Central Milton Keynes Town Council
Meeting held on 8th October 2015
At Centrecom, 602 North Row, Central Milton Keynes

Present: Rebecca Kurth (Chair)
Ken Baker
Hilarie Bowman
Andre Brady (from item 15)
Ramo Erdogan
Linda Inoki
Jim McGowan
Andrew Thomas
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)
Thomas Walker (Communications Officer)

Apologies: None

In attendance: None

	Minutes	Actions
1	**Apologies** No apologies were received.	
2	**Declarations of Interest** There were no additional declarations of interest noted.	
3	**Ratification of Minutes of the Town Council meeting** The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council on 10th September 2015 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed as such by the Chair.	
4	**Clerks' Report on Outstanding Items** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. Updates to the action sheet were agreed, as follows:- Item 14/074- Paper submitted to meeting. Completed. Item 15/007- To be further considered in November. Pending. Item 15/024- Meeting took place 6 October. Completed. Item 15/025- Regular meetings established. Completed. Item 15-028- To be further considered in November. Pending. Item 15-033- Dog bins ordered. Installation in November. Pending. Item 15/034- Action taken to manage parking during Fanzone. Completed Item 15/036- Railings replaced. Completed. Item 15/039- To be considered in December. Pending. Item 15/046- Completed. Item 15/048- Completed. Item 15/049- Submission to be circulated by email. Pending. Item 15/050- Submission to be circulated by email. Pending. Item 15/051- Response to be presented to November meeting. Pending. Item 15/052- Not relevant to Town Council. Closed. Item 15/053- Completed.	JMc RK/JMc/KB/TW KB/TW RK/KB/TW

	Item 15/054- Completed. Item 15/055- Completed. Item 15/056- To be considered in November. Pending. Item 15/057- Completed. Item 15/058- Completed. Item 15/059- To be considered in November. Pending.	 PC PC
5	**Representations from Public** There were no members of the public present at the meeting.	
6	**Finance paper** The amended paper, as tabled, was noted.	
7	**Quarterly Budget Update** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The Chair clarified the detail as provided in the paper. The manner in which the contingency was determined was discussed and the Chair agreed to research a better accounting method to allocate contingency.	 RK
8	**Projects Update** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. **PP14/001 Allotments-** It was agreed that Marcus Young be given more time to produce his report. This is now anticipated in the early part of 2016. **PP15/002 Dog bins-** Councillor Bowman queried the location of the proposed dog litter bins as not near to residential dwellings. The Clerk noted that the posts were now in situ awaiting the bins to be affixed.	
9	**Future Cabinet and Delegated Decisions** The updated paper, as tabled, was noted. Councillor Thomas noted that although the papers generated for the various meetings were not detailed in and of themselves, there were almost always substantial papers sitting behind the paper which would need interrogation. This was asking more time commitment from councillors. The view was endorsed by some other councillors. The Chair noted that there were occasions where the opportunity to comment on papers at a formative stage had been missed, and the proposed process had been designed to avoid this. The Chair then proposed that the recommendation be varied to only reflect the production of the Forward Plan monitoring document for each meeting, updated by the Clerk and to be presented to the Town Council for noting each month. This proposal was agreed by a majority vote. It was agreed that the Chair would bring back a paper to the next meeting proposing an alternative way to respond to the items featured on the list.	RK
10	**CMK Street Warden and his work with the Town Council** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.	
11	**Damage to Midsummer Boulevard East- Highways Works** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.	

	It was agreed that the stored granite should be inspected, and that the Town Council should engage with Highways to ascertain the process by which the decision to remove the granite was arrived at. Additionally, an agreement should be sought that the granite will be restored when works are next undertaken on the affected road and central reservation. Finally, the Town Council should seek to establish a process of engagement with Highways going forward prior to works being undertaken in the parish. The Clerk was requested to lead a project to pursue the stated actions and report back to the Town Council in January 2016.	PC
12	**Update on the Request for call-in by the Secretary of State** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.	
13	**Judicial Review of Intu Planning Decision** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The Chair noted that the JR process is a legal one, not subject to political intervention. The initial steps as outlined were agreed by the Town Council. Additionally, it was agreed that those to progress the actions would be Councillors Kurth and Brady and the Clerk.	RK/AB/PC
14	**Noticeboards** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. It was agreed by a majority vote that the noticeboard should be 2 x A1 sized, and double sided. The Clerk to progress final options consideration.	PC
15	**Parking Standards Consultation response** The amended paper, as tabled, was noted. Councillor Brady arrived during this item. The Chair drew the attention of the Town Council to the response to paras 4.30 and 4.38, together with Section 7. It was noted that the proposals only apply to new developments. The paper was agreed.	
16	**Parish Funding Distribution consultation** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. By a majority vote it was agreed to support the proposal for a set amount predetermined for forward budgeting purposes.	
17	**Street Trading Policy consultation** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. It was agreed that Councillor Erdogan work with the Communications Officer to develop a response to the consultation. The Clerk to request a one day extension for the submission.	RE/TW PC

18	**Items for Information** **a) MKCCM City Centre Operations Group Minutes dated 17 September 2015** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. It was agreed that in future Councillor Bowman, the Town Council's representative on the body, should circulate the minutes together with any observations she might have on the meeting. Councillor Thomas noted that the focus of the group appeared to have moved since its inception. It was agreed that Councillors Bowman and Baker meet to consider the Town Council's representation on the group and its relationship to the aims of the Town Council. **b) Cyclo Cross World Cup Audit Investigation Report** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. **c) License Request, B-Town** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. **d) CMK Street Warden Report September 2015** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. Concerns were expressed in respect of over-zealous pruning of landscape within the parish. **e) Annual Parish Meeting, 15 October 2015** The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. **f) Communications to Campbell Park residents regarding the Rugby World Cup Fanzone event** The papers, as previously circulated, were noted.	 HB HB/KB
19	**Items for Next Agenda** It was agreed that a paper be brought forward to consider how the Town Council could engage with the 50th Anniversary of MK celebrations scheduled for 2016. **The meeting closed at 8.00pm** **The next scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday 12th November 2015 at Centrecom.**	PC