# M ILTON KEYNES PARISH FORUM

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 7.00-9.00pm Council Chambers, Civic Offices, Milton Keynes

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Council	Name
Chair	Cllr Liz Gifford
Bradwell PC	Cllr Leon Gilpin
	Cllr Jenny Jones
Campbell Park PC	Cllr Darron Kendrick
	Cllr T Uranta
Castlethorpe PC	Cllr Phil Ayles
Clifton Reynes & Newton Blossomville PC	Cllr David Swanson
Great Linford PC	Cllr David Stabler
Haversham Cum Little Linford PC	Cllr Carol Langham
Lavendon PC	Cllr David Tomkins
	Cllr Mick Rutherford
New Bradwell PC	Cllr Alan Francis
Newport Pagnell TC	Cllr Phil Winsor
Old Woughton PC	Cllr Andrew Humphrie
Ravenstone PC	Cllr Helen Anderson
Shenley Brook End PC	Cllr Kevin Geaney
•	Cllr Michael Cato
	Cllr Jean Nicholas
Shenley Church End	Cllr Dave Tunney
•	Cllr Chrissie Ashby
Simpson & Ashland PC	Cllr Carole Baume
•	Cllr Geoff Parker
Stantonbury PC	Cllr Richard Wilde
Stony Stratford TC	Cllr Mick Allsopp
Walton CC	Cllr Amanda Taylor
West Bletchley Council	Cllr Ernie Thomas
Weston Underwood PC	Cllr Brian Stainton
Noburn Sands TC	Cllr Dr Janet Rae
Wolverton & Greenleys PC	Cllr Joanne Fensome
Woughton CC	Cllr Sue Smith
	Cllr Alan Williamson
	Cllr Kevin Wilson
BMKALC Vice President	Cllr Isabella Fraser
Guest speaker	Anna Oguntola
Officers	-
Geoff Snelson	MKC Director of Strategy and Futures
Brett Leahy	MKC Head of Development Management
Tim Hannam	MKC Corporate Director - Resources
Heather Baker	Business & Liaison Officer

Apologies:

Campbell Park Parish Council	Cllr Terry Baines
Central Milton Keynes TC	Representatives
Loughton & Great Holm PC	Cllr Andy Sargent

	Cllr Peter Ballantyne
Duncan Sharkey	MKC Corporate Director Place
Tom Blackburne-Maze	MKC Service Director- Public Realm
Fiona Robinson	MKC Futures Programme Manager

## 2 Minutes of Last Meeting

2a Minutes from the 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016 were agreed.

Apologies from Cllrs Wilson Woughton CC and Cato Shenley Church End & Tattenhoe PC received for September and not recorded.

#### u3 Vice Chair Nominations

**3a** A secret ballot was taken for Vice Chair

The 2 candidates were Cllr Jean Nicholas – Shenley Church End & Tattenhoe PC Cllr Tom Fraser – Campbell Park PC

Cllr Jean Nicholas was elected as Vice Chair

Thanks were given to both candidates.

## 4 MK Futures 2050

- 4a Geoff Snelson provided an update of the MK Futures 2050 programme
  - 11<sup>th</sup> October Cabinet approved initial programme plan for MK Futures
  - Cabinet report identified funding requirements across the programme
  - Partner contributions and other funding opportunities
  - Dedicated staff resources
    - Geoff Snelson Director of Strategy and Futures
    - Fiona Robinson MK Futures2050 Programme Manager

# Project One – Growth and Strategy

- Hub of the Cambridge Milton Keynes Oxford Corridor
  - Corridors potential as a single knowledge intensive cluster
  - Opportunity for MK to play a pivotal role in the arc and broker a new deal with government
  - Major opportunity to work more closely with Oxford and Cambridge and particularly with adjacent Councils to attract investment and promote inclusive growth
  - Focus on housing delivery and potential tariff-type mechanism
  - Strategy for 2050 to be prepared alongside Plan:MK

# Project Two - MK:IT

- Realise long held ambition for an international university
- New model to demonstrate how cities, businesses and higher education can work together
- Focus on research, teaching and practice that provide realistic solutions to problems facing fat growing cities
- Top class education for local students and attract students from elsewhere to stimulate the local economy and help drive Renaissance CMK

## Project Three – Learning 2050

- How to best enhance provision in the city
- Step change in collaboration between schools FE and HE
- o Building on best practice in MK to make all schools family focused
- Milton Keynes promise every young person leaving school who wishes to study at university or a vocational equivalent will be guaranteed an opportunity to do so

# Project Four - Smart, Shared, Sustainable Mobility

- o Ensure that everyone is able to move freely and on demand
- Harnessing the grid roads and redways
- Strategic investment
  - City wide travel integration systems
  - Low emission shared transport provision
  - Transformative new mobility systems

### Project Five – Renaissance CMK

- Create an even stronger city centre fit for 21<sup>st</sup> century and a foundation for strengthening investor confidence
- Strengthen CMK's role as a regional commercial centre
- o Investment programme for how to realise aspirations
- International design competition

Project Six – The Creative and cultured City

- o Establish cultural offering and assets
- o Harness the creative energy and motivation of Milton Keynes
- International festival of creative urban living

A stakeholder Engagement strategy will be prepared to set out the methods for involving the community, partners and other stakeholders across the programme

- Strong commitment to engagement
- Also a greater social media presence
- Trying to get different people engaged and involved
- **4b** Q. New thinking about Cranfield could include much more about the airport key point wonderful opportunity.
  - A. NIC recommended look at all places along corridor to see how we can make opportunities. Cranfield preparing a response on how they can connect. Bring international companies to MK
  - Q. Pleased with what has been said but how much is the budget for Futures 2050 programme
  - A. University £200,000 from MK tariff, Strategy £150,000 detailed studies, Renaissance CMK £50,000 matched, Mobility £50 75,000. Officer time business as usual budgeted tightly.
  - Q. Need long term planning project better long term planning enhance business rates modest cost
  - A. Appreciate comes at a time of tough choices.

