



Minutes of the MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL held on WEDNESDAY 20 JUNE 2018 at 7.30 pm

Present: Councillor Petchey (Mayor)
Councillors Akter, Baines, Bint, Brackenbury, M Bradburn, R Bradburn, Brown, Brunning, Cannon, Carr, Clancy, Crooks, Dransfield, Exon, Ferrans, Ganatra, Geaney, A Geary, P Geary, Gilbert, Gowans, Green, D Hopkins, V Hopkins, Hosking, Jenkins, Khan, Legg, Long, Marklew, Marland, McCall, McDonald, McLean, McPake, Middleton, Miles, Minns, Morla, Morris, Nolan, O'Neill, Patey-Smith, Priestley, Rankine, Reilly, Small, Wales, Walker, Wallis, C Wilson and K Wilson

Aldermen Bartlett and Howell

Apologies: Councillor Alexander, Buckley and Williams and Aldermen Beeley, Bristow, and E Henderson and Alderwomen Henderson Irons, Lloyd and Saunders

Also Present: c100 members of the public

CL20 MINUTES

RESOLVED -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 16 May 2018 be approved and signed by the Mayor as a correct record, subject to the reference to Councillor Coventry in Minute CL02 being changed to Councillor D Hopkins, the proportions in the preamble of Minute CL06 being corrected to reflect those in the resolution and all references to the 'Deputy Mayor' after Minute CL04 being changed to 'Councillor McLean'.

C21 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Councillor P Geary disclosed a pecuniary interest in items 5(b)(ii) and 5(b)(iii) (Flooding), as a flood prevention scheme had been built on land in his ownership and he was still awaiting settlement of compensation which might result in legal action against the Council.

Councillor A Geary advised the Council that in respect of items 5(b)(ii) and 5(b)(iii) (Flooding), land in his ownership had previously been used to for a flood prevention scheme and he had received payment in lieu of the land.

CL22

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) The Queen's Birthday Honours

The Mayor congratulated Sally Fennemore who had been awarded an MBE for services to Female Entrepreneurship and Gary Wilmot who had been awarded an MBE for services to drama and charity, both residents of Milton Keynes.

The Mayor indicated that he would be inviting both to join him before the next Council meeting and to then attend the meeting so that the Council could express its congratulations.

(b) Society for Information Technology Managers Award

The Mayor announced that the Council's web-site had been awarded 4 star status by the Society for Information Technology Managers to recognise its accessibility and congratulated all involved.

The Mayor outlined that of 414 council web-sites assessed the Council's was one of only 37 given a 4 star rating and only one of seven which had received a 4 star rating for four consecutive years.

(c) Presentations from the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable

The Mayor welcomed Mr Anthony Stansfeld, the Police and Crime Commissioner, the Chief Constable Francis Habgood and Superintendent Yvette Hitch, the Local Police Area Commander to the meeting.

CL23

PRESENTATION FROM THE CHIEF CONSTABLE

The Council received presentations from Mr Anthony Stansfeld, the Police and Crime Commissioner and Mr Francis Habgood the Chief Constable of Thames Valley Police.

The Police and Crime Commissioner outlined his responsibilities and strategic priorities and gave details of progress achieved against the Police and Crime Plan 2017/18 along with details of the performance of Thames Valley Police.

The Police and Crime Commissioner also referred to his victim first initiative dedicated to making sure that all victims of crime received the support they needed to cope and recover from the impact of crime.

The Chief Constable outlined major public events which had been policed during 2017/18, which included the recent Royal Wedding.

The Chief Constable referred to response rates to calls, performance, including particularly successes with regard to missing people, bike thefts, rural crime and modern slavery, along with crime trends.

The Chief Constable also referred to particular initiatives being undertaken by the force which included measures to protect vulnerable youths particularly in respect of being drawn into drug related crime, a clamp down on car cruise events, action against unauthorised encampments, work with schools and Hidden Harm, aimed at addressing modern slavery, online child abuse, honour crime, hate crime and domestic abuse.

The Police and Crime Commissioner, Chief Constable and the Local Police Area Commander answered questions from councillors which related to such areas as conviction rates, hate crime, unauthorised encampments, fear of crime, local policing, neighbourhood forums, anti-social behaviour, taxi enforcement, reporting of crime and enforcement of lorry bans.

