



Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Community Committee of Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council held at Community Hall - Newton Leys Pavilion on Tuesday, 16th April, 2024 commencing at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllrs T Stephens, M Wymer, S Browne, R Graham and Fernandes

Absent: Cllrs L Campbell and A Khanom

Apologies: Cllrs E Kelly-Wilson and A Palmer

In attendance: John Fairclough (Support Services Manager) (Clerk)

In Attendance virtually: Davina Pancholi (Community Events and Support Services Officer)

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- CC24/25-1 **To note councillors' apologies for absence**
It was RESOLVED to note the apologies as listed above
- CC24/25-2 **To note councillors' declarations of interest in matters on the agenda**
Cllr Stephens drew attention to item 6.ii and explained he potentially had an interest in the East West Rail Project as was an employee of Network Rail and agreed to not participate in the discussion.
- CC24/25-3 **To approve the draft minutes of the previous meetings of the committee**
It was RESOLVED that the draft minutes of the last meeting be approved as a correct record of proceedings
- CC24/25-4 **Public Speaking Time**
- CC24/25-5 **Community Grant Applications**
- CC24/25-5i **To consider a grant application from the Fenny Poppers Festival in the sum of £7,000**
It was RESOLVED to award an amended sum of £6000 to the Fenny Poppers Festival.
- CC24/25-5ii **To consider a grant application from the Inland Waterways Association in the sum of £494.00**
It was RESOLVED to award the full sum of £494 to the Inland Waterways Association to help host the canalside festival.
- CC24/25-6 **To consider any planning applications due for determination by Milton Keynes Council**
- CC24/25-6i **24/00592/FUL 108 Queensway Bletchley Milton Keynes MK2 2RU**
It was RESOLVED that no comment be made on the proposed application.
- CC24/25-6ii **24/00677/CONINF Woburn Sands Associated With The Route Corridor of The East West Rail Project**



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It was RESOLVED that no comment be made on the proposed application.

CC24/25-6iii **23/01135/FUL - Travis Perkins 64-66 And 70 Simpson Road Bletchley Milton Keynes MK1 1BA**

It was RESOLVED that no comment be made on the proposed application.

CC24/25-7 **To review a proposal to establish a Repair Cafe in Bletchley and Fenny Stratford**
It was RESOLVED to provide support to the repair café by publicising the project and helping to attract volunteers but the town council would not be in a position to provide a member of staff to act as the coordinator and run these sessions.

CC24/25-8 **To receive a report on the community Iftar and Easter event**
The officer responsible for community events and support services provided an update regarding the community events that have taken place. The community Iftar was considered a success with excellent feedback and learnings to take on board if the event was to be repeated.

The Easter event on Queensway was also well attended by the community with good feedback from local residents.

CC24/25-9 **To receive a report on the recent winter warm spaces programme**
The warm space programme report was noted and a special thanks was made to Cllr Wymer for the time and effort given to ensure the success of the events planned.

CC24/25-10 **To consider extending the services provided by MK Money Lifeline**
It was RESOLVED to extend the MK Money Lifeline services for a further three months and then reviewed thereafter.

CC24/25-11 **To note a report showing income and expenditure against budget which falls within the remit of the committee**
It was RESOLVED to note the report showing income and expenditure against budget.

The meeting closed 8.22pm