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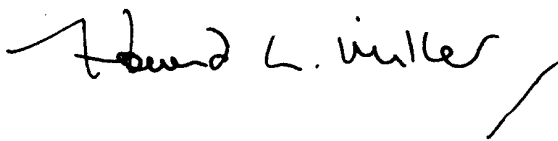
To: The Chair and Members of  
the Environment Committee

15 March 2000

Dear Councillor

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** to be held at the Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes on **TUESDAY 21 MARCH 2000 at 7.30 pm** when the business set out overleaf will be transacted.

Yours faithfully



Chief Executive

Councillor Bristow (Chair)

Councillor Morsley (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Burke, Coventry, Day, Hopkins, Kilkenny, Mabbutt, Nuttall, O'Sullivan, Pugh  
and Tapp

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## AGENDA

Item No:

**1. Apologies**

**2. Minutes**

To approve, and the Chair to sign as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 3 February 2000 and the special meeting held on 9 March 2000.

**3. Declarations of Interest**

Members and officers to declare any interests they may have in the business to be transacted in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972.

**4. Adjournment to Hear Members of the Public**

The Chair to request an indication from members of the public that they would wish the Committee to adjourn to hear their views during its consideration of a particular item.

**5. Deputations and Petitions**

No deputations have been received for consideration at this meeting.

Any petitions will be reported at the meeting.

**6. Questions from Members of the Public**

To receive any questions from members of the public in accordance with Standing Order P28.

**7. Ward Matters**

Councillor Pym had asked the Committee to consider the following matter :

“That White Give Way triangles be placed on the redway at the junction of Juniper Gardens, Walnut Tree”

Members Note :

This matter was raised by the Council on 10 May 1999. On 14 May 1999, the Council indicated that the job could be done by the term white lining contractor when next in the area.

On 16 August 1999, the Council advised that the job had been included in requests for cycle facilities. A subsequent conversation with the Senior Technician Cycling Officer produced an undertaking that maintenance would do the markings at this location in the Autumn on a one-off basis.

Since by 9 December 1999 nothing had been done, the Council was advised of an intention to place the item on the agenda of the Transport Committee. This

produced a telephone message from the Council saying that the job would be done by Christmas 1999. Nothing was done, so the item appeared on the Transport Committee's agenda on 7 March 2000.

The officers background note to the Transport Committee stated : "The request for road markings was passed to the Milton Keynes Council's contractor on 21 December 1999 via the Maintenance department. The Contractor has advised that the work has been completed. This will be confirmed and a further verbal report presented to the meeting."

Since by the time of the meeting on 7 March 2000 nothing had been done, the Transport Committee was advised of an intention to place the item on the agenda of the Environment Committee for 21 March 2000 if nothing had been done meanwhile. Since by 13 March 2000, nothing had been done and since the Council's undertakings have been broken over and over again, the matter is now placed on the agenda of the Environment Committee.

Members may recall the accident to a child cyclist on the redway at a nearby redway intersection in Highgate Over, Walnut Tree where there were no Give Way signs. Signs were placed at this location after the incident. The Committee is recommended to place the required markings at Juniper Gardens, Walnut Tree now"

#### Officers Background Note :

The Transport Committee at it's meeting on 7 March 2000 expressed the view that the provision of White Give Way markers at the junction of Juniper Gardens was an urgent matter. A white lining Contractor has been employed to carry out a programme of work and it is expected that this site will be marked before the meeting of the Environment Committee this evening. There are two junctions of redways within Juniper Gardens but only one has been marked.

#### **8. Revenue Budget 1999/2000 Monitoring**

To consider Item 8 (**Page 6**)

#### **9. Waste Management Contract – Budget Implications**

To receive an oral report.

#### **10. Internal Audit Reports**

To consider Item 10 (**Page 10**)

#### **11. Directorate Plan 2000/01 and Divisional Service Plans**

To consider Item 11 (**Page 14**)

#### **12. Dog Fouling – Designation/Implementation Programme**

To consider Item 12 (**Page 20**)

**13. Tender for DSO Vehicles and Equipment**

To consider Item 13 (**Page 36**)

**14. Tender for Automatic Plastic Sorting Equipment**

To consider Item 14 (**Page 41**)

**15. Bletchley Regeneration and Central Milton Keynes Development**

To consider feedback from the informal workshops held last week on Bletchley Regeneration and Central Milton Keynes Development.

**16. Sub-Committee and Panel Minutes**

To receive and adopt the following Sub-Committee and Panel Minutes:

- (a) Landscape Panel – 7 March 2000 (Item 16a) (**Page 45**)
- (b) Local Plan Sub-Committee – 23 February 2000 (Item 16b(i)) (**Page 48**) and 16 March 2000 (**to follow**)

At these meetings, the Sub Committee resolved to approve the wording of policies for inclusion in the First Deposit Version of the Local Plan, as well as various changes to the Proposals Map. As with previous recommendations concerning the content of the Deposit Plan, this Committee must decide whether to accept the Sub Committee's recommendations.

The Sub Committee has now considered most of the content of the new plan. However, there are a few outstanding matters to be resolved, taking into account the outcome of the special Environment Committee meetings to consider Bletchley regeneration (14 March) and CMK (17 March). Any other outstanding matters will be reported verbally.

The next meeting of the Local Plan Sub Committee is scheduled for 13 April 2000 when they will consider all remaining policies and proposals. Given the limited number of outstanding matters, the Environment Committee is requested to agree to delegate approval for remaining policies and proposals to the Local Plan Sub Committee. This will enable decision-making on the Local Plan to be completed within the current Council year and the plan to be placed on deposit in June / July, in line with the revised timetable recently agreed by the Sub Committee.

The Committee is requested to agree the recommendations of the Sub Committee meetings on 23 February and 16 March, and to delegate approval for remaining policies and proposals to the Local Plan Sub Committee.

- (c) Direct Services Organisation Sub-Committee – 29 February 2000 (Item 16c) (**Page 55**)

**17. Questions on Committee's News Sheet**

To ask questions on any item included on the Committee's News Sheet. The following items were circulated:

- (a) Local Government Association – Environment Agency/Local Authority Joint 5 Year Plan
- (b) Contaminated Land Regulations 2000

**18. Members' Items**

No items have been received for consideration at this meeting.

**19. Called-in Decisions**

No decisions have been called-in for consideration at this meeting.