

## DECISION SHEET: CABINET - 25 JULY 2012

<b>Members Present:</b>	Councillors A Geary (Chair), Bald, Bint, Dransfield, Hopkins and P Geary
<b>Officers Present:</b>	D Hill (Chief Executive), L Bull (Corporate Director Community Wellbeing), G Tolley (Corporate Director of Children and Families), G Snelson (Director of Strategy), M Bracey (Assistant Director [Children and Families: Learning Organisation and Improvement]), N Fenwick (Assistant Director [Planning, Economy and Development]), N Jones (Assistant Director [Financial Management]), I Ali (Acting Assistant Director [Law and Governance]), L Ellen (Head of Housing Management), B Matthews (Head of Transportation Services), D Webber (Senior Planning Officer) and S Heap (Democratic Services Manager)
<b>Apology:</b>	Councillor Brock
<b>Also Present</b>	Councillors Bradburn, Edwards, Marland, Miles, Webb and C Williams
<b>Public Present:</b>	43

<b>Minute Ref.</b>	<b>Accountable Cabinet Member</b>	<b>Subject and Decision</b>	<b>Key Decision</b>	<b>Within Policy</b>	<b>Borough Ward</b>	<b>Officer Responsible for Action</b>
C22		<p><b>Cabinet Announcements</b></p> <p>Councillor Hopkins made an announcement regarding the completion of the Examination in Public of the Council's Core Strategy.</p>	-	-	-	-
C23		<p><b>Minutes</b></p> <p>That the Minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 20 June 2012 and 4 July 2012, be approved and signed by the Chair as correct records.</p>	-	-	-	-
C24		<p><b>Disclosures of Interest</b></p> <p>Councillor Hopkins disclosed a personal interest in Item 17 (The Neighbourhood Planning Decision Making Process), as a Member of two of the Parish Councils concerned.</p> <p>Councillor P Geary disclosed a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in Item 7(e) (Skate Parks and Facilities for Young People), as a Trustee of the Parks Trust.</p>	-	-	-	Assistant Director (Democratic Services)
C25		<p><b>Localisation of Council Tax Benefits - Referral from Economy, Growth and Regeneration Select Committee: 3 July 2012</b></p> <p>That the referral be received and recommendations noted.</p>	-	-	-	-

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C26		<p><b>Skate Parks and Facilities for Young People - Referral from Council: 11 July 2012</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That a meeting be arranged for the Leader to meet with key stakeholders and officers to discuss the issue.</li> <li>2. That officers be requested to take forward the recommendations from the Council and the matter be referred to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee for consideration as part of any review on play provision being undertaken.</li> </ol>				<p>Assistant Director (Democratic Services) Corporate Director Community Wellbeing / Assistant Director (Democratic Services)</p>
C27		<p><b>Adoption of a Milton Keynes Council Enforcement Policy</b></p> <p>That the Council be recommended to adopt the Milton Keynes Council Enforcement Policy for all relevant Council regulatory functions.</p>	-	-	All Wards	<p>Assistant Director (Democratic Services)</p>
C28		<p><b>Proposed Integration of Russell Street Day Nursery with The Rowans Day Nursery</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the integration of day nursery provision at The Rowans and Russell Street Day Nurseries within The Rowans Children's Centre building from September 2012, be agreed.</li> </ol>	-	-	Stony Stratford	<p>Corporate Director (Children's Services)</p>

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C28 (cont)		<p>2. That, in light of the positive ongoing negotiations with Russell Street Day Nursery Parents Association, the Development Control Committee be requested to consider extending the period of ring-fencing for the sum of £50,000, arising from the Community Facilities Contribution of £150,000 contained within the S106 Agreement relating to Planning Application 04/00655/FUL (former BMG Motors Site, London Road, Stony Stratford), for a further period of 12 months, until September 2013, and if it has not been possible to reach a conclusion after that time, the Development Control Committee be requested to consider a further extension.</p>				Assistant Director (Democratic Services / Assistant Director (Planning, Economy and Development)
C29		<p><b>Housing Management - Closure of Housing Offices</b></p> <p>That the adequacy of the systems in place for handling customer enquiries within the housing management service, be noted.</p>	-	-	All Wards	Head of Housing Management
C30		<p><b>Grid Road Lighting</b></p> <p>1. That the revised criterion for the switching off of grid road lights, be approved.</p> <p>2. That, as a result of the new criteria, it be noted that only two sections of the current grid road system will have the street lighting not illuminated.</p> <p>3. That the letter, dated 17 June 2012, from Superintendent Halliday of Thames Valley Police commending the review, be noted.</p>	-	-	Emerson Valley, Walton Park, Middleton, Stony Stratford, Linford South, Bradwell, Denbigh, Whaddon, Woughton, Loughton Park, Eaton Manor, Furzton, Campbell Park and Wolverton	Interim Head of Highways