The Mayor thanked the Police and Crime Commissioner, Chief Constable and the Local Police Area Commander for their attendance and invited them to stay for the Council's debate on unauthorised encampments.

CL24

PETITIONS

(a) Unauthorised Encampments

The Council received a petition relating to Unauthorised Encampments.

The Council noted that the petition would be discussed as part of the Council's debate on Travellers.

(b) Flooding

The Council received a petition relating to drainage and flooding issues in Newport Pagnell.

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At this point in the meeting the Mayor brought forward the motions on Travellers and Flooding.

CL25

TRAVELLERS

Councillor Morla moved the following motion which was seconded by Councillor Small:

1. "That the Council notes that:
 - (a) residents feel they cannot safely use the parks and green spaces in Tattenhoe and Tattenhoe Park due to the constant stream of unauthorised traveller encampments;
 - (b) there is considerable evidence of antisocial and threatening behaviour towards residents, a risk to public health through open spaces being used as a toilet, and damage to the environment through unsightly rubbish and churning up of the ground;

- (c) this comes on top of years of unauthorised encampments, but the last eight months are unprecedented;
 - (d) the costs of eviction, enforcement and clean up are estimated to be at least £100,000 over the last year; and
 - (e) simply dealing with each incursion through enforcement action has not and will not solve the problem and that further action is required.
2. That the Council further notes that:
- (a) Harlow Council has successfully used an Injunction against named individuals to ban unauthorized encampments on any land in Harlow and protect 322 vulnerable sites including parks, playgrounds, verges, schools, cycle tracks across Harlow; and
 - (b) the Injunction, taken out in 2015 has recently been extended by the High Court to 2020.
3. That the Council requests Officers to:
- (a) fully investigate the Injunction route as a long lasting solution to stop the intolerable situation being suffered by Tattenhoe residents;
 - (b) wherever possible erect more physical barriers to prevent unauthorized access;
 - (c) thoroughly investigate every traveller case to understand their housing needs and match those to available pitches or other housing solutions;
 - (d) publish an Action Plan covering joint action with the police and Homes England; and
 - (e) report back to Council on progress made in July and September 2018.”

Councillor Brown moved the following amendment which was seconded by Councillor Ferrans:

- “1. That in clause 1(a) the words ‘Tattenhoe and Tattenhoe Park’ be deleted and replaced with the words ‘Tattenhoe, Tattenhoe Park, Caldecotte and surrounding areas’ and the words ‘the constant stream of’ be deleted.
- 2. That in clause 1(b) all words after ‘there is considerable evidence of’ be deleted and replaced with the words ‘heightening tensions between the traveller and settled communities leading to threatening and anti-social behaviour both on line and face to face’.
- 3. That in clause 1(d) all words after the words ‘clean up are’ be deleted and replaced with the words ‘substantial for Milton Keynes Council and partners’.

4. That a new clause 1(e) be added as follows 'Milton Keynes requires 19 more pitches to meet its legal duty and the Traveller Liaison Unit, which used to manage unauthorised encampments was disbanded in 2012 and subsequent clauses be re-lettered accordingly'.
5. That in clause 1(f) (originally clause 1[e]) the word 'whilst' be added to the beginning of the sentence and all the words after enforcement action be deleted and replaced with the words 'whilst has been effective at times, it is not a permanent solution and further action is required'.
6. That clause 2(b) be deleted and replaced with the words 'due to Milton Keynes Council not delivering the Fenny Lock site in 2012 the Council is unlikely to be successful in any bid for an injunction, even if the Council was minded to pursue that route'.
7. That clause 3(a) be deleted and subsequent paragraphs be re-lettered accordingly.
8. That clause 3(a) (previously clause 3[b]) be deleted and be replaced with the words 'recognise that community safety for all is paramount and ensure that, wherever possible, the Council work with travellers and settled communities to discourage the use of sensitive sites and identify safe and viable pieces of land where Travellers can stop temporarily until permanent solutions can be finalised'.
9. That 3(c) (previously clause 3[d]) be deleted and replaced with the words 'work with partners such as the Parks Trust, Homes England and Thames Valley Police, travellers and settled communities to publish an action plan to manage unauthorised encampments, address short term and long term needs and investigate claims of permanent rights to settle in Milton Keynes'.
10. That a new clause 3(d) be added as follows 'investigate and identify new sites and to deliver the Council's 19 pitch requirements and bring forward plans to develop them so that the Council meets its legal duty' and the subsequent paragraph be re-lettered accordingly.
11. That the words 'July and' be deleted from clause 3(e)."

