

WEST BLETCHLEY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2015 IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 221 WHADDON WAY, WEST BLETCHLEY.

Present: Cllrs Belcher, Bowler, Butson, Cockbaine, Crockett, Gibb, Harvey, Helder, Hircock, Kearon, Kelley, Long, Moffatt, John Phillips, Tony Phillips, Power, Rahman, Reddy Sinclair and Thomas.

In attendance: the Clerk, the Head of Council Services and 16 members of the public.

FC15/04 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Campbell, Turnbull and Vaidyanathan.

FC15/05 Declarations of Interest – None

FC15/06 Public Questions

Several members of the public raised questions and concerns regarding the proposed development on land adjacent to West Bletchley and asked for this Council's support in objecting to the application for development.

FC15/07 Ward Items – None

FC15/08 Minutes of Meetings of Full Council held 15th December 2014 & 26th January 2015

The minutes were approved and signed by Cllr Belcher as correct records of the meetings.

FC15/09 Requests for membership of the Council Committees

Resolved: that Cllr Turnbull's request for removal from Planning & Environment Committee be approved.

FC15/10 Chair's Announcements

The Chair advised of the appointment of the following new members of staff: Jade Whitaker (Trainee Community Development Worker), Martin Blore (Estates Caretaker) and Corrina Milner (Engagement and Events Officer).

FC15/11 Minutes of the meetings of the Council's Committees

Resolved that:

- i) the minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meetings held on 12th & 20th January 2015 be received,
- ii) the minutes of the Community Committee meeting held on 19th January 2015 be received,
- iii) the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 2nd February 2015 be received,
- iv) the Risk Management Strategy and Governance & Management Risk Assessments be approved,
- v) this Council approves the Scope of Internal Audit and appointment of Auditing Solutions Ltd to carry out the Council's internal audits for 2015/16 as recommended at Minute no. FGP15/05c),
- vi) the minutes of the Salden Chase Sub Committee meeting held on 16th February 2015 be received.

FC15/12 Proposed Development on land adjacent to West Bletchley

15/00314/AOP - Outline planning application with all matters reserved except for access for a mixed-use sustainable urban extension on land to the south west of Milton Keynes to provide up to 1,885 mixed tenure dwellings; an employment area (B1); a neighbourhood centre including retail (A1/A2/A3/A4/A5), community (D1/D2) and residential (C3) uses; a primary and a secondary school; a grid road reserve; multi-functional green space; a sustainable drainage system; and associated access, drainage and public transport infrastructure, Land

South Of the A421 West Of Far Bletchley North of the East West Rail Link And East Of Whaddon Road Newton Longville

Resolved: that this Council categorically **objects** to the planning application for development on land adjacent to West Bletchley and the Clerk be authorised to produce and submit this Council's comments based on the advice of the Council's Planning and Traffic Consultants, taking account, where appropriate, of the points raised by the Salden Chase Sub Committee.

FC15/13 Planning Applications

13.1: 15/00160/FUL - Single storey flat roof extension measuring 6 metres from the rear wall of the existing dwelling with a maximum ridge height of 3.8 metres and maximum eaves height of 2.4 metres (re-submission 14/02462/FUL), 61 Cottingham Grove (**It was noted that this application was a "permitted development" and did not require planning permission**)

13.2: 15/00200/TCA - Notification of intention to carry out the following tree work: crownlift 4 x Willow trees by 4m, crownlift 3 x Cheery trees by 4m, remove epicormic growth of 4 x Hawthorn trees, crownlift 1 x Lime tree by 4m and remove epicormic growth, crownlift 2 x Lime trees by 4m, crownlift 1 x Poplar tree by 4m and remove epicormic growth from 1 x Birch tree, Rectory Gardens, Church Green Road (**This Council had no objection to this application**)

FC15/14 Items relating to new Financial Regulations

Resolved: that the schedule of standing orders and direct debits be approved, in accordance with Financial Regulations 6.7 and 6.8.

FC15/15 Community Asset Transfer

Resolved that:

- i) the report be received,
- ii) Milton Keynes Council's Leader and local ward councillors be asked to review the CAT Project Board's decision in respect of this Council's proposals regarding the transfer of Bletchley Youth Centre.

FC15/16 Matters relating to External Bodies

Resolved that:

- i) the reports be received,
- ii) the Clerk circulate the My MK and Finance Briefing presentations from the last meeting of the Parish Forum.

FC15/17 Annual Parish Meeting

Resolved: that arrangements for this year's Annual Parish Meeting be the same as for 2014.

FC15/18 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.

FC15/19 Staffing Matters

Resolved: that the schedule of staff salary points be approved.

FC15/20 Date of Next Meeting

Members noted that the next meeting of the Full Council would be held at **7.30pm on Monday 27th April 2015 at 221 Whaddon Way, West Bletchley.**