



Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council held on Monday 30 January 2023 at 7.30pm at the Heelands Meeting Place on Glovers Lane in Heelands, MK13 7LW.

Councillors Present: Gilpin (in the Chair), Alexander, Bradburn, Brant, Davy, Evans, Exon, Godfrey and Juhnevica.

Staff Present: Philip Farquharson (Clerk)

Members of the public: 1

FC136/23 Apologies: All members were present.

FC137/23 Declaration of interests: None were declared.

FC138/23 Public participation: It was on the agenda for any resident of the parish to raise any issue, petition, question or concern. The following matter was raised:

- The grit bin on Stainton Drive in Heelands.

FC139/23 Minutes of the last Full Council Meeting:

A motion was proposed and seconded to adopt the Minutes:
Those in favour of adopting the Minutes: 9

Action: It was resolved to approve as an accurate record the proceedings of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 December 2022, and these were signed by the Chair for the Clerk's records.

The Chair moved to consider item FC148/23 next. This was voted on and met with unanimous approval.

FC148/23 Grit bin on Stainton Drive:

Action: It was on the agenda to consider placing a salt grit bin at cost of approx. £500 to the Parish Council on Stainton Drive. It was considered better to ask MKCC to do this, and the Clerk would contact the relevant MKCC officer in liaison with Cllr Bradburn.

The Chair moved to consider item FC142/23 next. This was voted on and met with unanimous approval.

FC142/23 Suffolk Punch Community Centre tenders:

Action: A vote was held in order to consider the tenders with the exclusion of press and public in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960: It met with unanimous approval and members of the public left the Meeting at this point, for this item.

Action: A motion was tabled not to approve any of the tenders:

Those in favour: 7

Those against: 0

Those who abstained from voting: 2

Action: The motion passed and the Clerk would revert back to GSS accordingly.

FC140/23 Budget for the 2023-24 financial year:

Under Standing Order 10(a) xv a motion was proposed to suspend Standing Orders 9(b) and 7(a), in order that Councillors could reconsider the budget without the Suffolk Punch project included without breaching standing orders on re-voting on motions and providing motions on agendas to be voted on in the usual way.

Those in favour: 8

Against: 0

Those who abstained from voting: 1

Action: The motion passed and Standing Orders 7(a) and 9(b) were temporarily suspended.

A motion was proposed to exclude the costs associated with building the Suffolk Punch Community Centre from the budget for 2023-24:

Those in favour: 9

Action: The motion passed.

A motion was tabled to set the budget for 2023-24 with a precept increase from £54.08 per Band D Household to £74.16 per Band D household. Projected income was £31,600, projected expenditure for the year ahead was £238,720, which included a movement to reserve of £40,000 ring-fenced for future Suffolk Punch Community Centre expenditure.

Those in favour: Gilpin, Alexander, Davy, Exon, Godfrey, Jhunevica.

Those against: Bradburn, Brant.

Those who abstained from voting: Evans.

Action: The vote was recorded. The motion passed and the Clerk would request from MKCC the precept requirement for the forthcoming financial year, of £207,120 (excluding the LCTRS grant, which MKCC account for).

FC141/23 Payments:

Action: Councillors noted the current bank balance (£88,087) and savings account balance (£114,636) and approved the December and January monthly payment schedules.

FC143/23 Business Plan for use of the Suffolk Punch Community Centre if built:

Action: The Plan was noted.

FC144/23 Interim Internal Auditor Report:

Action: The Council noted the report, considered the comments and noted it contained no recommendations. The Parish Council noted the improvement in systems of internal control implemented by the Clerk over the last twelve months and thanked the Clerk for his sound financial management and rigorous work in improving systems of internal control.

FC145/23 Bradwell Memorial Hall update:

Action: It was noted that a meeting had been held with Chair of the Memorial Hall Charitable Trust and Clerk and with the lawyers JGA Legal in Olney, and the next stages were;

- The current trustees to instruct GJA Legal.
- For the existing trustees to resign.
- The Parish Council to become sole managing trustee.
- The land to be registered.

FC146/23 Tree survey report:

Action: Councillors noted with approbation the survey, in that after the last survey three years ago much of the work had been completed, so the new survey had only 4 actions to be considered with high importance.

Action: A vote was held to enact the recommendations of high importance and moderate importance. The vote was unanimous and it was resolved therefore that the Clerk would instruct RTM to work through the recommendations in the survey, and seek to satisfy as many of the other recommendations within the £3.5k budget as possible.

FC147/23 Grant application from the Milton Keynes Hospital Charity:

Action: No representative was at the meeting and as this was a requirement of the Parish Councils when evaluating grant requests, the application was not considered.

FC149/23 Collaborative support with the Steering Group of St Lawrence Church for summer event:

Action: It was on the agenda to consider offering financial and administrative support to the group for an event in the summer.

An amendment to the motion was made, to include supporting the printing costs of advertising the event by contributing £1,000:

Those in favour: 6
Against: 1
Abstain: 2

Action: The motion carried and the Clerk would transfer £1,000 to the Church bank account for this purpose, and the Parish Council would support the event to be held on the Glebe Field in Bradwell in the summer.

FC150/23 Planning Applications: Councillors to considered making representation to MKC on planning applications:

- a) Application no: 23/00020/PRIOR Proposal: Prior Notification for the proposed +25.0m AGL monopole telecommunications installation upgrade and associated ancillary works and the removal of the existing +17.5m MBNL monopole mast at: Telecommunication Mast Monks Way Alston Drive To V6 Milton Keynes Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended) Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2015

Action: It was resolved not to object to this application.

- b) Application no: 23/00001/HOU Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension at: 12 Loughton Road Bradwell Milton Keynes MK13 9AA

Action: It was resolved not to object to this application.

Date and time of next meeting: Monday 06 March 2023 at 7:30pm at the Heelands Meeting Place.

The Meeting was declared **closed** at 9:30pm.