The Council heard from twelve members of the public.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 21 it was moved and seconded that Council Procedure Rule 13.6(a) be suspended to allow a further amendment to the motion to be moved.

On being put to the vote it was agreed by acclamation that Council Procedure Rule 13.6(a) be suspended.

With the consent of the Council, Councillor Brown withdrew his amendment to the motion.

Councillor Marland moved the following amendment which was seconded and accepted by Councillor Morla as the mover of the motion:

“That all of the words after ‘1. That the Council’ be deleted and replaced with:

- ‘(a) notes that this issue is of utmost concern to residents;
 - (b) thanks residents for bringing this issue to the Council’s attention and for their time addressing Council; and
 - (c) notes Council has listened to residents.
2. That the Council therefore asks:
- (a) Cabinet to take immediate action on this issue at the next Cabinet meeting;
 - (b) notes the Leader’s commitment to independent consideration of all options, including physical barriers, legal injunctions and any other practical options; and
 - (c) the Leader to convene an urgent cross party meeting to establish common ground on this issue.’

On being put to the vote the motion, as amended was declared carried unanimously.

RESOLVED –

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CL26**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rules 8.6 and 21 it was moved and seconded that Council Procedure Rule 8.2 be suspended to allow public questions to be asked.

On being put to the vote it was agreed by acclamation that Council Procedure Rule 8.2 be suspended.

CL27**QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

- (a) Question from Mrs J Knight to Councillor Nolan (Cabinet member for Children and Families).

Mrs J Knight, referring to the Council's consultation on closing the Walnuts Children's Home asked Councillor Nolan to confirm what the savings the Council anticipated making from the closure were and what other revenue and capital sources of funding had been explored to fund the children's home and/or the proposed 6th form provision.

Councillor Nolan indicated that the current consultation was a pre-consultation which would be taking place through to the middle of August, after that time it would be decided whether to proceed to a formal consultation.

Councillor Nolan also indicated that the cost of the Home was not the foremost factor, the foremost factor was what was best for the children and the aspiration for children to be in a family setting.

Councillor Nolan confirmed that there were no planned savings to the Council's General Fund budget linked to the proposals, although there would be some financial benefit, but it was quite hard to say exactly what those would be because the needs of the children in residential care change. However, Councillor Nolan recognised that the High Need or Designated Schools Grant was topping up the budget for the children's home and that wouldn't need to happen if the home was to close.

As a supplementary question Mrs Knight, noting that Councillor Nolan had indicated that savings were not the main consideration in proposing the closure, asked Councillor Nolan how the proposal linked with Council Plan Priority 5 (Putting young People First) and whether she would either not support the Council Plan, or she would withdraw the proposed closure.

Councillor Nolan reiterated that the pre-consultation was designed to hear the views of interested parties before deciding whether to proceed.

The issue for the Council was quality of care and it was not believed the current building allowed good quality health and

care to be delivered and, while there were no serious widespread failures, this issue had been identified during the latest inspection.

- (b) Question from Mrs A Braddy to Councillor Gowans (Cabinet member for Public Realm).

The Council noted that as Mrs Braddy had been unable to stay to this point in the meeting to ask her question which related to highway repairs and parking at Mersey Way / Close Bletchley and therefore a written response would be provided.

CL28

FLOODING

The Council noted that in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.3, the two motions relating to flooding had been combined and a joint motion submitted by Councillors Walker and K Wilson.

Councillor Walker moved the following motion which was seconded by Councillor K Wilson:

“That following the recent devastating floods to hit parts of Milton Keynes this Council:

1. notes the recent extremely heavy rainfall which resulted in flash flooding across Milton Keynes;
2. notes the havoc and damage inflicted on a large number of residents as a consequence of flooding and further notes that damage was spread across Milton Keynes, with the estates in the Woughton Community Council area being acutely affected;
3. appreciates and thanks all the Council officers and staff from other organisations including those from Your MK, Woughton Community Council, other Parish Councils, Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Fire and Rescue Service, Ringway, SERCO and others who worked around the clock in the immediate emergency response phase;
4. acknowledges the efforts of the Leader of the Council to support residents in the affected areas and welcomes and supports the announcement of a hardship fund of £100,000 to support victims of flooding, and to temporarily suspend rents of Council tenants badly affected;
5. requests a review of the emergency response to learn what worked well and what could have been done better in order to ensure that the Council can respond quickly and effectively in future;
6. acknowledges residents' concerns regarding the lack of drain clearance and general flood protection, in doing so requests the Chief Executive to launch a Borough-wide independent investigation, which includes evidence from Town and Parish

