

WEST BLETCHLEY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 23RD APRIL 2019 IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 221 WHADDON WAY, WEST BLETCHLEY.

Present: Cllrs Burn, Butson, Cockbaine, Sally Crockett, Gibb, Harvey, Hircock, Layden, Lindop, McKenzie, B Moore, Power, Revell, Sinclair, Thomas & Wales.

In attendance: the Clerk, the Deputy Clerk and 2 members of the public.

FC19/22 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Belcher, Helder, Kearon, N Long, S Long and Phillips.

FC19/23 Declarations of Interest – Cllr Thomas declared an interest in item 9a) (re: parking bays in St Clements Drive), Cllr Gibb declared an interest in item 15 (re: Flowers Walk) and Cllr Layden declared an interest in item 16 (re: Windmill Hill Golf Course).

FC19/24 Councillor Vacancies

a) Church Green Ward (2 vacancies)

Resolved: that Nabeel Nazir and Sajna Rahman be co-opted to fill the vacancies in Church Green Ward.

b) Rivers Ward

It was noted that no requests for an election had been received in response to the notice of the second vacancy in this ward and that, in accordance with the local election rules 2006, this vacancy would also now be filled by co-option.

Resolved: that Shery Delfani be co-opted to fill the vacancy in Rivers Ward.

FC19/25 Public Questions - None

FC19/26 Ward Items

Cllr Revell raised concerns regarding parking on grass verges on the Poets Estate. It was noted that the subject of verge parking was included within the Parking Improvements Projects report that would be considered by Planning & Environment Committee at its next meeting.

FC19/27 Minutes of Meeting of Full Council held on 26th February 2019

The minutes were approved and signed by Cllr Thomas as a correct record of the meeting.

FC19/28 Requests for membership of the Council's Committees

Resolved that:

- i) Cllr Paul Moore's request for membership of Community Committee and Finance & General Purposes Committee be approved,
- ii) Cllr Butson's request for removal from the Salden Chase Sub Committee be approved,
- iii) Cllr Wales' request for membership of the Salden Chase Sub Committee be approved.

FC19/29 Chair's Announcements - None

FC19/30 Minutes of the meetings of the Council's Committees

Resolved that:

- i) the minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on 11th March 2019 be received and the recommendation contained therein be adopted,
- ii) the minutes of the Community Committee meeting held on 18th March 2019 be received,

- iii) the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 1st April 2019 be received,
- iv) the following sums be carried forward into next year's budget as earmarked balances:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Sum</u>
120/4800	Capital Project General	£131,118
120/4802	Capital Parking Projects	£135,000
120/4803	Rickley Park Redevelopment	£500,000
120/4807	Resource Centre	£9,704
120/4809	Community Asset Transfer	£14,919
120/4820	Salden Chase	£5,989
120/4821	Council Properties	£300,000
120/4823	Neighbourhood Plan	£4,939
120/4825	Services for Older People	£14,196
120/4826	Community Safety Grant	£2,000
120/4828	Recycling Campaigns	£2,793
120/4829	Landscape Vehicle Fund	£8,000
120/4830	IT Infrastructure	£3,863
120/4831	Play Area Improvements	£250,000
120/4832	Gritting of Pathways	£1,410
120/4833	Gulley Weed Control	£6,000

FC19/33 Salden Chase

Resolved that:

- i) the minutes of the Sub Committee meeting held on 11th April 2019 be received,
- ii) the Clerk be authorised to submit (with Newton Longville Parish Council) a joint formal challenge to Milton Keynes Council's handling of the South West Milton Keynes application,
- iii) an additional sum of £10,000 be allocated to the Salden Chase Designated project Fund.

FC19/32 Provision of Additional Traveller Sites in MK

Resolved: that MKC's response be noted.

FC19/33 Wilton Hall

Resolved: that the report of the Clerk be received.

FC19/34 Councillor Allowances

Resolved that:

- i) Councillor Remuneration for 2019/20 be increased to £1,500 for the Chair of the Council and £750 for other Elected Members,
- ii) the updated Scheme of Councillor Allowances be adopted with the inclusion of the agreed remuneration rates.

FC19/35 Bank Account Signatories

Resolved:

- i) to authorise the addition of Liam Costello, the Council's Deputy Clerk, as an authorised signatory on the Council's bank accounts with Nat West and Santander,
- ii) that the authorised signatories in the current mandate, for all accounts with Nat West and Santander, be changed in accordance with the above instructions and the current mandate continue as amended.

FC19/36 Community Asset Transfer

Resolved: that the Council's officers be authorised to submit a request to MKC for the CAT transfer of the designated Local Green Space at Flowers Walk.

FC19/37 Windmill Hill Golf Course

Resolved: that representatives of MKC and Evolve be invited to attend a meeting of the Council to provide a presentation and opportunity for discussion and comment on proposals for development at Windmill Hill Golf Course.

FC19/38 Local Elections

Resolved: that the request for this Council to host hustings for the forthcoming elections be declined.

FC19/39 Matters relating to External Bodies

Resolved: that the reports be received.

FC19/40 Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

FC19/41 Insurance Claim

Resolved: that the Clerk be authorised to provide instruction to the Council's insurers in respect of the current claim.

FC19/42 Date of Next Meeting

Members noted that the **Annual General Meeting** would be held on **Tuesday 7th May 2019** at **7.30pm** and the next meeting of Full Council would be held at **7.30pm** on **Tuesday 25th June 2019** at **221 Whaddon Way, West Bletchley**.

Chair of Council