



## **Central Milton Keynes Town Council Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at Centrecom Meeting Place Central Milton Keynes**

### **Present:**

David Stabler (Chair)  
Anurag Jain  
Rebecca Kurth  
Peter Lightfoot  
Andrew Thomas  
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)

**Apologies:** Andre Brady, Philip Murphy

**Members of the public:** Two members of the public and a ward councillor were present.

### **25/032 – Apologies**

Councillors Brady and Murphy extended their apologies for the meeting.

### **25/033 – Declarations of Interest**

None

### **25/034 - Ratification of Minutes of the February Town Council meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025 were agreed as a true record and signed as such by the Chair.

### **25/035 - Clerk's Report on Outstanding Items**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Updates to the action sheet were agreed, as follows:

Item 25/04- Closed

Item 25/05- Mark on to April for report back after meeting

**ACTION- Clerk to arrange Zoom meeting with working party councillors**

Item 25/06- Mark on to April

**25/036 - Representations from the Public**

The members of the public present did not request to speak.

**25/037 - Finance Paper**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

**25/038 – MKCCouncil Forward Plan Monitoring Sheet**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

The members of the public were requested to leave the meeting for the next item.

**25/039- East Ward Vacancy**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Min Hi Chun addressed the meeting and answered questions from councillors. It was noted that Councillor Kurth had met with her to discuss her interest in becoming a councillor and that this was the third meeting at which she was in attendance as a member of the public.

Following this, Min was asked to leave the meeting whilst her application to become a councillor was considered. There followed a vote, at which her application was unanimously approved.

Min and the member of the public and ward councillor returned to the meeting.

Min was formally welcomed to the Town Council and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**25/040 – Grant application- MOTUS dance**

The papers, as previously circulated, were noted.

The application was discussed and the sum of £500 was unanimously agreed.

**25/041 – Community Governance Review**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

A lengthy discussion ensued in respect of how best to reflect in terms of the number of councillors the projected growth in resident numbers over the next 10 years.

A formal proposal to seek to increase councillor numbers to 10, allocated 3 to East and West wards and 4 to Campbell Park ward was made by Councillor Lightfoot and seconded by Councillor Kurth. A vote was taken and the proposal was approved by 3 votes in favour and 3 abstentions.

**ACTION: Clerk to write to the MKCCouncil Head of Democratic Services requesting that this proposal be included as part of the Community Governance Review this summer.**

**25/042- Social Media**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Councillors were encouraged to utilise the 'what's app' group to produce content which can be used on social media.

**25/043- Parish Assembly**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

After some discussion it was agreed that the date of the meeting should be changed from the scheduled date of 22<sup>nd</sup> April to later in April or toward the end of May.

Additionally, it was agreed that a change of venue to The Almere might help increase attendance.

The main focus of the event will be determined at the April meeting.

**ACTION- Clerk to agree a date for the Parish Assembly with The Almere**

**25/044 – Items for Information**

The papers were noted, as previously circulated.

- i) Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting on 18 February 2025
- ii) Licensing variation 'The Kiosk' Xscape

The meeting closed at 7.35 pm.

**The next monthly scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at Centrecom Meeting Place**

**Appendix to Minutes of Meeting of CMK Town Council on 6 March 2025**

**Debit card items:-**

Google	£	180.00
Adobe	£	19.97
Vonage	£	10.25
NEST	£	95.11
Costco	£	47.97
Amazon	£	29.95
Portway services	£	36.91
Royal Mail	£	10.00

**Online payments:-**

Christine Andrews	£	37.00 x 2
Samantha Carmichael	£	600.00
MK Comm Properties	£	126.00
Warners of Bedford	£	114.40 x 2
Eagle Graphics	£	1,195.20
Truby's	£	500.00
MKIAC	£	1,000.00
MK Pride	£	1,000.00

**Monthly Standing Orders:-**

Salary	£	1,979.57
MK Community Properties	£	606.90
Samantha Carmichael	£	500.00

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

**Date**.....