Councils, other local groups and organisations as well as other agencies to ensure an honest appraisal of this incident, with the review making recommendations to the Council on:

- (a) issues such the cleaning and maintenance of drainage and guttering over the past four years, which many residents believe were either not fit for purpose, were poorly maintained, or were damaged by tree roots and other factors;
 - (b) Milton Keynes' flood prevention provisions; and
 - (c) how best to incorporate other agencies such as Town and Parish councils in any future response to ensure a timely and effective response to any future emergencies;
7. The Council therefore asks Cabinet to:
- (a) publish a report detailing the current status of all drains, culverts, watercourses and current flood mitigation schemes, along with planned improvements to drainage following the outcome of the independent review, if required;
 - (b) ensure that all existing planned flood protection schemes are completed by November 2019;
 - (c) Review planning guidance for new housing developments to ensure how future developments can best deal with sustained periods of extremely heavy rainfall, the incidence of which appears to be growing as a consequence of climate change;
 - (d) Investigate how some current issues can be addressed for example houses on some estates are below the street level, communal drains are now on private property, how houses on Netherfield can maintain a standard roof line and on Coffee Hall and Tinkers Bridge where the street structure is designed so as to lead to many houses below the street level
8. That this Council therefore highlights the fantastic support offered by local residents associations, and local communities in supporting those affected in a wide variety of ways, noting however that it is clear that storms and weather events previously classified as 'once in a generation', are now occurring on a more regular basis and many of the communities affected have also experienced flooding in recent years which may suggest some fundamental issues that need addressing in order to ensure that this does not happen again."

On being put to the vote the motion was declared carried unanimously.

RESOLVED –

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CL29

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING ACT 1989 AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (COMMITTEES AND POLITICAL GROUPS) REGULATIONS 1990

The Council noted that notification has been received that Councillor Dransfield was no longer a member of the Conservative Group as was the case when the Council reviewed the basis of the allocation of seats amongst the Political Groups at its Annual Meeting.

The Conservative Group now held 40.35% of the seats on the Council, the Labour Group 36.84% of the seats, the Liberal Democrat Group 21.05% of the seats, with 1.76% of the seats remaining unallocated.

As a result of the notification the Conservative Group needed to forfeit two seats. Unallocated seats could be filled by the Independent councillor.

RESOLVED -

1. That, in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, the Council noted that the Conservative Group was entitled to 40.35% of the seats on the Council's Committees, the Labour Group was entitled to 36.84% of the seats, the Liberal Democrat Group was entitled to 21.05% of the seats, with 1.76% of the seats remaining unallocated.
2. That, as a result of the need for the Conservative Group to relinquish two committee seats, Councillor McDonald would stand down from the Community and Housing Committee and Councillor Green would stand down from the Licensing and Regulatory Committees.
3. That Councillor Green's appointment to the Children and Young Peoples Scrutiny Committee to replace Councillor Small be confirmed.
4. That Councillor Dransfield's decision to decline the unallocated committee places be noted.

CL30

STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY 2018 - 2023

Councillor Morris moved the following recommendation from the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 14 March 2018, which was seconded by Councillor Miles:

"That the revised Statement of Licensing Policy 2018 – 2023 be endorsed."

On being put to the vote the recommendation was declared carried by acclamation.

RESOLVED –

That the revised Statement of Licensing Policy 2018 – 2023 be endorsed.

CL31

DRAFT AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

Councillor Ferrans moved the following recommendation from the meeting of the Housing and Community Committee held on 27 March 2018, which was seconded by Councillor Reilly:

- “1. That the Council be requested to support the Government's independent review into delays in construction on development sites with planning permission and the possibility of introducing a tax to be paid by developers on any such sites which appear to have been “banked” by developers.
2. That the Council continues to press the Government to relax the limitations on local authority house building so that local authorities can build the houses they need, not what the Government is willing to fund.”

