

Minutes of the meeting of CENTRAL MILTON KEYNES PARTNERSHIP held on THURSDAY 2 MARCH 2000 at 6.15 pm

Present:	Robert de Grey (Chair) -	Milton Keynes Theatre and Gallery Company
	Councillor Bristow -	Milton Keynes Council
	Councillor Lloyd -	Milton Keynes Council
	Councillor Mabbutt -	Milton Keynes Council
	Councillor O'Sullivan -	Milton Keynes Council
	Isabella Fraser -	Campbell Park Parish Council
	Amanda Balsom -	DTZ Debenham Thorpe
	Mike Davidson -	SMC
	David Moore -	Milton Keynes Christian Council
	Robert Nix -	Milton Keynes Neighbourhood Council
	Maggie Porteus -	Large Employers Forum
	John Best -	Milton Keynes Council
	Jill Stansfield -	Milton Keynes Council
	Andrew Armes -	Milton Keynes Council
	Jonathan Shaw -	Milton Keynes Council
	Neil Coolman -	Thames Valley Police
	Cheryl Montgomery -	English Partnerships
	John Keane -	CMKSA
	Mike Geddes -	Milton Keynes Economic Partnership
	Ron West -	Wolverton Partnership
	Brian Hunt -	Newport Pagnell Partnership

Apologies: Councillors E Henderson, I Henderson and Morsley, Graham Bashford (Silverlink Trains), Derek Newland (MK Private Hire Drivers)

ACTION**1.0 MEMBERSHIP OF THE PARTNERSHIP****ALL**

The Partnership noted the current up-to-date list of Partners. It was noted that Stuart Turner was the new nomination from MK Forum and Councillor I Henderson had replaced Councillor Pugh.

2.0 MINUTES

The Partnership received the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 1999.

3.0 MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Partnership received the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 2 February 2000 and discussed the role of the Committee. The Chair stated that he hoped that the Committee would integrate the work of the Working-Groups. Some Members of the Partnership expressed concern about the overlap of responsibilities between this Group and the Executive Committee.

4.0 CAMPBELL PARK WORKING GROUP

The Partnership noted that although the Campbell Park Working Group had not met recently, English Partnerships were meeting with stakeholders on 20 March to discuss the consultants work. A meeting of the Campbell Park Working Group would be convened soon afterwards. It was hoped that the first sites in Campbell Park would be on the market by Summer 2000. A programme of activity would be available to members of the Partnership after the meeting on 20 March.

5.0 MIDSUMMER BOULEVARD WORKING GROUP

The Partnership received an update on the work of the Midsummer Boulevard Working Group, and noted that the overview project would be focused to blocks D and E (Midsummer Boulevard). The Partnership noted that a work programme was now clearly emerging from the work of the Council and English Partnerships and it was agreed that the Chair should represent the Partnership in stakeholder meetings and similar projects in future. There was also a role for the Executive in involving the various stakeholders they represent.

The Partnership noted the Transport Strategy Summary for Midsummer Boulevard following the Transport Seminar held in June 1999.

6.0 TRANSPORT AND PARKING WORKING GROUP

The Partnership received an update on the work of the Transport and Parking Working Group and noted that the group had analysed the success of Park and Ride at Christmas 1999 and that the first permanent Park and Ride site would be at Junction 14. There was a draft consultation paper on car parking charging with the possibility of a smart card system. The Partnership expressed concern about the extension of pay spaces impacting on parking in surrounding residential areas.

The Partnership noted that the Executive Committee had asked the Group to look at more strategic issues.

7.0 TOWN CENTRE MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

The Partnership received an update on the work of the Town Centre Management Group and noted that since the Group had been re-established in November 1999, it had re-affirmed the need for co-ordinated town centre management. The Group was seeking funding from a range of organisations. The Group had joined the Association of Town Centre Managers who had experience in how to secure funding. The group was also looking at other towns and had undertaken a site visit to Coventry and was planning to visit Reading. The Group was looking to develop a business plan in the near future. The Partnership expressed the need to consider public order and safety issues.

The Group had put a brief together on re-branding Milton Keynes once all the new facilities including Xscape were open. Jeff Klein had been selected as consultants to put together a campaign.

8.0 CULTURAL PLANNING WORKING GROUP

The Partnership received an update on the work of the Cultural Planning Group and noted that the Group were looking to influence every area of the work of the Partnership. The Working Group had received a presentation from Eileen Adams on Young People's Participation in Environmental Planning. The next meeting would be looking at public art and the urban value production value matrix.

9.0 RESOURCING THE PARTNERSHIP

The Partnership noted that funding for the Town Centre Manager and Administrative Support were still outstanding. It was agreed that the Executive Committee should look at this matter.

10.0 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Partnership agreed the following dates for future meetings :

15 June 2000 at 6.15pm
14 September 2000 at 6.15pm
16 November 2000 at 6.15pm
1 March 2001 at 6.15pm

THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 8.02 PM