



Central Milton Keynes Town Council
Meeting held on 13th April 2017
At Centrecom, 602 North Row, Central Milton Keynes

Present:

Andrew Thomas (Chair)
Ken Baker
Hilarie Bowman
Andre Brady
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)
Thomas Walker

Apologies: Ramo Erdogan, Linda Inoki, Rebecca Kurth

In attendance: No members of the public were present.

	Minutes	Actions
48/17	Apologies Councillors Erdogan, Kurth and Inoki extended their apologies for the meeting. At this juncture the Chair advised the withdrawal of item 61/17a) for the papers for the meeting.	
49/17	Declarations of Interest There were no additional declarations of interest in respect of items featuring on the agenda.	
50/17	Ratification of Minutes of the Town Council meeting The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council on 9 th March 2017 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed as such by the Chair.	
51/17	Clerks' Report on Outstanding Items The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. Updates to the action sheet were agreed, as follows:- Item 16/019- Closed Item 16/020- Closed Item 16/075- Closed. New item to be logged for September 2017. Item 17/008- Closed Item 17/009- Closed. Detail of this process to be included within the Comms Handbook. Item 17/010- Closed	
52/17	Representations from Public No members of the public were present at the time of this item.	
53/17	Finance Paper The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.	

	A list of debits noted is appended to the minutes.	
54/17	Forward Plan Monitoring Sheet The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.	
55/17	Projects Update The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.	
56/17	MKALC Conference 25 March 2017 The papers, as previously circulated, was noted. Councillor Bowman noted that the conference was of value and, in particular, the contribution from the Town Clerk/Chief Executive, Dunstable Town Council. The Chair noted that a working group had been established, of which Councillor Kurth is a member, to consider how matters discussed at the conference could be taken forward within Milton Keynes. Outcomes are awaited.	
57/17	Strategic Plan- First Draft The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The Town Council noted the draft plan as stated. Further to discussion, it was agreed that a workshop be held for all councillors to attend to enable the plan to be further developed. The Assistant Clerk noted that the papers before the Town Council reflected a portion of the work currently undertaken. It was noted that any plan would need to be deliverable with the current level of precept, with the potential for growth as housing is built. The Assistant Clerk to circulate prospective dates and times for the workshop, which could be in two parts to enable all to contribute.	TW
58/17	Living Wage The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. Councillor Bowman presented her paper, proposing that the Town Council applies to become a Living Wage employer. The Clerk noted that, in his view, the proposal was too early, given that the manner in which the community facility will be operated has yet to be determined. Any restriction to the way in which the Town Council can engage employees/casual staff at this early time could hamstring the work of the working party when seeking to determine the most effective way in which the community facility will operate in due course. After further discussion, the proposal did not receive a seconder, and fell.	

59/17	Plan:MK Consultation The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The Chair noted that the intention to hold three meetings during the remainder of April would not be feasible. The Clerk observed that the need to bring initial findings to the May meeting had created this timeline. He did suggest that the meetings could extend into May, providing that the final version is presented to the 8 June meeting for submission the following day, when the consultation closes. Councillors noted the following:- • Input should only focus on CMK • There needs to be a free-ranging first meeting to which all councillors are invited • The focus should be wider than simply planning matters • All councillors should have the opportunity to contribute It was agreed that: • Councillors Thomas, Bowman and Baker would wish to be involved, in addition to expressions of interest from Councillors Kurth and Inoki. • An initial meeting to be held, inviting all councillors, to enable the scope of the approach. The Assistant Clerk to arrange • There should be a short article in the newsletter asking residents to email their comments with regard to Plan:MK • The sum of £1000 from the Planning budget was agreed to support this exercise, which could include engagement of an 'expert advisor' for a limited number of hours and the Assistant Clerk as External Writer • An update to be produced for the May meeting, with the final response being brought to the June meeting	TW TW
60/17	Co-option The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. The recommendations as outlined were adopted. It was agreed that, following the completion of the process, a review be undertaken to determine a format which could form part of the Town Council's procedures going forward.	PC
61/17	Items for Information The papers, as previously circulated, were noted. a) Item deleted. b) Street Warden Report March 2017 The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. c) Street Warden Time Log Feb/March 2017 The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. d) Asst Clerk/Communications officer Time Log Feb/March 2017 The paper, as previously circulated, was noted. e) Clerk Time Log Feb/March 2017 The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.	

62/17	Items for Next Agenda None The meeting closed at 7.29pm. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday 11th May 2017 at Centrecom Meeting Place, following the Annual Meeting of the Council.	
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Appendix to Minutes of Meeting of CMK Town Council on 13 April 2017

Financial Items

A list of expenses incurred, authorised at the Town Council meeting, is provided below:-

Cheques:-

AH Contracts	£	44.10
MKCCM	£	400.00
David Lock Ass	£11,651.69	
NALC/BALC/MKALC	£	410.83
Caroline Clapson	£	2,052.00
MK Community Foundation	£	506.94
Thomas Walker	£	100.00
Centrecom	£	255.00
CVS payroll	£	233.66

Debit card items:-

Vonage	£	9.88
Vonage	£	8.49
Staples	£	26.94
Modern Tribe	£	65.62
Cartridge Save	£	86.13
Google	£	46.20
Post Office	£	9.85
Post Office	£	7.68
Tsohost	£	4.99
NEST	£	35.13
Solopress	£	21.60
Choice Stationery	£	29.33

Standing order:-

Salaries	£2,266.34
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Chair's Signature.....

Date.....