On being put to the vote the motion was declared carried unanimously.

RESLOVED –

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2. That the Council continues to press the Government to relax the limitations on local authority house building so that local authorities can build the houses they need, not what the Government is willing to fund.

CL32

MAKING THE STONY STRATFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Councillor Legg moved the following recommendation from the meeting of the Cabinet held on 5 June 2018, which was seconded by Councillor C Wilson:

"That the Council makes the Stony Stratford Neighbourhood Plan pursuant to the provisions of Section 38(A)(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, and that:

- (a) a decision document setting out the results of the referendum and the Council's decision to make the plan, and the Stony Stratford Neighbourhood Plan be published on the Council's website and in other means, to bring them to the attention of people who live, work or carry out business in the neighbourhood area; and
- (b) the decision document and details on how to view the plan be sent to the qualifying body (Stony Stratford Town Council) and any person who asked to be notified of the decision.

On being put to the vote the recommendation was declared carried by acclamation.

RESLOVED –

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- (a) a decision document setting out the results of the referendum and the Council's decision to make the plan, and the Stony Stratford Neighbourhood Plan be published on the Council's website and in other means, to bring them to the attention of people who live, work or carry out business in the neighbourhood area; and
- (b) the decision document and details on how to view the plan be sent to the qualifying body (Stony Stratford Town Council) and any person who asked to be notified of the decision.

CL33 MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL PLAN 2016 - 2020

Councillor Marland moved the following recommendation from the meeting of the Cabinet held on 5 June 2018, which was seconded by Councillor McCall:

“That the revised Council Plan 2016 – 2020 be approved.”

On being put to the vote the recommendation was declared carried with 29 councillors voting in favour, 0 councillors voting against and 22 councillors abstaining from voting.

RESLOVED –

That the revised Council Plan 2016 – 2020 be approved.

CL34 RESERVES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE

With the consent of the Council, Councillor R Bradburn withdrew the motion.

CL35 MILTON KEYNES REGISTER OFFICE

Councillor Rankine moved the following motion which was seconded by Councillor Clancy:

“That this Council:

- (a) recognises the concerns raised by residents over the recently announced decision to relocate the register office from Bracknell House in Bletchley to the Civic Offices, demonstrated clearly in the petition that now numbers over 3,500 signatures; and
- (b) calls on the Cabinet to review the decision at its next meeting.”

On being put to the vote the motion was declared carried unanimously.

RESOLVED –

That the Council:

- (a) recognises the concerns raised by residents over the recently announced decision to relocate the register office from Bracknell House in Bletchley to the Civic Offices, demonstrated clearly in the petition that now numbers over 3,500 signatures; and
- (b) calls on the Cabinet to review the decision at its next meeting.

CL36 APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE/HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

The Council considered appointing both an interim and permanent Chief Executive following the resignation of the current Chief Executive.

The Mayor moved and the Deputy Mayor seconded that:

- “1. That the processes for making interim arrangements and the recruitment of a new permanent Chief Executive Officer/Head of Paid Service be noted.
2. That a Chief Executive Appointment Committee/Panel be established with the following Terms of Reference in the proportions of 2:2:1 (two each Labour and Conservative and one Liberal Democrat councillor) to deal with the appointment process as follows:
 - (a) Determine the role requirements associated with the post;
 - (b) Review and finalise a Job Description, Person Specification, recruitment pack and timetable;
 - (c) Review and determine the salary level;
 - (d) Undertake longlisting, shortlisting, interviewing and final selection of a candidate, recommending the latter to Full Council in due course.”

On being put to the vote the recommendation was declared carried by acclamation.

RESOLVED –

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CL37

QUARTERLY REPORT ON SPECIAL URGENCY DECISIONS

In accordance with Access to Information Procedure Rule 17.4, the Council noted that the Provisions for Special Urgency, as set out in Access to Information Procedure Rule 16, and Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 16(j) were used once during the period 11 March 2018 to 8 June 2018, when the call-in provisions were waived

in respect of the decision taken by the Cabinet on 5 June 2018 concerning the support provided for victims of the recent flooding in Milton Keynes, due to the urgent need for a decision because of the likely prejudice to the public's interest if implementation of the decision was to be delayed.

THE MAYOR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 11.23 PM