

CABINET

11 OCTOBER 2016

ITEM 9

REVIEW OF THE CITY STREET AND SURROUNDING NETWORK IN THE EASTERN EXPANSION AREA

Recommendation to be moved by Councillor Gowans:

1. That Councillor Crooks be thanked for bringing to the Cabinet's attention details of the ongoing review of the city street and surrounding highway network in the Eastern Expansion Area.
2. That the following detailed updated position in regards to the opening of roads around Fen Street, following further dialogue between Milton Keynes Council and Places for People (the principal developer), be noted:
 - (a) Places for People will remove the barrier across Fen Street by the end of December.
 - (b) Works on Fen Street to remove the bus lane markings and to re-surface the pavements as Redways will take place during November and December and the Council will not introduce any new restrictions on parking along Fen Street.
 - (c) The principal developer will start work on the Northern "tie-in" junction linking Newport Road with Fen Street In January. Barring bad weather and unforeseen circumstances this work will have been completed no later than Tuesday 2 May 2017. Newport Road will then be downgraded, Fen Street will be opened to all through traffic and will become the principal through route, and the bus services will transfer over.
 - (d) Barring unforeseen circumstances the section of Fen Street from the southern "tie-in" junction out to the new junction where Fen Street meets the extension of Countess Way will be opened no later than Friday 29 September 2017. Vehicle and pedestrian access will therefore continue via Countess Way in the interests of road safety while Brooklands Square is constructed.
3. That a working group comprising the responsible Cabinet member, the ward councillors for Broughton Ward, Places for People and appropriate officer colleagues, chaired by the Cabinet member, be established.
4. That the working group be requested to report to the Cabinet on a quarterly basis.