

COUNCIL DECISIONS / ACTIONS - 11 JANUARY 2017

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER	SUBJECT AND DECISION	DECISION REFERRAL	PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTION
1(b)	<p>Minutes</p> <p>That the Minutes of the special and ordinary meetings of the Council held on 19 October and of the ordinary meeting held on 28 November 2016, be approved and signed by the Mayor as correct records.</p>		-
1(c)	<p>Disclosure of Interests</p> <p>Councillor Bint advised the Council that, in respect of Item 4(d)(iv) (Housing Revenue Account Budget) his employer was a supplier of keys.</p> <p>Councillor D McCall disclosed a personal interest in respect of Item 1(d) (Health Presentations) as the issue of GP access for homeless people was raised and he worked with a charity which supported homeless people.</p>		-
1(d)	<p>Announcements</p> <p>Mayor to write to Joe Turney passing on the Council's congratulations.</p>		PA to the Mayor
2(b)	<p>Questions from Members of the Public</p> <p>1 questions were received from a member of the public. Officers to review the suggestions put forward with regard to homelessness.</p>		Acting Service Director (Housing and Community)
4(a)	<p>The Capital Programme</p> <p>That the following matter be referred to the Cabinet for consideration as part of its considerations of the 2017/18 Budget:</p> <p>"That the Council be requested to consider the establishment of a small Public Realm / minor capital works fund for each Councillor (similar to the Ward Based Budget Scheme) to spend in their Ward, or to consider expanding the existing Ward Based Budget Scheme to include such items."</p>	Cabinet	Corporate Director Resources / Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager

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4(b)	<p>Council Tax Base and Business Rate Baseline 2017/18 (Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme)</p> <p>That the Council adopt for 2017/18 the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme, as adopted by the Council on 13 January 2016, with amendments that reflect changes to related benefits and to the Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements) Regulations; retaining the delegation to the Corporate Director Resources to make technical legislative changes</p>		Corporate Director Resources
4(c)	<p>LGSS – Invest to Save</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That, subject to local approval by Northampton Borough Council / Local Government Shared Services partners, the creation of a new Joint Committee for Revenues and Benefits be agreed. 2. That upon establishment of the Joint Committee, the Council appoints a member to represent Milton Keynes Council on the Revenues and Benefits Joint Committee. 		Corporate Director Resources
4(d)(i)	<p>Walton Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>That the Walton Neighbourhood Plan be made pursuant to the provisions of Section 38(A)(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.</p>		Service Director (Growth, Economy and Culture)
4(d)(ii)	<p>Milton Keynes Minerals Local Plan Proposed Modifications</p> <p>That the schedule of Proposed Modifications to the Minerals Local Plan be approved for publication for a six week public consultation.</p>		Service Director (Growth, Economy and Culture)

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4(d)(iii)	<p>Changes to the Arrangements for the Appointment of External Auditors</p> <p>That the opt-in to the sector led body (Public Sector Audit Appointments) for the national procurement of external auditors be approved and ultimately the Council's external auditors from 2018/19, which is the Audit Committee's recommended approach.</p>		Corporate Director Resources
4(d)(iv)	<p>Housing Revenue Account Budget 2017/18</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Housing Revenue Account Revenue Budget for 2017/18 be adopted. 2. That the Housing Revenue Account Dwelling Rent 2017/18, being a 1% reduction and an average decrease of 89p per week, be agreed. 3. That the Housing Revenue Account fees and charges for 2017/18 be set in accordance with the Income and Collection Policy, apart from the proposed exceptions as set out in Annex E of the report. 		Corporate Director Resources / Acting Service Director (Housing and Community)
5(a)	<p>Councillors' Questions</p> <p>Councillor Long to raise the issue of availability of social care providers in Woburn Sands and the surrounding area with officer and inform Councillor Jenkins of the outcome.</p> <p>Councillor A Geary to ask the Head of Development Management to inform both he and Councillor Brackenbury as to lessons learnt by officers arising from the enforcement action taken against the Smoke Shack at Stony Stratford and also to present a report to the Development Control Committee on what he believed went wrong.</p>		<p>Service Director (Adult Social Care)</p> <p>Head of Development Management</p>

