

COUNCIL DECISIONS / ACTIONS

21 JUNE 2017

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 17 May 2017 be approved and signed by the Mayor as a correct record, subject to Alderman Bristow's Apologies, rather than his attendance, being recorded.</p>	-	Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager
1(c)	<p>Disclosure of Interests</p> <p>Councillor A Geary disclosed a personal and prejudicial interest in respect of Item 4(c) (Minerals Local Plan) as he owned land within the area covered by the Plan and previously had business dealings with other land owners within the Plan area.</p>	-	-
1(d)	<p>Announcements</p> <p>Mrs Hilary Gwyneth-Terry to be invited to attend the September meeting of the Council.</p>	-	Personal Assistant to the Mayor
2(b)	<p>Questions from Members of the Public</p> <p>Councillor Legg to provide Mr M Galloway with a written response as to why the Council has previously not had a 'Validation List for Planning Applications' by Friday.</p>	-	Head of Development Management / Councillor Legg
4(a)	<p>Corporate Parenting Panel Annual Report</p> <p>The Council received the Corporate Parenting Panel Annual Report from the Chair of the Corporate Parenting Panel.</p>	-	-

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4(b)	<p>Development Control Scheme of Officer Delegation and Development Control Meetings – Public Participation – Speaking Arrangements</p> <p>That the Development Control Scheme of Delegation and the Development Control Speaking Arrangements; Access to Information - Annex A of the Council Constitution be adopted.</p> <p>Other Action</p> <p>The Chair of the Development Control Committee to discuss with the Head of Development Management:</p> <p>(a) the possibility of providing definitions of Major and Minor Planning Applications as supplementary information to the Scheme of Delegation; and</p> <p>(b) providing greater certainty / clarity as to when the 28 day objection period for a planning application commences.</p>		<p>Head of Development Management / Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager</p> <p>Councillor Eastman</p>
4(c)	<p>Minerals Local Plan</p> <p>That the Milton Keynes Minerals Local Plan be adopted.</p>		<p>Service Director (Growth, Economy and Culture)</p>
5(a)	<p>Councillors' Questions</p> <p>Following an undertaking given by Councillor Marland (Leader of the Council), a review be undertaken as to the viability / possibility of the development control process being used to require fire sprinklers are installed in all buildings accommodating vulnerable people.</p> <p>Councillor Gifford (Cabinet member for Place) to request officer colleagues to review the route of National Cycle Route 51 in order to avoid any conflict between bicycles and pedestrians around Central Milton Keynes Shopping Centre.</p>		<p>Head of Development Management</p> <p>Head of Highways / Councillor Gifford</p>

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5(a) Cont)	<p>Councillor Marland (Leader of the Council) to ask the Shopping Centre Management, as a result of the increase in mobile retail units and informal seating areas, to consider providing some form of warning which helps visually impaired persons avoid such obstacles.</p> <p>Following her imminent discussion with officer colleagues Councillor Gifford (Cabinet member for Place) to advise Councillor V Hopkins as to how the Council intended to respond to Central Bedfordshire Council's draft Local Plan which included a development of 3000 homes on land that bordered Milton Keynes.</p> <p>Councillor Ferrans to advise Councillor Marland (Leader of the Council) as to her specific concerns about the previous repairs to potholes on and in the vicinity of the H8/V11 Roundabout and the location of the current potholes she believed were in need of repair.</p> <p>Councillor Marland (Leader of the Council) to request officer colleagues to provide Councillor McDonald with the rationale for not including all 'green spaces;' in the Urban Capacity Study.</p>		<p>Councillor Marland</p> <p>Service Director (Growth, Economy and Culture) / Councillor Gifford</p> <p>Councillor Ferrans</p> <p>Service Director (Growth, Economy and Culture) / Councillor Marland</p>
5(b)	<p>Council Calls for More Apprentices</p> <p>1. That this Council notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the opportunities presented through the new Apprenticeship levy; (b) the benefits apprenticeship schemes provide for the life prospects of young people; (c) the contribution apprentices make to the creation of a loyal and diverse workforce; 		

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5(b)(cont)	<p>Council Calls for More Apprentices</p> <p>(d) that although many Council staff are already highly qualified, there is some scope for apprentices at both the basic and higher levels; and</p> <p>(e) that the shortage of qualified construction workers is reducing the rate of house-building nationally, and that this is a field which can offer a long term career to people in the Milton Keynes area.</p> <p>2. That the Council also notes that in the 2017/18 budget only one team, in the People Directorate, planned for new apprentices (13 in total); Council therefore registers its disappointment that this number is currently so small, given that the £330k pa levy, funded by taxes from Milton Keynes residents, is available to draw down for training purposes and that the Council has had plenty of time to plan for this as the levy was announced in Autumn 2015.</p> <p>3. That this Council therefore resolves to:</p> <p>(a) endorse the creation of new and / or expand current apprenticeships schemes within the Council;</p> <p>(b) urge Cabinet to investigate if it is feasible to bring forward plans to bring the number of apprentices up to 2.3% of the workforce using the training funding from the apprenticeship levy, acknowledging that apprenticeships are training placements and cannot, and should not, replace a skilled workforce;</p>	Cabinet	Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager / Councillor Middleton / Head of HR and Strategy

