



# MINUTES OF THE PROJECTS COMMITTEE

## Held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 7.30 pm at York House Centre @London Road, Stony Stratford MK11 1JQ

**Present:** Cllrs Paul Bartlett, Bianca Bendig-Cessay, Hannah O'Neill and Keith Tilley (Chair) (4 Committee members).

**Absent:** Cllrs Paul Randall and Tom Welch (see also Min J98/21 Apologies for Absence)

**In attendance:** Karen Hiser (Deputy Town Clerk).

### **J116/21 QUESTIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

There were no members of the public and no members of the press present.

### **J117/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN RESPECT OF RELEVANT ITEMS OF BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA.**

There were none.

### **J118/21 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION.**

in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 S33. There were none.

### **J119/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Committee **RESOLVED** to approve apologies from Cllrs Paul Randall and Tom Welch.

### **J120/21 5. MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> July 2021.**

Committee **RESOLVED** to approve as an accurate record of the meeting. The minutes were subsequently submitted to the Chair for signing.

### **J121/21 5.1 OFFICER UPDATE REPORT.**

Committee **NOTED** the report and the following actions were **AGREED**:

**J122/21** All agencies concerned with bankside vegetation and river clearing be contacted to assess the possibility of clearing the overgrown vegetation extending into the river at 1. the western edge of the river behind Ousebank Way; 2. the Mill Race.

**Action: DTC to contact EA, Parks Trust, MKC**

### **J123/21 6. GENERAL SERVICES REPORT.**

Committee **NOTED** the report.

### **J124/21 7. PROJECTS REGISTER UPDATE.**


Committee **NOTED** the updates and the following actions were agreed:

### **J125/21 062/DTC/1020 IMPROVEMENTS TO EGMONT AVENUE/CLAREMONT AVENUES CORNER.**

Committee **NOTED** parishioner comments regarding the effect of bollards versus grasscrete on vehicle access and further **NOTED** the comments have been forwarded to MKC Highways Department. Committee **AGREED** to await response from MKC prior to any further action being agreed.

**Action: DTC to inform October Projects Committee of any further decisions by MKC Highways**

### **J126/21 8. 070/DTC/0221 FENCING IMPROVEMENTS TO TOWN COUNCIL ALLOTMENTS**

Committee **NOTED** the trampled fencing alongside Boundary Crescent (BC) allotments western edge belongs to the neighbouring properties and **AGREED** that MKC Housing should be approached to fix the fencing, or direct the Town Council to the appropriate Housing 

Association. Committee also **AGREED** that costings for the following priority 1 areas should be clarified and presented to October Projects Committee: 1. BC allotments double gate: drop lock and chain-link hole, c£211. 2. Wolverton Road (WR) allotments fencing from north-western corner, behind Rocket playpark, to area currently secured with Herras fencing, c£5171.40; 3. WR allotments southern tip, bordering front drive of neighbouring property on Wolverton Road, currently has no fence, c£1093.95. Committee **AGREED** on the selection of contractors A and B to be approached for updated costs for the noted priority 1 areas. Committee also **AGREED** that resident of the property on London Road should be notified.

**Action: DTC to: 1. contact MKC Housing Department (BC fence); 2. Obtain updated costs; 3. Notify Wolverton Road resident**

**J127/21 9. ALLOTMENT TENANT TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND APPLICATION FORM**

Committee **NOTED** the report and **AGREED** all changes.

**Action: DTC to make changes to T&Cs and application form.**

**J128/21 10. CLAREMONT AVENUE VERGE FLOWER PLANTING PROPOSAL BY RESIDENTS**

Committee **NOTED** the resident report. Committee also **NOTED** MKC advice that flower planting on a verge is classed by MKC Highways as opening up the verge and requires a licence. Committee **AGREED** that the Claremont Flower Group should apply to MKC Highways directly for permission to plant.

**Action: DTC to advise the Claremont Flower Group.**

**J129/21 11. PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING HUBS SCHEME**

Committee **AGREED** to **RECOMMEND** the following locations to be considered for EV charging hubs: Stony Stratford car parks, those being: Silver Street (Horn Lane); Ostlers Lane; London Road (Hawkins Close); Mill Lane; Cock Hotel and King Street. Fullers Slade car parking areas, those being: Shearmans shopping area and opposite Rowans Centre. Galley Hill car parking area, this being Barford shopping area. The Committee also **AGREED** to **RECOMMEND** Fullers Slade and Galley Hill as priority areas as they currently have no EV charge points.

**Action: TC/ DTC to submit area recommendations to MKC.**

**J130/21 12. HALLOWEEN AND CHRISTMAS FARMERS MARKET SEASONAL ATTRACTIONS**

Committee **NOTED** that proposed expenditure of £500 for Halloween MKPA stall/craft bags, £500 for Christmas MKPA stall/bags and c£221.25 for Christmas entertainment is within the current Farmers Market and Play Session budgets, and **RECOMMEND** that the craft bags and Christmas attractions are purchased.


**Action DTC to book seasonal attractions, pending Full Council approval.**

**J131/21 13. EVENTS WORKING GROUP UPDATE.**

Committee **NOTED** report and updated projected library works completion date of 13<sup>th</sup> December and **AGREED** that, pending response from MKC Libraries, the Mayor should be provisionally booked for midday, Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**ACTION: DTC to provisionally book the mayor, pending advice from MKC libraries.** *KAT*

**Meeting Closed: 20.59**

Chairman signature..........Dated.....5-10-21

*Dates of future meetings: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021*

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