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C30 (cont)		<p>4. That the illumination of the grid roads on those sections of the network that do not meet the new criteria be approved and that this be completed by the end of September 2012.</p> <p>5. That the Capital Programme 2012/13 budget of £865,000 for street lighting to enable the subsequent dimming and trimming of the columns which have been switched back on, be approved.</p> <p>6. That the Corporate Director (Resources) be invited to identify compensatory savings to offset the in-year financial pressure of £97,000.</p>				
C31		<p><b>East West Rail</b></p> <p>1. That the progress with the East West Rail project, which will see delivery of the western section linking Milton Keynes with Aylesbury, Oxford, Reading and Bedford (including electrification), be welcomed.</p> <p>2. That the appropriate Cabinet Member (or his / her appointed substitute) be appointed to represent Milton Keynes Council on the newly established Joint Delivery Board.</p>	-	-	All Wards	Head of Transportation Services

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C31 (cont)		<p>3. That full public consultation on the detailed proposals be undertaken as they emerge, with particular reference to those living close to the proposed route through Milton Keynes (Fenny Stratford, Bow Brickhill, Walton [Old Farm Park and Browns Wood], Wavendon and Woburn Sands parishes) and notes the concerns regarding road / rail pinch points at Brow Brickhill (Brickhill Street) and Woburn Sands (Station Road / Cranfield Road / Newport Road) and various much used public footpath and bridleway crossing points and consider the need for footbridge crossings.</p> <p>4. That the project be highlighted within the forthcoming Local Investment Plan.</p>				
C32		<p><b>Transport Infrastructure Investment</b></p> <p>1. That, in principle, the allocation of up to £50m of additional investment in highway infrastructure over the next seven years, as part of a long term (to 2039) sustainable asset management approach to highway infrastructure, be approved.</p> <p>2. That the resource allocation of £865,000 for the enhancement of grid road lighting, to be funded through prudential borrowing as part of the £50m additional investment in highway infrastructure, be approved.</p>	-	-	All Wards	Highways Network Co-ordinator

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C32 (cont)		<p>3. That the spend for an initial phase of £5m be approved, which will be made up of the following:</p> <p>(a) £2.7m on footways and redways in 2012/13;</p> <p>(b) £1.435m on footways and redways in 2013/14; and</p> <p>(c) £0.865m on enhanced grid road lighting in 2012/13.</p>				
C33		<p><b>Outline Business Case for Highways and Transportation Services</b></p> <p>1. That the Outline Business Case for the future provision of Highways and Transport Services, be approved.</p> <p>2. That the commencement of the tendering process for a Term Maintenance Contract for Highways and Street Lighting be approved, with the term to be determined by the Project Board, but to be of the order of seven years with extensions up to three years, giving a total contract length of no more than ten years.</p> <p>3. That the use of the Midland Highways Alliance documents, wherever appropriate, for OJEU, PQQ and ITT stages, rather than the standard Milton Keynes ones, be approved subject to agreement by the appropriate officers that these are adequate to protect the Authority.</p>	-	-	All Wards	Chief Executive

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C33 (cont)		<p>4. That the evaluation of the received tenders use a 50:50 price : quality / ratio to give the Most Economically Advantageous Tender.</p> <p>5. That such elements of the Highways depot as considered appropriate be made available for a peppercorn rent to the successful contractor under a full maintenance lease agreement, or similar, as determined by the Project Board.</p> <p>6. That £0.3m be allocated from invest to save funds for the Procurement Project to back-fill where necessary and enable the use of external expertise, as required.</p> <p>7. That, due to the tight timescales and the need for clear delegated authority, the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport, be authorised to take all necessary decisions during the procurement process up to, but not including, the decision to award the contract.</p>				
C34		<p><b>Organisational Transformation Programme Plan</b></p> <p>That the fourth quarterly update and the progress made by the Organisational Transformation Programme, April to July 2012, and the current areas of focus for the refreshed programme, be noted.</p>	-	-	All Wards	Corporate Director (Children's Services)



