council Award Scheme Foundation Award The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>It was agreed that, given the much higher profile now afforded to the Town Council, it would be beneficial to work towards having all the requirements in place to enable application for the Foundation Award.</p> <p>Concerns were expressed at the lack of formal councillor training, and the Clerk was requested to develop a policy for training.</p> <p>It was agreed that Councillors Bowman and McGowan be invited to attend BALC councillor training and that the cost of training, £30 per head +VAT, be authorised.</p>	PC
11	<p>Landscaping Working Party The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The establishment of a working party was agreed, but it was noted that this should have a realistic target date to complete its work. It was agreed that recommendations be produced by October, and initial Terms of Reference to be brought back to the Town Council next month.</p>	RK/KB/HB/LI
12	<p>Residents' Forum meeting notes, 18 June 2015 The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>Councillor Bowman was thanked for her comprehensive report.</p>	
13	<p>Planning Obligations SPD The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The Chair noted that the Town Council was being offered a seat at the table whilst the SPD was in development stage.</p> <p>The proposal to integrate this activity into the work of the Strategic Plan project group, and to widen the remit of those on the Strategic Plan project group, effectively constituting this group as a Working Party, was agreed.</p>	
14	<p>Minutes of Meeting of Planning Committee 24 June 2015 The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>More detail in respect of the items reported under minute 3 was requested to enable those councillors not on the Planning Committee to have a better appreciation of the applications being brought forward for consideration. The Clerk to progress.</p> <p>The Chair noted that there was a proposal that the Town Council develops an Arts Strategy. Concerns were expressed that the Arts is an area of very varied individual perception and taste, and some councillors cautioned against such a strategy being developed.</p>	PC

	Following advice from the Chair, who noted that the item was not on the agenda, it was agreed that an item should be placed on the agenda of the next Town Council meeting for further consideration.	PC
15	Licensing Application- Five Guys The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.	
16	The meeting closed at 7.23pm The next scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday 13th August 2015 at Centrecom.	