## 5 Campbell Park Initiative – Forced Marriage & Honour Killings

- **5a** Campbell Park are tackling the bigger problems of
  - Anti-social behaviour
  - Radicalisation
  - Forced marriage
  - Honour killings
  - FGM

Anna Oguntola who will become a new Councillor at Campbell Park told of a friend she knew when growing up who was forced down by her parents and cut sexually after that she changed was bitter and abused.

- Just think of the pain that children go through.
- In the UK alone over 100,000 procedures are carried out on young girls.

Forced marriage and honour killings

- Girls run away from home and get disowned rather than get married
- 87,000 forced marriages each year
- Asian women are 3 times more likely to commit suicide
- 6% Men think honour killings are justified
- UK think it is a cultural problem
- Communities tend to stick together and not mix

School is the best place to reach different cultures / children because they have to go to school

CPPC is providing training next year for Parish Councils about this subject. This is including teachers and head teachers

• If a child is at risk put it first.

Parishes are in a good position to deal with these sort of area's

If you are interested in being kept informed let CPPC know so they can help in any way.

# 6 Scheme of delegation and Speaking Rights at DCC

**6a** Brett Leahy gave presentation – see attached

Proposed amendments to the Scheme of Delegation and Constitution survey available via

http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/consultations/385

Survey in no way perfect – advantages and disadvantages Survey also invites comments and closes 31<sup>st</sup> December

**6b** Q. Have you received lots of feedback?

A. received open consultations encourage survey to make comments

Q. MKALC tried to understand issues did not recognise the figures. Key issues MKC planning wants input from Parish Councils. If Parish wants to object – relative minor issue - this is for consideration by an officer. Serious objections - have right in own name to go to DCP and speak. There are other comments re timing etc. that seem to have been dismissed. The MKALC points are not going to be considered unless we do the survey?

A. No comments have been dismissed we have to have meaningful relationships. Consultation was set by elected Members; ask all parishes to provide comments to influence.

Issue clear – open consultation when everyone not aware of issues. Planning Authority under great scrutiny. Members say to go to all parties so cannot give extra favours to 1 party. Comments will go to Members. PAS review independent body merely fulfilling requirement of cabinet.

Q Convinced there will be a deal otherwise it will ruin relationships with Parishes and MKC.

Q There is a process in licensing – representations made not limited to time. This model is already in MKC please talk to regulatory Services need a change of approach?

A. I will take that on board and look into

Q Survey does not address issue number of speakers not asked relevant questions. Parishes want to ask questions of officers, total time shared out for opposing application. Why consider Ward Councillors 28 day but Parishes only 21 days?

A. Critical that all parties have win/win with buy in from Parishes who have a vital role the intent is to get it right.

Acknowledge speaker rights raised

Statutory consultation we have no control set by law. Can't alter Members 28 days Parishes are consultees which get 21 days.

Q. What about relationship between parishes and MKC. MKALC needs to be presented to the committee. Appreciate done survey etc. but this would be constructive. Support principle of not so many at DCC. Need to configure rules. Same comments from Parishes planning are meant as being useful to officer. Informal discussion should take place.

A. 21 days to send comments in if a few days late officer can accept.

Chair summary: important that the Committee gets the MKALC submission; support for focussing responses and input on significant applications; more discussion needed on speaker rights; note informal odd days' grace for comments on individual applications.

#### 7 Budget

- 7a Tim Hannam gave presentation please see attached.
  - Aware having hard times
  - Real issue increase on demand of services
  - Reduce some services continue for at least the next 4 years
  - Some decisions on increasing income

- Revenue Support Grant is going to disappear in next few years
- MKC is not a stand still council need to meet critical demands
- Want to work with communities
- Relationship between Parish Councils and MKC is important
- Commitment to Parishes is growing need to go through the choppy waters together
- Q. Exemplary that MKC is still giving the grant at the level it is. There are grant cuts proposed to 12 Parish Councils, we would like every Parish Council to be protected. Devolved landscaping- problem with cuts and discussions are needed there are real pressures on Parish Councils?

A. Landscaping Tom Blackburne-Maze is talking with Parishes Councils; the long term viable future will be difficult for any Authority. Start cutting children / adult social care.

Q. Housing targets will they be smarter and more sustainable – should we stop growing?

A. Growth numbers – strongly promoting growth. (Note from Chair – all planning authorities now are presented from government with housing targets)

Q. it costs thousands on legal services could we have amical discussion providing best value. What is being put in place for reducing legal services?

A. Do best to minimise legal services and relatively low compared to other councils.

Q. Newport Pagnell would like to take on CAT process and take on things from MKC agreed costs with legal. CAT process could be a lot quicker.

A. Will take points on board

# **8** Update on Parishes Conference

Conference will be on 25<sup>th</sup> March at The Christian centre Oldbrook.

#### 9 Announcements

Review protocol after the Conference

CPPC asked if Parishes would consider support for the night shelter to best help the homeless from within your area.

The Buszy is being used as a nightly reception point between 17.15 and 19.15, with clients taken to various MK churches for overnight accommodation

Winter night Shelter Milton Keynes (WNSMK)

The Ridgeway Centre

Featherstone Road

Wolverton Mill South

Milton Keynes

MK12 5TH

Charity reference No 1149480, Registered Company No. 08232340

Thank you

#### 11 Date/Venue for Next Meeting

March – The forum decided that the March forum would be replaced by the Conference being held on 25<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017 7pm - Council Chamber