



**Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council held on Monday 12 January 2026 at 7.00pm at the Heelands Meeting Place on Glovers Lane, MK13 7PN.**

**Councillors Present:** Brant (in the Chair), Alexander, Exon, Godfrey, Muchmore and Stuchbury.

**Staff Present:** Philip Farquharson (Clerk).

**Members of the public:** 6

**FC206/26 Apologies:** Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Best, Bradburn, and Gilpin. The reasons for the apologies were approved by unanimous assent.

**FC207/26 Declaration of interests:** Councillor Exon declared an interest in that he was on planning committees at MKCC and would refrain from voting on planning matters. Councillor Godfrey also declared an interest in that she was Chair of the MKPA, with reference to agenda item FC214/26, and would abstain from voting on this item.

**FC208/26 Public participation:** It was on the agenda for any resident of the Parish to raise any issue, petition, question or concern. The following matters were raised:

- Parking issues on Langcliffe Drive by church-goers. Residents were unhappy about the behaviour of church-goers with regard to parking.
- It was noted that there was an MKCC public consultation happening on double-yellow lines on Langcliffe Drive as a result of this, and residents present considered this would not be the best solution, rather restricted parking times would be better.
- The St Augustine's Church representative informed the Parish Council that fundraising had begun to build extra parking provision at the back of the Church, and that around £20,000 was needed. The church representative arrived just after the other members of public had left the meeting.

Upon request, the Clerk agreed to have this on the March 2026 Full Council agenda.

**FC209/26 Minutes of the December 2025 Council Meeting:**

**Action:** A motion was proposed to approve the Minutes and the vote was in favour. It was resolved therefore to approve as an accurate record the Minutes of the Meeting held on 01 December 2025. These were signed by the Chair for the Council's records.

**FC210/26 Payments:**

**Action:** Councillors noted by formal resolution the December monthly payments, as well as the current account balance of £83,827 and savings account balance of £15,257 (as at 23 December 2025), with £200,000 in the public sector deposit fund. Broadly the Clerk stated the Parish Council's finances were on budget, but this would be scrutinised more in-depth at the forthcoming Finance and Staffing Committee in February. The Clerk drew to the Council's attention;

- electricity consumption at the HMP (Heelands Meeting Place), which averaged out around £400/month, which was a significant reduction (overall) since the ASHP (Air Source Heat Pumps) had been installed, as there was now no gas bill at all. One year ago the gas bill alone had been around £500/month, with electricity of around £200 per month on top of that. The saving was therefore over £200/month, during the winter months.
- The Barclays bank contained £21,000, as run by the Bradwell Memorial Hall charitable trust. An internal transfer had happened and £20,000 had been moved from the current account to the savings account. The savings account had an interest rate of around 1%, which would therefore generate £200 per annum.

**FC211/26 Book Swap Cabinet:** It was on the agenda to consider funding the purchase of a book swap cabinet at approximately £600 to be located in Bradwell Village.

The Clerk and Chair had been informed this had been paid for out of Councillor Bradburn's ward budget, and the item was deferred.

**FC212/26 IT Policy: To consider for adoption the IT Policy**

A motion was proposed to approve the policy:

Those in favour: 6

Those to the contrary: 0

Those who abstained from voting: 0

**Action:** The motion Carried and the policy was adopted.

**FC213/26 Abbey Field, Bradwell:** It was on the agenda to consider converting the wildflower meadow back to becoming a playing field with goalposts, at approximate cost of £1,500.

A motion was proposed to convert half the field back to a playing field, notifying the Newt Conservation Society, and install goalposts:

Those in favour: 4

Those to the contrary: 1

Those who abstained from voting: 1

**Action:** The motion Carried and the Clerk would enact this.

**FC214/26 Section 106 Suffolk Punch Monies:** It was on the agenda to note MKCC's plan to spend the Suffolk Punch section 106 moneys (of around £210,000) on Community Facilities and consider making suggestions.

A motion was proposed to support investment in community premises in the Parish, with the following additions:

- 1) That the investment be split equally across all grid squares in the Parish,
- 2) Including investment in the Bradwell Common Community Centre in Bradwell Common,
- 3) And including the request for a) toilets and kitchen refurbishment in the Bradwell Memorial Hall b) roof and wall at the Bowls Club in Bradwell Village and c) a kitchen refurbishment in Heelands Meeting Place.

**Action:** The vote was unanimously in favour and the Clerk would communicate this to relevant MKCC personnel.

**FC215/26 Summer 2026 sports sessions:**

A motion was proposed to approve the sports sessions for all six weeks of the summer holidays, football and basketball to be provided by the Kickoff Football Academy:

Those in favour: 5

Those to the contrary: 0

Those who abstained from voting: 1

**Action:** The motion Carried and the Clerk would communicate this with the Assistant to the Clerk to organise the sessions.

**FC216/26 Planning: To consider planning applications as below (see pages 33-37):**

- a) Application PLN/2025/2279: Change of use from a C3 dwellinghouse to a six bedroom House in Multiple Occupation (HMO) (use class C4) (retrospective) at 39 CRADDOCKS CLOSE, BRADWELL, MILTON KEYNES, MK13 9DX

A motion was proposed to object to this application based on the lack of parking provision:

Those in favour: 4

Those to the contrary: 1

Those who abstained from voting: 1

**Action:** The motion Carried and the Clerk would submit the objection.

**Date and time of next meeting:** Monday 02 March 2026 at 7:00pm at the Heelands Meeting Place. There would be a Finance and Staffing Committee held on Monday 02 February at the Heelands Meeting Place at 7pm.

The Meeting was declared **closed** at 8:20pm.