

**Minutes of the meeting of Council held on  
Tuesday 20 January 2026, 7.30pm  
at the  
CPCC Community Hub, Springfield Boulevard, Springfield**

This meeting was open to the Public

**Members Present**

Cllr L Adura	Cllr D Kendrick
Cllr O Cole	Cllr K Kent
Cllr V Dixon	Cllr B Macharia
Cllr R Golding (Vice Chair)	Cllr F Mangan
Cllr B Greenwood (Chair)	Cllr R McCafferty
Cllr J Howard	Cllr J Messent
Cllr H Kakei	Cllr D Pafford
Cllr K Kavarana	Cllr M Petchey

**In Attendance**

D Warner, Clerk to Council  
P Sullivan, Deputy Clerk

**164/25**

**Apologies for Absence**

Cllr B Barton – unwell

**165/25**

**Declarations of Interest**

None

**166/25**

**Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 16 December 2025**

The Minutes of the meeting, having previously been circulated and taken as read, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**167/25**

**Public Involvement – Deputations, Petitions and Questions**

Four members of the public were present.

**168/25**

**Chair's Report**

The Chair gave a brief update on ongoing developments with the location/capacity of Fishermead Medical Centre. The Centre owners and MKCC are pleased with the ongoing progress and updates will be provided once available.

It is generally quiet over this period, no negative reports have been received. The Chair will be speaking with councillors to develop future ideas and utilise their skills.

**169/25**

**Clerk's Report**

The Clerk reported that it had been a slow start to the year, resident wise, and officer time has been concerned with work related to agenda item 10. Despite stories in the media regarding uncertainty surrounding local council elections, MKCC have confirmed that elections will be going ahead in May 2026.

**170/25**

**Ward Member Reports**

- i. Council is invited to receive any verbal Ward Member Reports.

Cllr Adura has successfully applied to become a governor of MKUH and thanked Officers for alerting her to the position.

Cllr Kavarana reported flooding in the underpass which links Springfield with Campbell Park. It is continually flooded every time it rains. Cllr Petchey to raise with MKCC.

Cllr Kakei highlighted a recent Springfield vehicle issue, including associated damage to Parks Trust property.

- ii. Council is invited to note that no written reports have been received.

**171/25**

**To receive draft minutes (including recommendations) from Committees. Any Member questions arising from matters detailed in the minutes to be raised under the relevant Committee**

**a. Minutes of the Planning, Infrastructure & Transport Committee**

**Chair: Cllr B Greenwood**

Council received the minutes

**b. Minutes of the Personnel Committee**

**Chair: Cllr K Kent**

Council received the minutes

**c. Minutes of the Estates Committee**

**Chair: Cllr R Golding**

Council received the minutes and agreed to ratify 2 (i,ii) items.

**i. Draft Minute 42/25 ii - Campbell Park Community Council (CPCC) Community Centres**

**Hall Hire Fees – Annual Increase Review**

Committee reviewed current hall hire fees of all community centres and resolved to recommend to Council that they be increased by 3.2% with prices rounded up/down to the nearest 50p per hour from April 2026 onwards.

**ii. Draft Minute 43/25 - Community Centre Lead Member Report – Community Centres within CPCC Wards**

Committee received and considered a report from the community centre lead member relating to community centres within CPCC wards, resolving to recommend the following actions to Council:

- To continue to develop the Hub and to congratulate Officers for the work to date
- To hold a ‘watching brief’ in relation to Willen Pavillion and to let MKCC know that under certain conditions, we might be interested in an Asset Transfer.

**172/25 Appointments to Committees**

Council considered and agreed a Councillor request that they be appointed to the following Committee:

Cllr Jasmine Messent - Planning, Infrastructure & Transport.

**173/25 Changes to Practitioners Guide 2025/26 - Assertion 10 Readiness**

**i. Compliance Check, Breakthrough Communication**

Council is invited to receive a verbal report from the Clerk regarding plans for Breakthrough Communications to complete an Assertion 10 compliance check.

The Clerk and Deputy Clerk met with Breakthrough Communications earlier this week and they have provided a clear direction of travel to follow which will involve some new practices being adopted, work around data protection and website. A more comprehensive report and resulting actions will be available at the next meeting.

**Confidential Item**

**In view of the terms of Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, the following item\* will be likely to disclose exempt information relating to establishment and contractual matters and Council is therefore invited to resolve that pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 1(2) the public and press be excluded.**

**\*Item 10**

**174/25 Community Hub – Community Café Operation**

Council is invited to receive a verbal report from the Clerk to Council on the progression of new arrangements for the operation of the Community Café, including the recent provision of £2,450 of Council funding to enable the café operator to continue trading at the beginning of the New Year. Council is further invited to consider the appropriateness of providing additional Council funding to the café operator if it is unable to cover its financial liabilities on an ongoing basis.

Council resolved to agree a maximum amount of funding to support the café operation for a period of up to three months, using that time to develop a new strategy and operating model for the café. Council resolved to create a working group to develop the new strategy and operating model for the café:

Working group - Cllrs K Kent, D Pafford, V Dixon, R McCafferty, F Mangan, J Howard, O Cole and B Greenwood

**175/25 Vacant Seat – Fishermead Ward**

Following the withdrawal of one prospective candidate, Council considered two candidates for co-option as a Community Councillor to fill the vacant seat on the Fishermead ward.

Once both candidates had addressed the council, a vote was taken and Jane Whild was successfully co-opted as councillor for the Fishermead ward.

**176/25 Councillor Vacancy – Oldbrook Ward**

Council noted that an election was not called for the vacant Oldbrook seat, Council is now able to fill the vacancy using the co-option process.

**177/25 Upcoming Events (Community Hub)**

Springfield Craft Club – Saturdays monthly 1pm-3pm – The Nest  
Citizens Advice MK – Wednesdays fortnightly – Wellbeing Room/The Nest  
Community Larder - Wednesdays, 2pm-4pm  
Seated Exercise – every Monday at 1.30pm – Council Chamber  
MK Lymphoma Support Group 2pm-4pm – first Thursday of every month – The Nest  
Knit & Natter – every Thursday – 11.30-12.30 – All Good Cafe  
Golden Memories Thrive Club 1pm – 4pm – last Friday of every month– The Nest  
Yoga classes – Mondays 10am -11am – Council Chamber  
Adult Dance Fitness – Wednesdays 10am -11am – Council Chamber

**178/25 Dates of Future Committee & Working Group Meetings**

Community & Communications – 27 January 2026 at 6.30pm  
Planning – 2 February 2026 at 6.30pm  
Heritage Arts & Culture Working Group – 17 February 2026 at 6.30pm

**179/25 Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 17 February 2026 at 7.30pm