

Bletchley & Fenny Stratford Town Council

Regeneration Committee Meeting Thursday 4th March 2010 Minutes

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| Present | Tony Keller (Chair), Robin Bowen-Williams, Keith Ely, Tim Haynes, E'Amonn O'Rourke, Shirley Rolfe, Jane Forder (Regeneration Officer) | |
| Also present | Jan Phillips – MK Council Regeneration Officer Stephen Sleight – Marston Vale Community Rail Partnership 2 members of the public | |
| R208-09 | Apologies Apologies were received from Angela Kennedy, Sue Kettles and Alan Webb. No apologies were received from John Rowley | |
| R209-09 | Notification of any other business Tim Haynes – Newspaper article regarding empty shops Tim Haynes – Newspaper article regarding Salden Chase | |
| R210-09 | Declarations of interest None declared | |
| R211-09 | Minutes of the Regeneration Committee meeting held on 4th February 2010 These were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair. | |
| R212-09 | Matters arising from minutes of the last meeting None | |
| | <i>It was agreed to go to agenda item 8</i> | |
| R213-09 | East West Rail Link R213-09.1 – Stephen Sleight from the Marston Vale Community Rail Partnership (MVCRP) gave a verbal representation. It was noted that the Community and Grants Committee agreed at the March 2010 meeting to contribute £500 to the MVCRP. The Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity (BRCC) which serves Bedford and Luton has set up a number of partnerships who act for the community and the rail companies, the MVCRP being one of them. The MVCRP engage with the community to encourage use of the local rail services and to increase community involvement. There is an increase of service for events including where necessary a Sunday service, e.g. Bedford River Festival. There are also special offers at attractions such as Bletchley Park and Kids World in Bedford. The MVCRP are also looking into setting up station adoption groups with local people to help check on stations and to report any damage or graffiti | |

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| | <p>The MVCRP has access to grant monies and this can be used to help regenerate local stations eg minor restorations, signage. Stephen advised that Section 106 monies are to be used to improve station signage at Bletchley station this year. There are also some minor works to be carried out at Fenny Stratford station.</p> <p>Stephen also reported that there is a commitment by London Midland to reverse the Marston Vale Line out of Bletchley into Milton Keynes by 2012.</p> <p>R213-09.1 –There were no further issues relating to rail matters.</p> | |
| | <p><i>It was agreed at this point to return to agenda item 6</i></p> | |
| R214-09 | <p>Lakes Estate R214-09.1 – Jan Phillips /MKC gave a verbal update on the Lakes Steering Group meeting on 17th February 2010. Due to a lack of members present at this meeting it was not quorate and therefore no decisions could be made.</p> <p>Jan Phillips confirmed that there will be a time extension to enable members to comment on the draft Neighbourhood Action Plan. The draft Neighbourhood Action Plan will be discussed at the next Steering Group meeting.</p> <p>R214-09.2 – The minutes from the Performance Group meeting on 25th January 2010 were noted.</p> <p>Jane Forder (in the absence of Alan Webb) gave a verbal report following Performance Group meeting on 22nd February 2010.</p> <p>R214-09.3 – The MKC newsletter ‘Regeneration MK’ was noted.</p> <p>R214-09.4 – The email from Lisa Courtney dated 3rd March 2010 regarding Spotlight Office was noted.</p> | |
| R215-09 | <p>Road Infrastructure B & Q Roundabout improvements – The Cabinet decision following meeting on 16th February 2010 was noted.</p> | |
| R216-09 | <p>MKC Move to Bletchley It was noted that this item will be discussed within the Milton Keynes Core Strategy (see agenda item 12.1)</p> | |
| R217-09 | <p>Town Centre Regeneration R217-09.1 – Car Parking / Car Parks in Central Bletchley / Fenny Stratford – It was noted that the first meeting of the transport working group will be on Wednesday 17th March 2010.</p> <p>Members agreed that Keith Ely, Tony Keller and E’Amonn O’Rourke are to be members of this working group.</p> <p>Alan Nall expressed an interest in joining this working group. It was agreed that membership to this working group will be discussed at the first meeting.</p> | |

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| | <p>Jane Forder reported that Trevor Dove / MKC will be leaving at the end of March 2010.</p> <p>R217-09.2 – Co-Op / Primark – It was agreed that no further action is to be taken.</p> | |
| R218-09 | <p>New Developments / Planning Applications</p> <p>R218-09.1 – Stadium MK – Application for casino It was agreed to write to MKC Planning to find out why the planning officers recommended this application for refusal.</p> <p>It was further agreed to write to MKC Licensing in support of the planning application for the casino to be located at the Stadium MK as opposed to the Central MK proposed sites.</p> <p>R218-09.2 – Bletchley Leisure Centre</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. It was noted that the building works on Plot A will begin shortly and that a further planning application is awaited. b. The action point agreed following Cabinet Meeting on 16th February 2010 was noted with no further action. <p>R218-09.3 – Salden Chase It was noted that this item is to be discussed with Consultations on Core Strategies.</p> | JF to write to MKC /Planning and Licensing |
| R219-09 | <p>Consultations</p> <p>R219-09.1 –The Milton Keynes Core Strategy was noted. It was agreed to set up a working group to respond to the MK Core Strategy. The first meeting to be held on 8th March 2010.</p> <p>Keith and Tony Keller agreed to be members of the working group.</p> <p>Jan Phillips advised members to contact Michael Moore at Milton Keynes Council regarding any questions or queries relating to the MK Core Strategy.</p> <p>R219-09.2 – New Residential Development Design Guide and Central Milton Keynes Tall Buildings Strategy Supplementary Planning Documents. The two planning documents were noted with no response.</p> <p>R219-09.3 – Salden Chase</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The Cabinet papers for meeting held on 16th February 2010 regarding MKC’s response to Aylesbury Vale District Councils Supplementary Planning Document for Salden Chase was noted. b. The key decisions from West Bletchley Council following their meetings were noted. c. It was agreed to send a copy of the Town Council’s response to Aylesbury Vale District Councils Supplementary Planning Document for Salden Chase to the examiner. d. There were no attendees to the meeting held on 24th February 2010 at St Andrews Baptist Church Hall. | JF to send a copy of response to examiner |

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| R220-09 | Correspondence Letter from P Starkey MP – Response to Salden Chase | JF to send copy to members |
| R221-09 | Questions from the Public None | |
| R222-09 | Any Other Business Tim Haynes – Empty Shops – Newspaper article regarding covering empty shops with artwork - noted Tim Haynes – Salden Chase – Newspaper article referring to West Bletchley Council’s response to Salden Chase - noted | |
| R2223-09 | Confirmation of date and time of next meeting Agreed as Thursday 1 st April 2010 at 7.30pm at Town Council offices | |

The Chair closed the meeting at 9.25pm