

**Minutes of the meeting of Council held on
Tuesday 16 June 2026, 7.30pm
at the
CPCC Community Hub, Springfield Boulevard, Springfield**

This meeting was open to the public

Members Present

Cllr L Adura	Cllr B Macharia
Cllr B Barton	Cllr F Mangan
Cllr V Dixon	Cllr R McCafferty
Cllr R Golding (Vice Chair)	Cllr I Opoku
Cllr J Howard	Cllr D Pafford
Cllr K Kavarana	Cllr M Petchey
Cllr D Kendrick	Cllr J Whild
Cllr K Kent	

In Attendance

D Warner, Clerk to Council
P Sullivan, Deputy Clerk

In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair chaired the meeting.

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Apologies for Absence

Cllr O Cole – work commitment
Cllr B Greenwood – personal commitment
Cllr J Messent - personal commitment

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Declarations of Interest

None

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- 41/26 Signing of the Declaration of Office**
Council noted that the Vice Chair, who was not present at the Annual Meeting of Council, signed the Acceptance of Office prior to this meeting.
- 42/26 Public Involvement – Deputations, Petitions and Questions**
None
- 43/26 Chair’s Report**
The Vice Chair had nothing to report.
- 44/26 Clerk’s Report**
Council received a verbal report from the Clerk, who confirmed he had been selected to join the Parish Working Group tasked with strengthening the relationship between Parish Councils and MKCC customer services. The Clerk requested insight from Councillors on issues they had experienced and ideas for resolving them. The Clerk highlighted two items from the latest MKCC weekly update bulletins, the online planning resources and the out of hours emergency contact numbers. The Clerk concluded by promoting the BMKALC Charing Skills session on 24 September in Aylesbury.
- 45/26 Ward Member Reports**
- i. Council is invited to receive any verbal Ward Member Reports.
Cllrs Kent, Pafford, McCafferty and Whild reported on Ward matters.
 - ii. Council noted that no written reports had been received.
- 46/26 Register of Interests – Home Addresses**
As referenced at the last meeting of Council, an important amendment has been introduced to the Localism Act 2011 which will take effect on 29 June and requires that Councils do not publish details of a Councillor’s home address in their Registers of Interest unless an individual Councillor explicitly requests it.
- Those members who still wish to have their home address shown on their Register of Interest must now opt-in using this form:
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/6Y9i1My9U1> before 29 June 2026.
- If you have already applied for and been granted a sensitive interest for your home address or are a new Councillor and have asked that your home address is not published, you need take no further action and it will remain withheld until 29 June.
- Councillors must still apply for a sensitive interest if they wish to request that any other Disclosable Pecuniary, or Other Registerable Interests are withheld from their published registers. This includes other property or land in Milton Keynes that is not a home address.

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**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 Committee

Chair: Cllr B Greenwood

Council received the minutes and noted 1 item (i)

i. Updating Local Flood Risk Management Strategy - Informal Consultation

Committee noted that MKCC are seeking views to help them better manage flood risk and protect homes, neighbourhoods, and services across Milton Keynes.

The survey can be completed via this link: [Milton Keynes Local Flood Risk Management Strategy](#) or you can also request a copy of the survey and respond by emailing LLFA@milton-keynes.gov.uk

[Find out more about Flood and water management in Milton Keynes](#) at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/flood-and-water-management

Committee resolved to respond individually to the consultation with Council requested to note this consultation for wider input.

b. Minutes of the Finance Committee

Chair: Cllr B Barton

Council received the minutes and resolved to adopt 1 item (i)

i. Draft Minute 07/26 Community Council Asset Register

Committee reviewed the updated Asset Register and resolved to recommend it to Council.

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Licensing and Planning Applications

Due to submission deadlines, Council is invited to consider and comment on the proposed licensing and planning applications:

i. Application ref: PLN/2026/0846

Conversion of garage into habitable room at 14 FALCON AVENUE,
SPRINGFIELD, MILTON KEYNES, MK6 3HH

<https://www.be.milton-keynes.gov.uk/pr/s/detail/a0lWS000004GMDa>

Council resolved to return a no comment response with a caveat that any future installation of a door and window to the converted garage be subject to submission of an appropriate planning application.

ii. Application ref: PLN/2026/0904

Demolition of existing detached garage and conservatory, erection of a two storey rear extension, single storey front and rear extensions and new chimneystack to side of existing house. Construction of new entrance gates, boundary wall and detached garage at 17 COWDRAY CLOSE, WOOLSTONE, MILTON KEYNES, MK15 0AP

<https://www.be.milton-keynes.gov.uk/pr/s/detail/a0lWS000004JtBN>

Council noted the significant level of local objection to this proposal as well as the objections lodged in relation to local ecology. Having considered the detailed comments submitted by local residents, some Members were concerned that the application lacked the necessary level of detail required to be able to make a fully informed comment or objection on the proposal. Due to the level of local objection, Council resolved to request that this application be considered by the Planning Panel, if the Planning Officer concludes that this application be recommended for approval.

iii. Application ref: PLN/2026/0499

Proposed single-storey rear extension with 3no. rooflights at 2 CARTERET CLOSE, WILLEN, MILTON KEYNES, MK15 9LD

<https://www.be.milton-keynes.gov.uk/pr/s/detail/a0lWS000003sv4P>

Council resolved to return a no comment response.

Cllr Adura left the meeting (20.38)

49/26 Community Hub – Working Group Update

Council received a verbal report from the Clerk, confirming that all defects had been addressed and resolved by Steele and Bray. The associated completion certificates had been issued by Stenton Obhi Architects and Currie Brown, resulting in an invoice for £38,235 plus VAT (updated amount) from Steele and Bray, payment to be made by 1 July.

Council further noted the necessity to retain the Community Hub Working Group for a period of up to three months to conclude all outstanding matters relating to both the contract and the wider development of the Community Hub.

50/26 Community Hub Café

Council received an update on progress between Council and the new café operator in agreeing arrangements for the operation and opening of the Community Café.

51/26 Updated Meetings Schedule 2026-27

Council noted and received an updated copy of the meetings schedule for 2026-27.

52/26 Dates of Future Committee & Working Group Meetings

Sustainability – 22 June at 6.30pm
Planning – 6 July at 6.30pm
Personnel – 7 July at 6.30pm
Estates – 14 July at 6.30pm

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Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 21 July 2026 at 7.30pm