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C35		<p><b>Neighbourhood Planning Decision-Making Process</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the following applications be approved as neighbourhood areas, in accordance with Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the neighbourhood area covering the Woburn Sands Town Council; and</li> <li>(b) the neighbourhood area covering Wavendon Parish Council.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. That the Central Milton Keynes neighbourhood area application be approved as a business neighbourhood area, in accordance with Section 61H of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.</li> <li>3. That the following decisions in the neighbourhood planning process, as defined in the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, be delegated to the Cabinet Member responsible for Strategic Planning: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) whether to accept and designate a neighbourhood area;</li> <li>(b) whether an application for a neighbourhood development plan or order is valid and should be accepted;</li> <li>(c) whether to decline or accept a repeat proposal for a neighbourhood development plan or order;</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	-	-	All Wards	Senior Planning Officer

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C35 (cont)		<p>(d) the appointment of an examiner for a neighbourhood development plan or order;</p> <p>(e) whether to make a neighbourhood development plan or order following a referendum.</p> <p>(f) actions to take in response to an examiner's report; and</p> <p>(g) whether to modify neighbourhood development plans or orders.</p>				
C36		<p><b>Update on Wolverton Neighbourhood Plan and Consideration of Compulsory Purchase of the Agora Site</b></p> <p>That consideration of this matter be deferred to an Extraordinary Meeting of the Cabinet on 7 August 2012, to be held on conclusion of the Cabinet Procurement Committee.</p>	-	-	Hanslope / Stantonbury / Wolverton	Assistant Director (Planning, Economy and Development)
C37		<p><b>University College for Milton Keynes</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Milton Keynes Community Interim Ambition Statement for university level education be agreed.</li> <li>2. That the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) of MK civic interests and the providers of higher education locally, be agreed.</li> <li>3. That the University College Milton Keynes Ambition Statement including Key Milestones, be noted.</li> </ol>	-	-	All Wards	Director of Strategy

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C38		<p><b>Medium Term Financial Plan</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the financial forecast and the other issues in relation to both resources and expenditure which are reflected in the framework for the 2013/14 Budget and Medium Term Financial Plan, be noted.</li> <li>2. That the key assumptions that underpin the financial forecasts for the next four years and the associated risks, be noted.</li> <li>3. That the indicative savings requirement of £59m over the four year period 2013/14 to 2016/17, which requires the Council to drive forward its strategy to bridge the funding gap, be noted.</li> <li>4. That the Corporate Leadership Team develop detailed recommendations to address the medium term funding gap.</li> <li>5. That the financial principles, as a sound basis for the future financial management of this Council, be endorsed.</li> </ol>	-	-	All Wards	Corporate Director Resources
C39		<p><b>Revenue Budget Capital Programme Monitoring and Workforce Report</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the forecast outturn positions reported by Service Groups and the overall forecast General Fund revenue position of an underspend of (£0.306m), be noted.</li> <li>2. That the expenditure to date, projected outturn for the Capital Programme 2012/13 be noted.</li> </ol>	-	-	All Wards	Corporate Director Resources

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C39 (cont)		3. That the Project Management position at the end of June 2012 be noted. 4. That the treasury activity during the first three months of the year be noted. 5. That the amounts written off during the first three months of the year be noted. 6. That the movement in the establishment reporting in year be noted.				
C40		<b>Capital Programme Revisions and Spend Approvals</b> 1. That the additions to the resource allocation and spend approval for the Capital Programme 2012/13 be approved. 2. That the amended resource allocation and spend approvals for the Capital Programme 2012/13 be approved. 3. That the funding position for the Capital Programme 2012/13 be noted.	-	-	All Wards	Corporate Director Resources
C41		<b>Cabinet Procurement Committee - 6 June 2012 and 3 July 2012</b> That the Minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet Procurement Committee held on 6 June 2012 and 3 July 2012, be noted.	-	-	-	Assistant Director (Democratic Services)

A request to call-in any of the decisions, bearing the name(s) of a Member of the Council, the Chair or Clerk of a Parish or Town Council or signed by twenty residents of Milton Keynes, should be sent to the Assistant Director (Democratic Services), Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3EJ, Telephone: (01908) 252314, Fax: (01908) 252511, E-Mail: [john.moffoot@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:john.moffoot@milton-keynes.gov.uk) by no later than **5.00 pm on 3 August 2012**.

A form which the twenty residents of Milton Keynes may complete to request that a decision is called in can be accessed from the link below:  
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