

WEST BLETCHLEY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2015 IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 221 WHADDON WAY, WEST BLETCHLEY.

Present: Cllrs Belcher, Butson, Campbell, Cockbaine, Crockett, Gibb, Harvey, Helder, Hircock, Horan, Kearon, John Phillips, Tony Phillips, Power, Reddy, Revell, Sinclair, Thomas, Turnbull, Vaidyanathan and Wales.

In attendance: the Clerk, the Head of Council Services and 4 members of the public

FC15/103 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Kelley, Legg, Long and Pancheri.

FC15/104 Declarations of Interest - None

FC15/105 Public Questions

Mrs Burke of 22 Brooke Close presented information regarding her application for planning permission (ref:**15/02888/FUL**).

Mr Burke, the owner of Wellington Place, presented information regarding the inclusion of this site in the "Emerging Preferred Options for the Site Allocation Plan" consultation (re: agenda item 15).

FC15/106 Ward Items – None

FC15/107 Minutes of Meeting of Full Council held on 28th October 2015

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

FC15/108 Requests for membership of the Council Committees

Resolved that:

- i) Cllr Horan's request for membership of Community Committee be approved,
- ii) Cllr Wales' request for membership of Community Committee and the Salden Chase Sub Committee be approved.

FC15/109 Chair's Announcements

The Chair advised of events that she had attended since the last meeting. This had included the Remembrance Day Parade and Service and "Christmas at Melrose". She had also attended both the BMKALC and MKALC AGMs, the NALC Larger Local Councils Conference, MK Parish Advisory Group and a MKC briefing on Plan:MK.

FC15/110 Minutes of the meetings of the Council's Committees

Resolved that:

- i) the minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meetings held on 9th November 2015 be received,
- ii) the minutes of the Community Committee meeting held on 16th November 2015 be received,
- iii) the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 30th November 2015 be received.

FC15/110 Planning Applications –

110.1: 15/02888/FUL – Construction of a new dwelling, 22 Brooke Close (This Council had no objection to this application)

110.2: 15/02904/FUL – New single storey dwelling, Land to the Rear of 125 Shenley Road, (This Council objected to this application as it considered that the proposal would be an overdevelopment of this site)

110.3: 15/02914/ADV – Advertisement consent to display 6 externally illuminated fascia signs, 12 Drew Court (This Council had no objection to this application)

FC15/111 Budget & Precept for 2016/17

Resolved that:

- i) the report of the Clerk be received,
- ii) the budget estimates and revised financial plan, as contained in the report, be approved,
- iii) the precept for 2016/17 be set at **£821,017**,
- iv) a copy of the slides of the MKC budget and medium term outlook presentation be circulated to all Councillors for information,
- v) a report be submitted to the next meeting of Full Council providing information to assist Members in considering arrangements for reviewing its priorities in respect of the future provision of local services.

FC15/112 Council Insurance

Resolved that:

- i) the report of the Head of Council Services be received,
- ii) the Council's officers be authorised to agree a further 3 year contract for insurance with Zurich Insurance.

FC15/113 Sustainable Environment Policy

Resolved: that the policy be adopted.

FC15/114 Annual Staff Appraisals

Resolved: that the report of the Clerk be received and the proposed arrangements for this year's staff appraisals be approved.

FC15/115 Community Asset Transfer

Resolved: that this Council notes that there has been no significant progress in relation to the proposed Community Asset Transfers since the last meeting.

FC15/116 Consultations

Emerging Preferred Options for the Site Allocation Plan

Resolved: that this Council has no objections to the inclusion of Wellington Place car park as a preferred option for the Site Allocation Plan.

FC15/117 Matters relating to External Bodies

Resolved that:

- i) the reports be received,
- ii) the following question be submitted for the consideration of the Parishes Forum: "How does Milton Keynes Council's status as a co-operative council impact on parishes and does it have a policy for co-operative working with parish councils?"

FC15/118 Exclusion of Press & 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.

FC15/119 Frank Moran Centre

Resolved: that the report of the Clerk be received.

FC15/120 Date of Next Meeting

Members noted that the next meeting of the Full Council would be held at **7.30pm on Monday 22nd February 2016 at 221 Whaddon Way, West Bletchley.**