

**Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the  
REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

**held on TUESDAY 15 JANUARY 2019 at 7pm in Room 2, MKSNAP, Bourton Low,  
Walnut Tree, Milton Keynes, MK7 7DE**

**Present:**

**Councillors:** Amanda Taylor (Chair), Phil Chambers, Ian McColl and Brendan Metcalfe.

**Officers:** Dan Preston (Assistant Council Manager).

**Also present:** Representatives of Duchess Grove Allotment Association

**RC095 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received on behalf of Councillor Terry Reynolds.

**RC096 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None received

**RC097 MINUTES**

**Resolved Unanimously:** That the minutes of the Regulatory Committee meeting held on 11 December 2018 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

**RC098 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee considered the following planning applications-

**(a) Planning Application 18/03075/FUL – 32 Heybridge Crescent, Caldecotte, MK7 8HZ** – Proposed single storey and rear extension and wood burning stove.

**(b) Planning Application 18/03056/REM – Site South East of Elmswell Gate, Towergate, Milton Keynes** – Reserved matters application for the appearance of 49 plots with associated amendments to prior approved parking, landscaping and boundary treatment plans following grant of planning permission 15/02768/OUT.

**Resolved Unanimously:**

1. That in respect of application 18/03075/FUL the Council has no objection but asks that a condition protecting the silver birch tree on the site boundary be applied.
2. That in respect of application 18/03056/REM the Council has no objections or comments to make.

**RC099 REVIEW OF PLANNING DECISIONS**

**Resolved Unanimously:** That the report be accepted.

#### **RC100 AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS**

The Committee received a list of payments to be made, cheques and invoices to be paid and details of bank transfers and bank reconciliations.

**Resolved Unanimously:** That the invoices be reviewed and signed and that the payments and bank reconciliations be authorised and signed by two bank signatories.

#### **RC101 REGULATORY COMMITTEE BUDGET 2018/2019**

The Committee requested clarification on the budget line for Bank Interest, which was showing positive amounts where negative amounts would be expected and on what the payments on the Professional Fees budget line related to.

**Resolved Unanimously:** That the Regulatory Committee budget and forecast for 2018/2019 be accepted

#### **RC102 COUNCIL BUDGET 2018/2019**

**Resolved Unanimously:** That the Council budget and forecast for 2018/2019 be accepted.

#### **RC103 DRAFT COUNCIL BUDGET 2019/2020**

The Committee raised questions about the definition of discretionary and non-discretionary payments in the budget.

**Resolved Unanimously:** That the draft budget, as received by Full Council be accepted.

#### **RC104 S.137 APPLICATION – DUCHESS GROVE ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION**

The Committee considered a grant application for £500 from Duchess Grove Allotment Association (DGAA) to part fund a series of open days over 2019 and buying a community shed and water butt shelters for the site. The DGAA had applied for the same amount from Milton Keynes Community Foundation (MKCF). Three members of the DGAA were on hand to present and to answer the Committee's questions.

The Committee asked about the potential location of the water butt shelters, as the association had previously requested shelters as potential S.106 spending but this was rejected due to no suitable locations being found. It was told by the DGAA that the shelters would be on ridings that lead only to fences and need to be cut with a strimmer, so would not block paths or make maintenance more difficult.

The Committee also asked about the what could be delivered if the grant was awarded but the DGAA application for match funding to MKCF was unsuccessful. The DGAA said that the open days, being more focussed on the wider community, would go ahead but the shed and water butt shelters would not.

The DGAA stated that the community shed would be placed near the soon to be installed community greenhouse and compost heap and would be a valuable resource for plot holders.

**Resolved unanimously:**

1. That the Duchess Grove Allotment Association be awarded a S.137 grant of £500 towards community open days, a community shed and water butt shelters.
2. That WCC write to Milton Keynes Community Foundation (MKCF) expressing support for the DGAA application to MKCF.

**RC105 S.137 GRANT APPLICATION – MK CITY ORCHESTRA**

The Committee considered a revised grant application for £4,800 from MK City Orchestra (MKCO) to support workshops at MK Snap and a music performance at the Venue.

The Committee had rejected an application from MKCO at the December Regulatory Committee meeting and had asked MKCO to consider how the project could be more resident inclusive and be of more a community benefit rather than a benefit to MK Snap only.

The Application had now been altered to include a performance at The Venue, which would enable residents to attend and to support a local charity. The use of the Venue would incur an extra cost which meant the application was now for £4800.

**Resolved Unanimously:** That a recommendation be made to Full Council that Milton Keynes City Orchestra be awarded a S.137 grant of £4800 for workshops and a Walton Community concert to help raise funds for local charity Mk Snap.

**RC106 STANDING ITEM – MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL CONSULTATIONS**

No new consultations open at the present time.

**The Meeting Ended at 8.40pm**

**Accepted as a true and accurate record**

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**Chair**

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**Date**