

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF
WALTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
held on 6 JULY 2022 at 7pm in
Room 4, MK Snap Building, Bourton Low, Walnut Tree, MK7
7DE**

Present:

Councillors: Adam Chapman-Ballard (Chairman), Jaime Tamagnini (Vice-Chairman), Tate Chapman-Ballard, Joanne Dooley, Rukhsana Malik, David Newland and Charlie Wood.

Officers: Lesley Sung (Council Manager) and Dan Preston (Community Engagement Officer)

FC056 WELCOME AND PUBLIC FORUM

The Chairman welcomed everyone present to the meeting. There were no members of the public present.

**FC057 URGENT ITEM – PLANNING APPLICATION 22/01499/PRIOR –
INSTALLATION OF A 15M 5G MAST AT BRITTEN GROVE / ELGAR
GROVE, OLD FARM PARK**

The Chairman requested that an urgent item be added to the agenda in relation to a controversial matter relating to a prior approval application for the installation of a 15m 5G telecommunications mast. The Council had responded to Hutchison 'Three' as part of its pre-consultation exercise and had no response.

Resolved Unanimously: That the planning application be considered as an urgent item and that it be considered at the same time as considering other planning applications on the agenda.

FC058 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Amir Bhatti and Mandy Taylor.

Resolved Unanimously: That the apologies be accepted.

FC059 MINUTES

Resolved Unanimously: That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 1 June 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record of proceedings.

FC060 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

FC061 COUNCIL MANAGER'S REPORT

Resolved Unanimously: That the Council Manager's report be noted.

FC062 SCHEME OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY – DECISIONS

The Council reviewed the decisions taken under the adopted scheme of delegated authority, during June 2022.

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Resolved Unanimously: That the decisions taken under the Scheme of Delegated Authority, during June 2022, be accepted.

FC063 MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

Resolved Unanimously:

1. That Councillor Adam Chapman-Ballard be accepted as a member of the HR Committee.
2. That Councillor David Newland be accepted as a member of the Regulatory Committee.
3. That Councillor Joanne Dooley be accepted as a member of the Community Engagement Committee.

FC064 FINANCE – AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

Resolved Unanimously: That payments presented to the Council be authorised by Councillor Adam Chapman-Ballard (Chairman of the Council) and Councillor Charlie Wood (Vice-Chair of Regulatory Committee).

FC065 COUNCIL BUDGET 2021/2022

The Council received the Council budget 2022/2023 and details of the Council's financial position.

Resolved Unanimously: That the Council Budget 2022/2023 be accepted.

FC066 FINANCE SUMMARY REPORT

The Council received a report from the Responsible Finance Officer (RFO) setting out any main variations in the budget.

Resolved Unanimously: That the RFO report be accepted.

Councillor Jaime Tamagnini arrived at 7.25pm

FC067 COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER – UPDATE

The Council Manager reported that £36,800 of s.106 monies had been received from Milton Keynes Council to be put towards the refurbishment of the recently transferred Walnut Tree Pavilion. The Council was still waiting for a further £7k from Milton Keynes Council.

The transfer of Hindhead Knoll was continuing and a building and condition survey had been arranged at Heronsbrook Meeting place in anticipation of discussions regarding the transfer of this facility from Milton Keynes Council to Walton Community Council.

Resolved Unanimously: That the status of the Hindhead Knoll transfer and the potential transfer of Heronsbrook Meeting Place be accepted.

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FC068 PUBLIC ART PROJECT – COMMISSIONING OF ARTIST – BROWNS WOOD SPORTS GROUND

The Council received details of the artist recommended by the Council's Public Art Working Group that consisted of residents and Milton Keynes Council's s.106 Public Art Officer.

Two members of the Council requested that the Public Art Working Group's recommendation be considered by Community Engagement Committee as a means of coming back to Council with a less nebulous idea.

Resolved: That Jo Chapman, the Public Art Working Group's recommendations be the chosen artist to carry out the public art commission at Browns Wood Sports Ground.

(Councillor Tate Chapman-Ballard requested a named vote:

For: Councillors Joanne Dooley, David Newland and Charlie Wood

Against: Councillors Adam Chapman-Ballard and Tate Chapman-Ballard

Abstentions: Councillor Jaime Tamagnini)

FC069 URGENT ITEM – PLANNING APPLICATION - PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF A 15M 5G TELECOMMUNICATIONS MAST ON BRITTEN GROVE / ELGAR GROVE, OLD FARM PARK

The Chairman summarised the Council's comments made as part of the Hutchison 'Three' pre-consultation exercise. The planning application was now before the Council for comment to Milton Keynes Council.

Resolved Unanimously:

1. That the Council submits its strong objection to the proposed 15m 5G mast at Britten Grove / Elgar Grove, Old Farm Park, based upon the objections sent to Hutchinson 'Three' as part of its pre-consultation exercise (Minute FC048 refers).
2. That the Council sends a summary of its objection to residents living locally to the proposed mast, explaining how they too can object to the application.
3. That the Council sets up an online petition for residents to sign in objection to the proposed mast.

FC070 PLANNING APPLICATION 22/01513/DISCON – SITE H FORMER SANSETSU BUILDING, BRADBOURNE DRIVE, MK7 8AT

Resolved Unanimously: That the Council has no objections or comments to make on the above planning applications.

FC071 REPORTS FROM CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

The Chair of Operations Committee reported on decisions made and discussions that took place at the last meeting:

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- Projects where Community Infrastructure Funding bids could apply: (a) benches at Walnut Tree Sports Ground; (b) Landscaping in the area behind the Tawny Owl Public House; (c) solar panels at Walnut Tree Pavilion; (d) cricket nets at Walnut Tree Sports Ground.
- Consultation on Rights of way and the state of local bridleways.
- Noted the high electricity bill for the Walnut Tree pavilion.
- Application to change terms of s.106 monies to remove monies for improved drainage to a new water heating system.
- CCTV provider agreed.

The Vice-Chair of the Regulatory Committee reported on decisions made and discussions that took place at the last meeting:

- Noted the high electricity bill at Walnut Tree Pavilion.
- Set up of CCLA Deposit Fund

Resolved Unanimously: That the reports be noted.

FC072 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

- Dangerous driving still occurring outside Walton High School. It would be appropriate for Milton Keynes Council to extend the yellow zig zags and double lines. This may be an area that would benefit from becoming a 20mph zone.
- A large amount of fly-tipping was occurring in Juniper Gardens in Walnut Tree.
- Brambles from Duchess Grove allotment was encroaching into a resident's property.
- A letter should be sent to all allotment tenants discouraging them from using diesel powered pumps.
- Car parking issues in Hindemith Gardens had been referred to Milton Keynes Council.
- A request should be made to meet with Walton High and Milton Keynes Council about the proposal to install gender neutral toilets with the use of s.106 monies.
- Cars were being parked in Wavendon Gate next to dropped kerbs.

Resolved Unanimously: That the reports be noted.

The meeting ended at 8.15pm

Signed as a correct record of the proceedings:

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Chairman

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Date