



Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council

There will be a meeting of the Full Council on Tuesday, 28th November, 2023 to be held at Newton Leys Pavilion commencing at 7.30 pm to transact the items of business set out in the agenda below.

Delia Shephard

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Clerk to the Council
Tuesday, 21 November 2023

AGENDA

1. To note councillors' apologies for absence
2. To note councillors' declarations of interest in matters on the agenda
(Under the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, made under s30 (3) of the Localism Act, councillors are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting)
3. To approve the draft minutes of the extraordinary meeting of council held on Tuesday 21 November 2023 and to confirm wording of response to MKCC's public consultation on its draft Brunel Centre Development Brief (Pages 1 - 12)
4. Public Speaking
To receive representations from members of the public on items on the agenda and to hear questions from members of the public about council business which may not be listed on the agenda.

Members of the public who wish to present a spoken or written representation should contact the Clerk no later than 12 noon on the day before the day of the meeting in order to register to be heard or to obtain a link to join the meeting remotely.

The public speaking session will generally last no more than 15 minutes and individuals will be permitted to speak for a maximum of 3 minutes.

Requests to speak or ask questions will be dealt with in the order in which they have been received by the Clerk.

For more information or to register to speak please contact:

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuEj3-xDT_faeAxDSZ8sySg

5. *To note current casual vacancies on the council and to consider co-option of candidates (Pages 13 - 18)
There are existing casual vacancies in the following wards: Central Bletchley, Granby, Eaton South, Fenny Stratford, Queensway and Denbigh North.

Candidates to be considered for co-option:

Members of the public and representatives of the media are welcome to attend but are warned that items marked with an asterisk () may involve discussion of confidential information and the council may resolve to exclude members of the public and press if this is deemed to be in the public interest*

- i Othelia Fenandez – Fenny Stratford
- ii Jay Joshi – Queensway and Denbigh North

6. To review and comment on planning applications due to be considered by Milton Keynes Council
 - (i) 23/02050/FUL - Blue Lagoon Local Nature Reserve - Improved redway connectivity with associated works to Section 2 of the redway (Regulation 3 application under the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992) (Pages 19 - 32)
 - (ii) 23/02051/FUL - Blue Lagoon Local Nature Reserve - Retrospective application for improved redway connectivity with associated works to Section 4 of the redway (Regulation 3 application under the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992) (Pages 33 - 46)
 - (iii) 21/00725/FUL - Land Off Albert Street And South of Princes Way (Burger King Site) , MK2 2UQ - Demolition of existing structures and erection of a mixed use development comprised of 120 homes, flexible commercial units (Use Class E) and other associated works (Pages 47 - 56)
 - (iv) 23/02579/PRIOR - Queensway House 207 - 209 Queensway Bletchley Milton Keynes MK2 2EE - Prior Approval for change of use of the existing ground floor commercial unit (Class E) to 3 x 1-bedroom residential units (Class C3) (Pages 57 - 66)
 - (v) 23/02581/PRIOR - Queensway House 207 - 209 Queensway MK2 2EE = 2302584 PRIOR Queensway House 207 - 209 Queensway MK2 2EE 2 - Prior Approval for the change of use of part of the first floor from Class E (commercial) to Class C3 (residential) (Pages 67 - 74)
7. To note a summary financial report showing income and expenditure against budget to date (Pages 75 - 76)
8. To ratify a list of payments made or due to be made by the council before the next meeting of the Finance & Governance Committee (Pages 77 - 80)
9. *To approve the appointment of the internal audit provision for 2024/25 (Pages 81 - 86)
10. To receive a report on progress with the Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Neighbourhood Plan (Cllr Hussein)
11. To receive a clerk's report on recent meetings of the Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Deal Board (Pages 87 - 88)
12. To consider and approve spending on community events for the remainder of 2023-2024 (Pages 89 - 90)
13. To review a progress report on the town council's delivery plan for 2023-2024 (Pages 91 - 102)
14. To consider feedback from the Residents' Survey 2023 and determine next steps (Pages 103 - 126)
15. To review the Town Council's existing strategic priorities and to consider a draft delivery plan for 2024-2025 which will inform budget planning (Pages 127 - 130)
16. Sycamore Buildings Project
 - (i) To review progress with Sycamore Buildings project and to consider phasing of the project (Pages 131 - 134)
 - (ii) To confirm governance arrangements for the project delivery

17. To review a first draft budget document for the financial year 2024-2025 and to give any recommendations to the Finance and Governance Committee for consideration at their meeting on 9 January 2024 (Pages 135 - 152)

As agreed at the extraordinary meeting of full council on 21 November 2023 this item of business will include review of weekend hire charges for Newton Leys Pavilion and Fenny Stratford Community Centre for 2024-2025 and review of the proposed community event budget for 2024-2025 previously recommended by the Community Committee in the light of a recommendation from the Employment Policy Committee that additional costs should be included in the budget to account for increased demands on the employee team.

(Final approval of the 2024-2025 budget is due to take place at Full Council on Tuesday 30 January 2024 at which meeting the precept for 2024-2025 will also be set. Prior to that the draft budget will be considered further at a meeting of the Finance and Governance Committee on 9 January 2024.)