

# FAIRFIELDS PARISH COUNCIL

11 Gladius Grove  
Fairfields  
Milton Keynes  
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## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

Held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at Great Holm Community Centre,  
87 Kensington Drive, Great Holm, Milton Keynes MK8 9AY

	Action
<p><b>Item 1. Members present</b> Cllr I Hunt Chairman Cllr J Harris Vice Chairman Cllr R Burn Cllr S Webb Cllr P Gupta</p> <p>Ward Cllr J Hearnshaw</p>	Mrs J Nicholas Clerk
<p><b>Item 2. Apologies</b> Accepted unanimously from Cllr K Findlay Paul VanGeete (MKC) Ward Cllr J Marklew</p>	
<p><b>Item 3. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest</b> All councillors present acknowledged that they may have an interest in all policies discussed but none felt it should prevent them from voting</p>	
<p><b>Item 4. Public Time - Questions had been requested to be sent in prior to the meeting</b></p> <p>Two questions had been received from Charita Kistasamy</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Can more rubbish bins be added to the park areas and on the walking paths as I've noticed that there is an accumulation of litter in the new park. <b>Answer</b> – The Parks are under the ownership of The Parks Trust and once they have been fully transferred over, they will put in bins as required. The walking paths are under different ownership, but bins can only be placed within a short distance of vehicle access due to Health and Safety when emptying.</li><li>2. Consideration of starting a food waste collection in Fairfields that can be used to make compost for the allotment areas. This will also help reduce the food waste that is thrown away in black bin bags.</li></ol>	

<p><b>Answer</b> – Food waste is not all suitable for composting (no cooked food should be put in a composter) and Milton Keynes Council are resuming their green bin collections on 18<sup>th</sup> August so the problem will then be resolved as they take <b>all</b> food waste to their anaerobic digester.</p>	
<p><b>Item 5. Minutes of previous Meeting of Council</b> The Minutes of the previous meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021 were approved unanimously and signed by the Chairman of the meeting</p>	
<p><b>Item 6 Meeting dates for 2021/2022</b></p> <p>A change of day from Thursdays for future meetings was discussed and it was decided that Tuesdays would be more suitable. The Clerk was requested to find out if the school would be available to make this change.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>
<p><b>Item 7 Reports</b></p> <p><b>Cllr S Webb</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As no one was present from developers Cllr Webb raised the Shops and the Community Building. Following a discussion, the Chairman will write to Ward Cllr J Hearnshaw with full information so that he can take up the problems of the delays with Milton Keynes Council cabinet members.</li> </ul> <p><b>Cllr P Gupta</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Public Art Project and the link has been sent to Councillors for their comments by 19<sup>th</sup> August.</li> <li>Office 365 is now up and running. Microsoft 365 monthly subscription for the Clerk has yet to be cancelled.</li> </ul> <p><b>Cllr R Burn</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attended Fairfield's Sports Hub steering group. The 3G pitch will be signed off next week, grass pitch handover will be Sept/Oct. The clubhouse has been delivered and fitting out taking place to be ready for October with the Official Opening in February half term. Booking line will be set up and also online bookings via MK dons SET website. Sports hub will not be dominated by football and tennis is being investigated. The management agreement states local use should be made available although complaints are still being received about the availability of the facilities for residents.</li> <li>Newsletter articles for September edition required by the end of August. A few articles have been received. Photos from allotments plot holders requested and Cllr J Harris will put a request on allotment Facebook page and Clerk will follow up with an email to plot holders.</li> </ul> <p><b>Cllr J Harris</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The latest crime figure from TVP show low levels of crime in Fairfield's.</li> <li>Allotments - Following communications regarding their queries the allotment working group are not interested in helping going forward.</li> <li>Fly tipping at school allotment site – Barratts say it is Chamonix/First Port. Clerk to check and also invite new contact at Chamonix/First Port to a meeting.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Chairman</b></p> <p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>PG</b></p> <p><b>JH</b> <b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complaint about top surface of Maximus Court not yet completed has been made to Barratts as well as problem with manholes on corner of Cicero. Work in ongoing on both of these complaints.</li> <li>Speed Indicator Device – A discussion was held about moving it from its present site and it was agreed to leave it where it is for the time being.</li> </ul> <p><b>Chairman</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following a discussion, it was decided that the next litter pick on 29<sup>th</sup> August would commence at Allhallows play park and head up to the new play park by the Marius Grove allotment site where a lot of litter has been reported. This would be organised by Cllr P Gupta.</li> <li>The banner advertising litter picks has been ordered by Chairman.</li> </ul> <p><b>Ward Councillor J Hearnshaw reported</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bin emptying – dealing with problems with flats on Cicero Crescent re non collections. SERCO need to identify where bins are as the signage isn't clear.</li> <li>Management service charges / council tax – this is being investigated by MKC as double taxation.</li> <li>New bus system seems to be working well.</li> </ul> <p><b>Cllr R Burn</b> raised a query regarding the use of the redundant bus shelter.- suggestions included a bicycle shelter for Community Building when it is built.</p>	<p><b>PG Chairman</b></p>
<p><b>Item 8 MKC and developers</b> There was no one present from MKC or the Developers</p>	
<p><b>Item 9 Finance</b> a) Finance report had been circulated and was accepted unanimously. b) Cheques were approved and were signed in accordance with mandate.</p>	
<p><b>Item 10 Community Park</b> a) The three tenders were discussed, and it was decided unanimously that the contract would be awarded to RTM. Ltd b) The grant funding has now been secured from MK Community Foundation to enable the project to go ahead. Agreement paperwork was signed by the Chairman..</p>	
<p><b>Item 11 Defibrillator funding and supply</b> Following a discussion, it was agreed unanimously that Parish Council would fund the £1 per day for a defibrillator plus £1 per day for the outdoor case. Renting the unit was thought preferential as there would be no ongoing commitment from anyone on site. Clerk to notify others involved who are Fairfields Primary School, Barratts and “We make footballers” so that the project can go ahead as soon as possible.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>

<p><b>Item 12 Charity Trustee Appointment</b>          No Parish Councillor came forward to take up this position as Trustee of the Calverton Apprenticing Charity. Clerk to inform the Chairity chairman</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>
<p><b>Item 13 Planning</b>          One planning application had been received but as it is part retrospective no comments would be made  <b>21/02091/FUL Planning Application</b>          Part retrospective application for the installation of 2no. shutters to under croft parking areas for 34 and 36 Tiberius Drive and proposed relocation of garden fence to provide 2no parking spaces per dwelling.</p>	
<p><b>Item 14 Next Meeting</b>          Next meeting will be 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 6.30pm at Fairfields Primary School (<b>NB</b> this may change if school is available on Tuesdays in future).</p>	

Meeting closed 8.15pm

Signed.....Chairman