

**FULL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025 @ 19h00**

Location: Fairfields Sports Hub, Apollo Avenue, Fairfields, MK11 4BA

**Councillor Present:** Jake Bloomfield, Shelley Holmes, Ron Holmes, Surjeet Singh.

**Members of the Public:** One member

Meeting started at 19h00

**MINUTES**

**FC24/25-132 Public question time, including Ward Councillor updates.**

In accordance with Standing Order 1(d), members of the public may ask questions on any matters dealt with by full Council, which are included on this agenda.

1. Estate Agent Hoardings: A concern was raised about the location and state of boards. Council agreed that this topic is the responsibility of the Estate Agents and does not fall within the remit of Fairfields Community Council (FCC) managing it. Council suggested that residents complain directly to the various estate agents.
2. Parking on Apollo: A concern was raised about the parking bays outside the flats on Apollo when turning out of Saturn Avenue. When these parking bays are used, it blocks the visibility of traffic coming down Apollo. Council confirmed they will monitor this however, all parking bays were included in the original planning application and will have been checked and approved by Milton Keynes City Council (MKCC) Highways.
3. Tudor Gardens Redway. Clerk confirmed that she is still waiting for a response from MKCC however, a Certificate of Lawfulness planning application has just been submitted; see agenda item 143.

**FC24/25-133 Declarations of Interests in respect of relevant items of business on the agenda.** In accordance with the Localism Act 2011, Section 29(1). Council to receive and note. None declared.

**FC24/25-134 Requests for Dispensation.**

In accordance with the Localism Act 2011, Section 33.

Cllrs Shelley Holmes, Ron Holmes and Surjeet Singh have a dispensation in place relating to any allotment discussions. Agenda Item 142 Allotment Water Charges.

**FC24/25-135 Apologies for absence.**

Council RESOLVED to approve the absence of Cllr Lauren Scott-Turner.

**FC24/25-136 Minutes of Full Council held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

Council RESOLVED that the draft minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 14 November 2024, be accepted as a true copy; duly signed by the Chair.

**FC24/25-137 Public Art Update**

Juliet Quintero attended the meeting in person and presented a model of the proposed public art creation. The idea is to create a circular focal point; space where people can come together, with seating. The concept will have poles with creative letters, spelling FAIRFIELDS and will move in the wind. The concept will be presented in the Spring Newsletter for residents to view.

### **FC24/25-138 Finance.**

1. Payments: Council NOTED and RATIFIED the list of payments made from 01/01/25 to 31/01/25.
2. Charge Card: Council NOTED and RATIFIED the transactions made 01/01/25 to 31/01/25.
3. Finance Reports: Council to NOTED the YTD 31/01/25 position versus budget and bank balances as follows: Lloyds Community Account £83,726.78; Lloyds Charge Card -£240.92; Redwood Savings £51,081.83.
4. Grants: There were no grants to consider.

### **FC24/25-139 Community Bus Service.**

To consider, in principle, participating in a joint project with other bordering councils, for the provision of a bus service to run one day per week initially to assist primarily in access to surgeries.

Council agreed to express an interest in this project and await further detailed information on costs, logistics and carriers. Clerk to confirm the outcome to the other Clerks from Whitehouse, Stony Stratford, Haversham, Wolverton & Greenleys, Bradwell and New Bradwell, who came together to discuss the initial idea.

**FC24/25-140** To agree MKPA (Milton Keynes Play Association) proposed play sessions for 2025. Council agreed the following dates, which would be advertised shortly:

#### **Indoor Easter Play Sessions**

Thur 10/04 12h30-16h30 £520

Thur 17/04 12h30-16h30 £520

Hire The Sport Hub Hall

#### **Outdoor Summer Sessions**

Fri 01/08 09h30-11h30 £520

Fri 08/08 09h30-11h30 £520

Fri 15/08 09h30-11h30 £520

Fri 22/08 09h30-11h30 £520

Fri 29/08 09h30-11h30 £520

#### **Outdoor Summer Teen Sessions**

Tues 29/07 13h30-16h30 £1461

Tues 12/08 13h30-16h30 £1461

Tues 26/08 13h30-16h30 £1461

Look at cost of hiring a sport field or use Local Play area 4.

### **FC24/25-141 Reports.**

1. Clerk: reported:  
**Noticeboard**; had chased Greenbarnes for an update on delivery date.  
**Youth Work Survey**; had only received a response from three residents.  
**Green Clothing Bin**; the company knows our number and is refusing to respond. Cllr Surjeet Singh said he would try to call and see if he could get a response.
2. Councillors: there were no reports to consider.
3. Milton Keynes City Council (MKCC): no update received from Paul van Geete.
4. Developer (Barratts/David Wilson):  
**Allotment Transfer**; Clerk to liaise with MKCC as there appears to be some confusion.  
**Tesco Opening**; Looking to open around 20/21<sup>st</sup> February 25.

**Road Surfacing;** this will commence in circa April 25, when the daytime temperatures are acceptable for the type of material which they are required to lay.

**Café;** no further updates.

**GSN Exclusion Fencing;** their Ecologist has advised the conditions do not allow for the removal at present, hopefully can commence in March.

5. Fairfields Sports Hub: nothing to update.

**FC24/25-142 Allotment Water Charges.**

Council to discuss and agree next steps in water charges following installation of water meters at both allotment sites.

Council reviewed and agreed the communication to go out to all allotment tenants this month.

**FC24/25-143 Planning Applications** (list circulated prior to meeting).

To review, consider and make a resolution as to responses to the following (*subject to further Planning Applications being notified after publication of this Agenda*).

PLN/25/200 At: Land Adjacent to Tudor Gardens, Stony Stratford.

Proposal: Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness for the proposed new Redway and associated works (Regulation 3 application under the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992).

Council RESOLVED not to make any comments.

**FC24/25-144 Licensing Applications** (list circulated prior to meeting).

To review, consider and make a resolution as to responses to the following (*subject to further Licensing Applications being notified after publication of this Agenda*). There were no applications to consider.

**FC24/25-145 Consultations/Surveys.**

1. Strengthening the standards and conduct framework for local authorities in England - GOV.UK deadline 26/02/24.

Council AGREED that they were not experienced enough to fully understand the detail of this survey. Councillors to respond individually if they wish to do so.

**FC24/25-146 Future Agenda Items and next Meeting(s).**

1. Future agenda items for consideration. Agree the events calendar dates for 2025.
2. Council NOTED the next full council meeting on Thursday 13 March 2025 at 19h00.

Meeting ended at 20h15