

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Motion 2

Public Transport

Councillor D Hopkins (1 March 2023 – 17:49)

- “1. That this Council notes that:
 - (a) the public subsidies for many bus services in Milton Keynes were removed by Milton Keynes Council in April 2021 and that this led to many bus services ceasing across the city;
 - (b) these services were replaced by a public transport system known as MK Connect a demand responsive transport system which is neither a bus service nor a taxi service; and
 - (c) MK Connect while being very helpful for some users in being able to transport them across the city at a very reasonable price has not been shown to be reliable enough for people to consistently use it to get to work, school college, to get to the train station or to medical appointments leaving people with no choice but to use a car and has let others down in return journeys.
2. That this council requests that:
 - (a) the Cabinet member in conjunction with officers investigate the feasibility of a hybrid system reimplementing some subsidised bus services to enable the public transport system to be reliable for those most in need in Milton Keynes as well as reducing reliance on the car; and
 - (b) that the matter be referred to the Scrutiny Management Committee for inclusion on a scrutiny committee work programme by the end of 2023, at the latest.”