

Minutes of the meeting of the STRATEGIC PLACEMAKING SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE held on THURSDAY 21 MARCH 2019 at 6.10 pm

- Present:** Councillor Bint (Chair)
Councillors Ferrans, Marklew and Rankine.
- Officers:** T Darke (Director Growth, Economy and Culture), K Hulatt (Acting Head of Legal Services) and S Heap (Committee Services and Scrutiny Manager).
- Also Present:** Councillor Legg (Cabinet member for Customer Services), R Kurth (Central Milton Keynes Town Council) and 1 member of the public

SPSSC10 MINUTES

That the Minutes of the meetings of the Sub-Committee held on 20 September 2018 and 23 October 2018 be approved and signed by the Chair as correct records.

SPSSC11 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Bint, for transparency, advised the Sub-Committee that he:

- (a) was a Council nominee to the Board of Milton Keynes Development Partnership and while he was required to act in the interest of the Development Partnership while in its Board meetings, outside those meetings, he was able fulfil his councillor role in the usual way;
- (b) was the Council's nomination to MK Forum, but he had not discussed the Campbell Park Northside Development Brief with MK Forum or had been involved in the Forum's call-in in any way; and
- (c) had written a paper, several years ago, on the subject of the "job spec for CMK" and that the paper was entirely a personal opinion, without prejudice to this call-in process;
- (d) had, at the first Delegated Decisions meeting held on 29 January 2019, made representations that the predicted pupil numbers from Campbell Park Northside needed to be reviewed and revised and that those concerns were fully addressed by changes to the document before the Cabinet member took his decision to adopt the Development Brief, the decision which was now the subject of this call-in; and

- (e) had raised all four of these items at the Mediation, and received explicit confirmation from the two call-in groups and from the Cabinet member that they were entirely satisfied with him chairing the mediation and the call-in meeting.

SPSSC12

**CALL-IN OF DELEGATED DECISION - 26 FEBRUARY 2019:
CAMPBELL PARK NORTH SIDE DEVELOPMENT BRIEF**

The Sub Committee noted the following decision, in respect of the Campbell Park Northside Development Brief, made by Councillor Legg by delegated decision on 26 February 2019, had been called-in by Central Milton Keynes Town Council and by twenty members of the public represented by MK Forum:

- “1. That the proposed changes to the Campbell Park Northside Development Brief arising from the public consultation be agreed.
- 2. That the Campbell Park Northside Development Brief be approved.”

It was reported that a mediation meeting had been held on 12 March 2019 between the Cabinet member for Customer Services, representatives of Central Milton Keynes Town Council and representatives of MK Forum. As a result of the mediation meeting the call-in request by twenty members of the public had been withdrawn and that the Cabinet member had agreed in principle, to the Town Council’s requested changes to Paragraphs 3.5, 5.2.2 and 5.8.2 of the Development Brief and to give further consideration to the remaining issues raised by the Town Council.

The Sub Committee accordingly considered referring back the Cabinet member’s decision to adopt the Development Brief in order to allow him to formally confirm his undertakings and adopt the amendments agreed at the mediation meeting.

RESOLVED -

That this Sub-Committee:

- 1. thanks both call-in groups, the Cabinet member for Customer Services and officers for their constructive and successful engagement in the call-in Mediation process;
- 2. notes that the call-in led by MK Forum was withdrawn at the Mediation meeting, in the light of a firm commitment received from the Cabinet member that he would arrange for a review into the need for, and availability of, suitable land for employment uses within the Borough;
- 3. notes that the Cabinet member expressed his agreement:
 - (a) to his decision being ‘referred back’ so that consideration could be given to the issues raised in the Central Milton Keynes Town Council call-in;

- (b) in principle, to the Town Council's requested changes to Paragraphs 3.5, 5.2.2 and 5.8.2 of the Development Brief (subject to any minor changes to the actual wording); and
 - (c) to lead further discussions (between himself, officers, Councillors, Milton Keynes Development Partnership, Central Milton Keynes Town Council and others as he feels appropriate) on the remaining Central Milton Keynes Town Council suggested text changes, which all relate to a single "issue of contention" on which as yet there is no consensus; and
4. hereby "refers back" the Cabinet member's decision (to adopt the Development Brief), to allow further discussions and amendment of the document.

THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 6.17 PM