

COUNCIL DECISIONS / ACTIONS - 10 JUNE 2015

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER	SUBJECT AND DECISION	DECISION REFERRAL	PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTION
1(b).	<p>Minutes</p> <p>That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 20 May 2015 be approved and signed by the Mayor as a correct record.</p>		Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager
1(c)	<p>Disclosures of Interest</p> <p>(a) Councillors Brackenbury, Crooks, Gowans and White disclosed personal interests in Item 5(b)(i), European Union Referendum, as their spouses were non-British European Citizens.</p> <p>(b) Councillors Clancy and P Williams disclosed personal interests in Item 5(b)(iii), National Health Service, as employees of the National Health Service.</p>		
2(b)	<p>Questions from Members of the Public</p> <p>(a) Response from Councillor O'Neill (Cabinet member for Housing and Regeneration) to be sent to Mr E Bobey</p> <p>(b) Response from Councillor Marland (Leader of the Council) to be sent to Ms M Osborne and circulated to all councillors.</p>		Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager
4(a)	<p>Constitution Commission – 27 April 2015</p> <p>(i) Local Authority (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2015</p> <p>That the Officer Employment Procedure Rules be amended, as set out in the bold type on the attached Annex, in accordance with the Local Authority (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2015</p>		Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager

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4(a) (cont)	(ii) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests That Cabinet Procedure Rule 3.4, be deleted in accordance with legal advice received.		Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager
4(a) (cont)	(iii) Issues arising from the Taxi Licensing Audit Report That Article 8 (Regulatory and Other Committees) of the Constitution be amended by the addition of the following clause: “8.2 All members of the Development Control, Licensing and Regulatory Committees must have received adequate training in the opinion of the Monitoring Officer, before being able to participate in meetings of those committees.”		Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager
	(iv) Protocol on Member/Officer Relations That the wording of Paragraph 5.7 of the Protocol on Member/Officer Relations, in relation to the titles and whether the paragraph reflects a definition in legislation, be revised to read as follows: “Councillors will be involved in individual staffing matters if they are a member of a Committee or Panel set up for that purpose. The Officer Employment Procedure Rules provide for Panels of councillors for Head of Paid Service, Chief Officers, Service Directors and Assistant Directors appointments, and for disciplinary and grievance processes relating to the Head of Paid Service, Chief Officers, Service Directors and Assistant Directors. There are Appeals Committees which hear appeals by individual members of staff against grading decisions, relegation and dismissal.		Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager

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4(a) (cont)	Note: Head of Paid Service, Chief Officers, Service Directors and Assistant Directors currently refer to the Council's Chief Executive, Corporate Directors, Service Directors and Assistant Directors."		
4(b)	<p>Cabinet – 8 June 2015</p> <p>(i) Minerals Local Plan – Draft Plan for Publication and Submission to the Secretary of State</p> <p>That the referral from the Cabinet be deferred to the meeting of the Council on 15 July 2015</p>		Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager
	<p>(ii) Central Milton Keynes Business Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>1. That the CMK Business Neighbourhood Plan be 'made' pursuant to the provisions of section 38(A)(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.</p> <p>2. That the decision document and the CMK Business Neighbourhood Plan be published on the Council's website and in other manners, to bring them to the attention of people who live, work or carry out business in the neighbourhood area.</p>		Senior Planning Officer
5(a)	<p>Councillor's Questions</p> <p>1. 'Small Business' Implications to be added to executive decision making reports.</p>	-	Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager / Director of Strategy

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5(a) (cont)	<p>2. Councillor Legg to work with officer colleagues to review the intervention criteria for damaged pavements and potholes.</p> <p>3. The possibility being able to apply for a concessionary bus pass on line be addressed as part of the ongoing review of online services</p> <p>Councillor Buckley to supply Councillor Marland with details of the case quoted in order that he may look into the particular circumstances.</p> <p>4. Councillor V Hopkins to supply Councillor Clifton with details of her concerns around the slow implementation of the Walton Road, Wavendon traffic calming scheme to allow him to investigate the reasons for apparent lack of progress.</p> <p>5. Councillor Middleton to liaise with officers regarding publicity around the relationship between the Bletchley Railway Station 'Fixing the Links' project and East/West Rail.</p> <p>6. Councillor Clifton to ask officer colleagues to facilitate a meeting between Bradwell Ward Councillors and Arriva to discuss the reduction in bus services serving two sheltered housing schemes.</p> <p>7. Councillor Small to be provided with a detailed written response which covers</p> <p>(a) Why a community school cannot hold a waiting list;</p> <p>(b) The process for the in-year transfer of primary pupils; and</p> <p>(c) The finds from a review of the issue by the Children & Young People Select Committee.</p>		<p>Service Director (Public Realm)</p> <p>Head of Customer Service / Councillors Betteley</p> <p>Councillor Buckley</p> <p>Councillor V Hopkins / Councillor Clifton / Service Director (Planning and Transport)</p> <p>Councillor Middleton / Service Director (Planning and Transport)</p> <p>Service Director (Planning and Transport)</p> <p>Corporate Director - People</p>

