Agenda Item 26/053

# Central Milton Keynes Town Council
# Meeting held on 12th March 2026
# at Centrecom Meeting Place
# Central Milton Keynes

**Present:**
David Stabler (Chair)
Andre Brady
Minhi Chun
Rebecca Kurth
Paul Cranfield (Clerk)

**Apologies:** Anurag Jain, Peter Lightfoot, Philip Murphy, Andrew Thomas

**Members of the public:** One member of the public was present.

**26/035 – Apologies**

Councillors Jain, Lightfoot, Murphy and Thomas extended their apologies for the meeting.

**26/036 – Declarations of Interest**

None.

**26/037 - Ratification of Minutes of the February 2026 Town Council meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th February 2026 were agreed as a true record and signed as such by the Chair.

**26/038 - Clerk's Report on Outstanding Items**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

Updates to the action sheet were agreed, as follows:
Item 25/25- Mark on to June
Item 26/01- Closed
Item 26/02- Closed
Item 26/03- Mark on to May
Item 26/05- Closed
Item 26/06- Closed

Item 26/07- Closed
Item 26/08- Closed

**26/039- Representations from the Public**

The member of the public noted concerns regarding the Station Square mural and reported that the latest newsletter had not been delivered once again.

**ACTION- Clerk to arrange next meeting with MKDP**

**26/040 - Finance Paper**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

**26/041 – MKCCouncil Forward Plan Monitoring Sheet**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

**26/042 – Budget and 3 year projections**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

The Clerk noted that the average 3-month operating expenditure is currently in the region of £33,000.

**26/043- Newsletter**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

It was agreed that, whilst the current distribution system does not appear to be reaching all residents, there does not appear to be a failsafe way to ensure that this does happen on a regular basis.

Councillors offered to hand distribute to their block going forward, and it was agreed that efforts be made to compile a list of 'reliable people' across the parish to hand deliver to their immediate blocks.

Given the recent issues with mail delivery across Milton Keynes it was agreed that the current process should be continued, with promotion of the newsletter via social media.

**26/044 – Grant application**

The papers, as previously circulated, were noted.

The grant application from Carnival Arts Community Workshop was unanimously approved in sum of £500.

**26/045- 'On the Road'**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted

The proposal was considered by councillors. Concerns were expressed that previous efforts by the Town Council to encourage residents to engage in such activities had not been successful. Additionally, the activities are focussed on 16+ adults.

A councillor noted that she had attended a similar event, which was well organised. The view was expressed that such events work better in suburban parishes where there are already the means to engage residents in activities.

It was agreed that the request should be deferred at this time.

**26/046- Additional Dog Bin**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

After some discussion it was agreed that arrangements will be made to install a dog bin in the vicinity of Secklow Mound. The exact location to be discussed with the Landscaping Team, who are scheduling works in the area in the forthcoming months.

A further paper is to be brought to the Town Council once the location has been agreed and full costings available.

**ACTION- Details of additional dog bin to be brought back to councillors**

**26/047- Allocation of s106 funding**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

It was unanimously agreed that the s106 expenditure notified by MKCCouncil as follows should be ratified:-

Jennie Lee statue £78,000
Sports Central £85,068

**26/048- Parish Assembly**

The paper, as previously circulated, was noted.

The arrangements for the Parish Assembly on Thursday 30th April were ratified.

It was agreed that the flyer should be circulated via social media as well as on the noticeboard and website.

**26/049 – Items for Information**

The papers, as previously circulated, were noted:-

i) Amended licensing request 12th Street burgers
ii) Parishes Advisory Group amended Terms of Reference
iii) CMK Speedwatch data Q 3/2025

**26/050- Items for the April meeting**

Councillors Chun and Kurth tendered their apologies for the next meeting.

The Clerk notified councillors that, due to jury service duties, the April meeting would be clerked by Helen Mortimer.

The meeting closed at 7.05 pm.

**Appendix to Minutes of Meeting of CMK Town Council on 12 March 2026**

**Debit card items:-**

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|---|---|---|
| Royal Mail | £ | 22.00 |
| Adobe | £ | 19.97 |
| Adobe | £ | 125.02 |
| Conversationware | £ | 58.80 |
| Vonage | £ | 10.25 |
| NEST | £ | 95.11 |
| Google | £ | 257.60 |
| Lloyds Bank | £ | 4.25 |
| Sainsbury's | £ | 41.28 |

**Online payments:-**

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|---|---|---|
| Centrecom | £ | 315.00 |
| Warners of Bedford | £ | 114.40 |
| Christine Andrews | £ | 37.00 |
| BALC | £ | 54.00 |
| Royal Mail | £ | 454.48 |
| Timpson | £ | 18.00 |
| MK Pride | £ | 1,000.00 |
| MK Community properties | £ | 42.00 |

**Monthly Standing Orders:-**

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| Salary | £ | 1,979.57 |
| MK Community Properties | £ | 606.90 |
| Samantha Carmichael | £ | 500.0 |

**Chair's Signature…… Date**