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5(a)	<p>Councillors' Questions (cont)</p> <p>Councillor Middleton to inform Councillor P Geary why 159 Ramsons Avenue, Conniburrow has not been brought back into the housing stock despite being vacated over two years ago.</p> <p>Councillor Legg to discuss with the Head of Customer Service how the Council liaises with customers who have made a report via the online portal.</p> <p>Councillor Bald to notify Councillor Legg of the specific street lighting issue referred to in order that he may investigate.</p> <p>Councillor Gowans to liaise with officer colleagues as to the best way forward with regard to flooding problems in London Road, Loughton.</p>		<p>Interim Head of Property</p> <p>Head of Customer Service</p> <p>Councillor Bald</p> <p>Service Director (Growth, Economy and Culture)</p>
5(b)(i)	<p>Cambridge - Milton Keynes - Oxford Corridor: Interim Report of the National Infrastructure Commission</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That this Council welcomes wholeheartedly the ambition for Milton Keynes as a part of a Cambridge - Milton Keynes - Oxford corridor demonstrated in the recently published Interim report of the National Infrastructure Commission. 2. That the Council refers the report to the Administration with a request that its recommendations be fully incorporated in the forthcoming First Draft of the new Local Plan (Plan:MK) with particular regard to the need for more housing, a joined up strategy linking infrastructure and homes, the completion of the east/west rail link, the need to generate a step change in transport options into CMK and the development of an Oxford - Cambridge Expressway. 	Cabinet	<p>Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager / Service Director (Growth, Economy and Culture)</p>

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5(b)(i)	<p>Cambridge - Milton Keynes - Oxford Corridor: Interim Report of the National Infrastructure Commission (cont)</p> <p>3. That the Council also recognises the need to co-ordinate economic and spatial planning across current local government boundaries through the development of new joint governance arrangements.</p>		
5(b)(ii)	<p>Milton Keynes' 50th Birthday</p> <p>1. That this Council, in celebrating Milton Keynes' 50th Birthday, wishes to recognise the people who have played a significant role in the development of this amazing city, and notes that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Milton Keynes was not just built by bricks and mortar but by the people who had a passion to build something new, something different, something special and most importantly something that built and bound communities together; (b) building Milton Keynes required not only forward thinking architects and planners but also community activists, teachers, nurses, students, entrepreneurs, sportsmen and sportswomen, charity workers, politicians, business leaders and many other outstanding individuals. <p>2. That the Council in acknowledging this and recognising the exceptional contribution that some people have made to make Milton Keynes such a special place asks the Leader and Cabinet Member responsible to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) launch a set of awards named 'MK MASTERS' to mark this milestone in our history that will promote the outstanding contributions of the many people who have given their all to build the City and our communities; 		

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5(b)(ii)	<p>Milton Keynes' 50th Birthday (cont)</p> <p>(b) set up a cross party panel that includes, but is not limited to, the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and a Senior Officer who will act apolitically as the steering group for the award; the terms of reference for the panel will be to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Set the categories for MK MASTERS' AWARDS and open nominations; (ii) Invite sponsorship from the business community; (iii) Plan an awards ceremony; (iv) sift nominations and choose the successful candidates; and (v) put in place a policy so that when Milton Keynes reaches other milestones in the future the Council can again recognise those that have made a positive impact on the City. 		PA to Leader and Cabinet Member
6.	<p>Leaders Executive Scheme of Delegation</p> <p>The Council received the Leader's Executive Scheme of Delegation, noting changes to Cabinet Portfolios and delegations given to individual Cabinet members to take decisions on a one off basis.</p>	-	-
7.	<p>Membership of Committees</p> <p>That the appointment of Councillor D McCall to replace Councillor R Bradburn as a member of the Health and Wellbeing Board and the appointment of Councillor P Geary to replace Councillor Jenkins as a member of the Housing and Community Committee be confirmed.</p>	-	Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager

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8.	<p>Ward Based Budgets</p> <p>That the report be noted.</p>		-
9.	<p>Quarterly Report on Special Urgency Decisions</p> <p>That the report be noted, including the use of Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 16(j), which provides for the call-in procedure to not apply where the decision being taken is urgent and any delay would likely seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests, in the following instances:</p> <p>(a) Submission of Offer to Purchase the Network Rail Quadrant Car Park, Elder Gate, Central Milton Keynes; and</p> <p>(b) Termination of the Contract for the Operation of the Materials Recycling Facility</p>		-