



# Central Milton Keynes Town Council



Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022

at Centrecom, North Row, Central Milton Keynes

**Present:**

Rebecca Kurth (Chair)  
Andre Brady (from item 22/009)  
Philip Murphy (to item 22/019 iv)  
David Stabler  
Andrew Thomas  
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)

**Apologies:** None

**In attendance:** Peter Lightfoot

**22/006 – Apologies**

None

At this juncture, the Chair advised councillors that Linda Inoki had offered her resignation following her period of agreed leave. The resignation will come into force upon receipt of a letter confirming her intentions. The Chair expressed her thanks to Linda for the many years she has served the Town Council. A proposal that a gesture of the Town Council's thanks be sent to Linda was unanimously approved.

**ACTION- Clerk to contact Linda Inoki to formally request her resignation letter.**

**22/007 – Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Murphy declared a non-pecuniary interest in respect of item 22/017.

It was unanimously agreed that, in line with the terms of Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972, item 14 should be held 'in camera'.

**22/008 - Ratification of Minutes of the Town Council meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021 were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

Councillor Brady arrived during the next item.

**22/009 - Clerk's Report on Outstanding Items**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Updates to the action sheet were agreed, as follows:

Item 20/023- Closed

**ACTION- A paper making new recommendations regarding residents' forums to be brought to the March meeting.**

Item 21/032- Closed

Item 21/035- Closed

Item 21/038- Closed

Item 21/040- Closed

Item 21/041- Closed

Item 21/042- Closed

**22/010 - Representations from the Public**

The member of the public present declined to make a representation at this juncture.

**22/011 - Finance Paper**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

The Clerk proposed that ways of spreading the balances presently held across financial institutions be explored. The proposal was agreed.

**ACTION- Paper to be brought to a meeting making recommendations regarding current balances.**

**22/012 - Forward Plan Monitoring Sheet**

The paper, as amended, was noted.

**22/013 – Co-option application- Peter Lightfoot**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Mr. Lightfoot made a short presentation, following which councillors asked questions pertaining to his application for co-option.

Mr. Lightfoot left the meeting at this juncture.

### **22/014 – In Camera Item**

Following discussion, Mr. Lightfoot was invited to return to the meeting and advised that councillors had unanimously agreed to co-opt him to the Town Council.

A declaration of acceptance of co-option form was signed by Mr. Lightfoot.

**ACTION- Clerk to provide the new councillor with the necessary information and support.**

### **22/015- Movement & Connectivity-walking, cycling and e-scooters in CMK**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Councillor Stabler spoke to the paper, noting that the draft had been circulated to councillors for comment.

It was agreed that:-

- The 8 steps outlined in the paper be adopted by the Town Council as its position.
- The paper should be sent to Brian Matthews at MKCouncil with a request that:
  - The proposals are considered and, where appropriate, an implementation strategy is developed.
  - The elements of the paper pertinent to e-scooters be shared with the e-scooter stakeholder group for its views.
- All CMK ward councillors be copied into the email to Brian Matthews.
- Article to be included in the spring newsletter.

**ACTION- Clerk to circulate and ensure item is included in newsletter.**

### **22/016- Newsletter**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

The recommendations, as amended, were agreed as follows:-

- That Samantha Carmichael continues to be engaged to draft the newsletter at the current quarterly remuneration, but that a £200 'one off' bonus be paid immediately to reflect her excellent work.
- That Eagle Printers continue to be engaged for design and printing.
- That Royal Mail continue to be used for distribution.
- The dates for delivery of the draft to Eagle Printers.

### **20/017- Theatre MSCP**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Councillor Murphy's declaration of interest in respect of this item was noted. However, given that this is a non-pecuniary interest he remained in the meeting for the discussion.

It was agreed that the sum of £2,000, previously part of the allocated sum for development of input into the draft development brief on the Theatre MSCP, be utilised to engage Chris Murphy to progress options with regard to the project.

**22/018- Release of Matched Funding to support Quadrant Planter Planting**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Councillors agreed unanimously to release the sum of £10,000 from the Landscape Fund to match CIF funding to achieve the planting of 9 quadrant beds.

A detailed breakdown of the planting plans was circulated. Whilst time is critical to enable release of the CIF funding, it was agreed that if councillors wished to indicate changes to the proposed planting plan they should raise these with the Clerk by Tuesday 8 February latest.

**22/019 - Items for Information**

- i) Minutes of Parishes Forum meeting 9/12/2021
- ii) Police Presentation
- iii) MKCouncil Budget Presentation
- iv) Atesh- Licensing Review notification

Councillor Murphy left the meeting at this juncture.

- v) Draft January Planning Committee Minutes
- vi) Licensing application- Kobe Steakhouse, Xscape
- vii) Response to public consultation- Mortimer Square

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.

**The next scheduled monthly meeting will be held on Thursday 3 March 2022 at Centrecom Meeting place**

**Appendix to Minutes of Meeting of CMK Town Council on 3 February 2022**

**Cheques:-**

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Centrecom               | £ 180.00  |
| Warners                 | £ 76.44   |
| Jon Muncaster           | £1,000.00 |
| Samantha Carmichael     | £ 500.00  |
| MK Community Properties | £ 21.60   |
| Eagle Graphics          | £ 690.00  |

Eagle Graphics £ 588.00  
Samantha Carmichael £ 200.00

**Debit Card Items:-**

Browns £ 239.28  
Google £ 1.59  
Google £ 50.59  
Google £ 50.60  
Tsohost £ 5.99  
NEST £ 72.94  
Royal Mail £ 5.16  
Royal Mail £ 10.20  
Vonage £ 10.25

**Monthly Standing orders:-**

Salaries £1,925.00  
MK Community Properties £ 518.84

**Chair's Signature.....**

**Date.....**