



**Central Milton Keynes Town Council
Meeting held on 14th December 2017
At Centrecom Meeting Place, Central Milton Keynes**

Present: Rebecca Kurth (Chair)
 Hilarie Bowman
 Andre Brady (from item 179/17)
 Oya Discombe
 Ramo Erdogan
 Linda Inoki
 Andrew Thomas
 Paul Cranfield (Clerk)
 Thomas Walker (Deputy Clerk)

Apologies: Ken Baker

In attendance: No members of the public were present

	Minutes	Actions
173/17	Apologies None	
174/17	Declarations of Interest In line with the terms of Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, it was noted that item 189/17 will be likely to disclose exempt information relating to contractual matters and the Town Council therefore unanimously resolved that pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded from this item. At the request of the Chair, pursuant to email notification, the previously circulated confidential item (189/17) was removed and a substitute paper agreed for consideration under the above terms.	
175/17	Ratification of Minutes of the Town Council meeting The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council on 9 th November 2017 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed as such by the Chair, subject to the following amendment:- Item 169/17 penultimate paragraph- replace 'recruitment of' with 'intention to recruit'. An amendment was made to the confidential minute, which will be recorded within the minute relating to item 189/17.	
176/17	Clerk's Report on Outstanding Items The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. Updates to the action sheet were agreed, as follows:- Item 17/039- Pursue for update- Defer to January meeting. Item 17/060- Closed	

	Item 17/062- Closed Item 17/064- Closed	
177/17	Representations from Public No members of the public were present at the time of this item.	
178/17	Finance Paper The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.	
179/17	Forward Plan Monitoring Sheet The amended paper, as tabled, was noted. Councillor Brady arrived during this item.	
180/17	Date of 2018/19 Budget Meeting The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The date of 18 January was agreed for the meeting. Councillors agreed that this, and all other meetings, should begin at 18.10 going forward.	PC
181/17	Draft Rough Sleeping Reduction Strategy 2017/2020 Consultation The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. Amendments were proposed to the draft response. The Clerk was requested to re-format the response, integrate agreed changes and circulate the amended draft by email for confirmation prior to submission of the response.	PC
182/17	Draft Statement of Licensing Policy 2018/2023 The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The following recommendation was agreed:- That the Town Council notes that the proposed changes do not substantively impact upon the current Statement of Licensing Policy as it applies to establishments within the parish and thus has no further comment on the Policy.	PC
183/17	Open Spaces Assessment Consultation The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The Town Council expressed its pleasure that the new version of the document has incorporated all of the changes it recommended in its initial submission to the consultation. The Deputy Clerk to develop a response to the consultation and circulate this for consideration prior to the consultation closure date.	TW
184/17	Plan:MK Consultation Response The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The substantive content to the draft was agreed. An amendment to the five key issues as stated was agreed as follows:- 2. Designation of primary and secondary frontages, edge of centre for retail and expansion of PSA boundaries. It was also agreed that delegated authority be given to the working	RK/TW

	party to make significant revisions to the format and style of the paper in the final representation.	
185/17	<p>Land at Smithsons Place The paper, as previously circulated, was noted</p> <p>After some discussion, a vote was taken and the recommendation was approved by a majority decision.</p> <p>The Clerk was requested to instruct Franklins in this regard.</p>	PC
186/17	<p>Financial Forecasts- Input to Strategic Plan The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>It was agreed that this paper should be deferred to the January meeting for consideration, noting that councillors could only note, not approve, the assumptions.</p>	RK
187/17	<p>Data Protection The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>The Website Privacy Policy was approved.</p> <p>The Data Protection and Use of Personal Data Procedure was approved with one small amendment.</p>	
188/17	<p>Items for Information The papers, as previously circulated, were noted.</p> <p>a) Street Warden Report, November 2017 The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>b) Licensing- Hotel La Tour The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>c) Gambling License- Coral, Lloyds Court The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p>	
189/17	<p>Confidential Item The replacement paper, as previously circulated, was noted.</p> <p>A confidential minute of the item was produced.</p>	
190/17	<p>Items for Next Agenda:- Strategic Plan</p> <p>The meeting closed at 8.33pm.</p> <p>The next scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday 11th January 2018 at Centrecom Meeting Place.</p>	

Appendix to Minutes of Meeting of CMK Town Council on 14 December 2017

Financial Items

A list of expenses incurred, authorised at the Town Council meeting, is provided below:-

Cheques:-

AH Contracts	£	44.10
MK Community Properties	£	506.94
	£	506.94
	£	40.80
Eagle Graphics	£	582.00
Boxharry	£	24.00
Harrow Law	£	800.28
P.Cranfield	£	89.29

Debit card items:-

Vonage	£	8.50
Costco	£	10.78
Google	£	46.20
Post Office	£	10.40
Cartridge Save	£	87.71
Tsohost	£	4.99

Standing order:-

Salaries	£2,500.00
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Chair's Signature.....

Date.....

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

The minute appended to the minutes of the meeting of 9 November 2017 relating to confidential item 171/17 Events Plateau Update to be amended to include the following final paragraph:-

'It was resolved to accept the wording of the 9 bullet points, subject to amendments in respect of bullets 5 & 9, as detailed in points 2 & 3 within the paper. The Substantive Motion as amended by point 4 was also approved.'

The following details the outcomes of discussions in respect of the confidential item.

Agenda Item 189/17 Events Plateau Update

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

The Chair noted that sections a)-c) of the paper were drawn directly from the withdrawn paper and were for information.

Section d) contained new information with regard to the café facility.

A detailed discussion ensued, during which the following observations were made:-

- A councillor expressed the view that the threats to the project are wider than merely reducing the size of the café building. That there remains no scheme which meets the budget, and that there will be a need for extra funds to enable the design and build project to move forward, to bring the project within its overall budget. He requested a paper which looks at all the threats to the project and mitigations.
- An observation was made that should the project go to a further stage and then require aborting, the risks to the Town Council are greater than could be the case at present.
- The Chair advised that there are no further costs to be incurred to get the project to HoT, which is not legally binding, but could enable the release of s106 to the Town Council and that the current hurdle needs to be overcome.
- A councillor commented that if the s106 monies are released and the project subsequently fails, the monies could be required to be repaid, as s106 is there to deliver something.
- A councillor observed that to abort now could avoid good money following 'bad'.
- Councillors expressed their concern that The Parks Trust has not formally responded to the counter-proposals agreed at the last meeting and were concerned that the request to vary the size of the café was being dealt with as a separate negotiation, not one of a number of counter-proposals addressed in totality.

Following the discussion, it was agreed (5 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstention) that the 3 bay reduction was not substantial and that David Louch could be instructed to communicate this to The Parks Trust, subject to the condition that a reduction in the size of one side of the building should not result in a re-apportionment of costs going forward.

The meeting concluded at this juncture.