## **FAIRFIELDS PARISH COUNCIL**

11 Gladius Grove Fairfields Milton Keynes MK11 4DE



## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Fairfields School 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Item 1. Members present	Action
Cllr I Hunt – Chairman Cllr S Webb Mrs J Nicholas Clerk Cllr J Walsh	
Paul VanGeete (MKC) Ward Cllr J Wilson-Marklew 11 members of the public	
Cllr P Gupta had resigned from Council Chairman thanked him for his work whilst at the council.	
Item 2. Apologies	
Accepted unanimously from Cllr R Burn Ward Cllr J Hearnshaw	
Item 3. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest	
All councillors present acknowledged that they may have an interest in all policies discussed but non felt it should prevent them from voting	
Item 4. Public Time - Questions had been requested to be sent in prior to the meeting  No questions had been received; one was added from those present at the meeting	
Question 1 What is the situation regarding the Shops?  Answer Paul vanGeete would answer this in Item 7  Question 2. Why is the road up to the Sports hub not fully surfaced as there	
is a gap halfway up?  Answer This is the responsibility of MKDons SET but Chairman will mention this when he has his next meeting with them.  Question 3 The grass verges are sinking in several areas and look a mess.	Chairman

Answer Clerk – This will have to be sorted before adoption. Clerk will Clerk check that this problem is on the list. Outstanding from previous meeting. Question 1. Walkway from school to Maximus Court is very dark some lighting would give residents assurance. **Updated Answer.** From Paul vanGeete - MKC are looking at the feasibility for solar lights to be installed along that stretch of path. Question 2 When the site is complete, and the show homes sold will a small path be added to the area in front of the show homes linking into the Redway. Currently, to get back to the estate residents have to walk out into the road which is dangerous as the metal gates around the show homes do not give space to walk? **Updated Answer** Clerk has investigated with Barratts site and sales.to find out their intention for this area. There is outline planning permission for two blocks of flats one either side of the entrance to the development so replanning that area is ongoing. Question 3 Speed de-restriction signs now missing on entering Fairfields will they be put in place and if so when? **Updated Answer** Clerk - Signs are on order. **Question 4** Using the perimeter footpath with a mobility scooter is very difficult where it crosses Maximus Court, could a dropped kerb be installed so that there is a smooth ramp for mobility scooter, wheelchairs and pushchairs? **Updated Answer** There are dropped kerbs already installed, the problem is that the top surface hasn't been put on Maximus Court, which when it is completed would give a smooth surface. Clerk – Barratts have stated that this work will be completed shortly. Item 5. Minutes of previous Meeting of Council The Minutes of the previous meeting on 8th March 2022 were approved and the minutes were signed off by the Chairman of the meeting. There was no meeting in April 2022 as Council was not guorate. Item 6 Reports CIIr S Webb Landscaping and dead trees now being monitored. The MKC contractors are watering the new turf daily and leaving their hosepipe attached to the water point and it is being used by plot Clerk holders. Clerk to investigate Cllr J Walsh Website – Meeting with IT consultants, they are copying over some of the old information but would like new photos etc if anybody had some and also ideas for new content. A further meeting will be held in about 2 weeks.

<ul> <li>Public Art Project - Small meetings with residents being held at café in the Health Centre at Whitehouse to gain ideas for what art residents would like to have. Posters and talks at local schools. Cllr Walsh will contact the project leaders to get an update.</li> </ul>	JW			
<ul> <li>Chairman</li> <li>Crime figures for Fairfields are very low</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> SID is on order will be installed shortly in newer part of development member of public requested one to be put up in Cicero Crescent as vehicles coming down the slope from Marius Grove are giving cause for safety of pedestrians</li> <li>Resident asked if benches could be provided on the perimeter footpath in the area of Albus Close/Balbina Way as the view is so good across the fields and it is a good stopping off point for those who walk with some difficulty?.</li> <li>Clerk to get prices and any permission required.</li> </ul>	Clerk			
<ul> <li>Ward Clir J Marklew</li> <li>Lack of litter picking being mentioned on social media. Ward councillors would be keen to help with future litter picks. Meeting agreed that next litter pick will be on 29<sup>th</sup> May at 11 o'clock working from 3 base points</li> </ul>	Chairman/ SW/JW			
<ul> <li>Item 7 MKC and Developers</li> <li>Paul vanGeete (MKC)</li> <li>Community Building - Following the problems with MKC losing the High Court battle over land to the south of Apollo Avenue and the delays this will cause to the Community Building, MKC are investigating using reserve land behind the retail site. PvG to send first drawings of how this would fit when he receives them later this week. This should be very similar to the original plans for the building.</li> <li>Retail site - Barratts have sent through further information on housing mix to MKC Planning department and this is on the planning portal. As this has been changed in conjunction with MKC planning it is hoped that this application will soon get permission.</li> <li>LP4 Play Park – There are access problems with the site, but MKC would like to carry on with the work using Juno Lane as a temporary access.</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>a) Finance reports for April were approved</li> <li>b) Payment authorisations for April were approved and signed according to the bank mandate one query was raised regarding the detail of an invoice and Clerk will investigate</li> <li>c) Approval was requested to add Cllr Jade Walsh to the bank mandate. This was passed unanimously, and forms signed. Clerk to sort out with bank</li> </ul>	Clerk Clerk			

Item 9 Grants The grant of £100 made to Riverside Parks Group which had been agreed by email in March was ratified unanimously.	
Item 10. IT and website Cllr Walsh had reported on the website earlier under item 6. I.T. is still being discussed with IT consultants.	
<ul> <li>Item 11 Jubilee Street Parties</li> <li>The Clerk showed a pack of bunting which residents could apply for to decorate either their own house or their street for parties. It was agreed that one 20meter pack would be sufficient for a house and 3 or 4 packs for a small street, 5 for a large street.</li> <li>Clerk had received email applications for bunting, distribution to be from the storage unit by the gate to the school car park. time and date to be advised</li> <li>Member of the public asked if other items such as plates, etc could also be available. The Clerk will investigate costs and let residents know of availability once cleared by the Council.</li> </ul>	Chairman Clerk
Item 12 Planning No new planning applications had been received.	
Item 13 Next meeting 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	

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