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5(a) (cont)	<p>Officer colleagues to review the information available on the Web-Site in this respect</p> <p>A meeting to be facilitated for concerned councillors with officer colleagues.</p> <p>Councillor Small to refer any specific cases to officer colleagues for review.</p> <p>8. Councillor Middleton to facilitate a meeting with the 'Big Local Conniburrow Residents Group' to discuss available land for housing development.</p> <p>9. Councillor Exon to supply Councillor Legg with details of the Parish Partnership Fund project to provide additional parking spaces at Heelands to allow him to provide an up date why there appears to be an apparent lack of progress.</p> <p>10. Councillor Legg to provide Councillor Bint with a written response as to whether there has been any change to the design code for street and highway direction signs and if not, what measures will be put in place to ensure that the Code is followed and any signs where they do not conform to the Code replaced, together with a progress report on replacing / renewing Grid Road signs.</p> <p>11. Councillor Dransfield to be provided with details of measures being taken to ensure that licensed taxi vehicles were in a safe condition.</p>		<p>Corporate Director - People</p> <p>Councillor Small</p> <p>Councillor Middleton / Service Director (Finance and Resources)</p> <p>Councillor Exon / Councillor Legg / Service Director (Public Realm)</p> <p>Councillor Legg / Service Director (Public Realm)</p> <p>Service Director (Public Realm)</p>

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5(b)(i)	<p>European Union Referendum</p> <p>That this Council believes that the franchise for the planned European Union referendum should include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. all young people over the age of 16; and 2. all EU citizens resident in the UK who are entitled to vote in local but not general elections. 	-	Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager
5(b)(ii)	<p>Increased Funding for Local Roads</p> <p>That this Council, aware that traffic on local roads is projected to rise by 42% over the next 25 years, supports the Local Government Association's proposals that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the ring fencing which divides transport spending into some 20 different funding streams should be abolished; 2. funding allocations should be made on a five year basis so that councils can plan ahead; 3. the Government should inject an extra £1 billion a year to address the pothole backlog by investing the equivalent of 2p per litre from existing fuel duty to fix our local roads; 4. the Bus Services Operators' Grant and other bus subsidies should be entirely transferred to councils so that concessionary bus fares can be fully funded; and 5. principal councils in England should be devolved the same powers as in London to reduce disruption, emissions and congestion. 	-	Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager

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5(b)(iii)	<p>National Health Service</p> <p>That this Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. welcomes the statements made in the Queen’s Speech to Parliament on 27 May 2015 about securing the future of the NHS by implementing the NHS's own 5 year plan, including better integration between health and social care, better access to GPs including evening and weekend working and improved waiting times for mental health services, alongside increases to the NHS budget and 7 day NHS working; 2. is aware that one person in four experiences a mental health problem at some stage during their life and believes that there should be parity of treatment between mental and physical health within the NHS including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) equivalent access and waiting time standards; (b) the introduction of a mental health crisis service in all Accident and Emergency Departments; (c) changes to the way in which mental health services are funded including the removal of block contracts; and (d) more resources to be made available for research into the causes and best treatment of mental health. 3. asks the Health and Adult Social Care Committee and the Milton Keynes Health and Well Being Board to further consider how these issues can be best progressed within Milton Keynes; 		Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager

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5(b)(iii) (cont)	<p>4. notes the importance that this Council places on improving access to health care in Milton Keynes and the successful efforts made by health professionals, councillors, and MPs Iain Stewart and Mark Lancaster to increase funding for MK hospital;</p> <p>5. notes that successful lobbying and joint working between parish councils, local councillors, MPs and the Clinical Commissioning Group has led to the recent announcement of additional funding in principle for enhanced GP provision in Milton Keynes including at Willen and Brooklands, recognises that there is still much work to do before these plans can be put in place, and commits to support the Joint Health and Well Being Strategic Plan agreed in March so that this additional provision can be effectively delivered;</p> <p>6. notes, however, that there still remain significant problem areas where there is insufficient capacity among local surgeries to serve the local population and that the plans unveiled so far do not address this. This Council therefore calls upon the Leader of the Council to make representations, in particular, about the shortage of capacity accessible to residents</p> <p>(a) along the V10 including Monkston, Monkston Park, Kents Hill and Walton, and to press for the enlargement of Milton Keynes Village and Walnut Tree surgeries to cover this area; and</p> <p>(b) in the Western Flank currently served by Westcroft Surgery;</p> <p>7. requests the Leader of the Council, in his new position as Chair of the Health and Well Being Board, to ensure that the opportunities created by announcements in the Queen’s Speech and successful examples of joint working are taken forward to create a better health and social care service for Milton Keynes; and</p>		<p>Leader of the Council / Director of Public Health</p> <p>Leader of the Council</p>

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5(b)(iii) (cont)	8. furthermore requests the Leader to report back to Council in October what improvements are proposed and how these will be implemented within available budgets.		Leader of the Council / Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager
6.	Leader's Executive Scheme of Delegation The Council received the Leader's Executive Scheme of Delegation.	-	Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager