

Minutes for the meeting of Moulsoe Parish Council held on  
**Tuesday 9 March 2021, remotely via Team meeting at 8pm**

Present Councillors (PC): Chair Steve Waters (SW); Deputy Chair Nigel Richards (NR); Chris Oakley-Holton (COH); Belinda Oakley-Holton (BOH); John Hamilton (JH)

Ward Councillors (WC): David Hosking (DH); Keith McLean (KM)

Guests: Councillor Wilson-Marklew

Public: None

Clerk: Kay Hamilton (KH)

Prefix for all minute items **2103/**

**As a remote meeting, any documents requiring a signature will be signed after the meeting at the earliest opportunity.**

- 1. To Receive Apologies for Absence:** Apologies received from Ward Councillor Geary
- 2. Disclosures of Interests:** SW employer hosts the domain for the village website. NR is a tenant on land allocated in MK East, no financial interest.
- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Council **APPROVED** the minutes of the meeting on Tuesday 12 January 2021
- 4. Public Representations:** There were no views or questions submitted
- 5. Demand Responsive Transport (DRT):** Cllr Wilson-Marklew detailed the new transport scheme beginning in April 2021 throughout Milton Keynes.

Scheme will be launched on 1 April 2021 and branded as MK Connect

It's a system where you will be able to get a bus where you want when you want

Collection will be within 400m of your location and arrive within 45 minutes. Currently that time is closer to 20 minutes

Will need to book it through an app, via phone or PC

This should be an improvement for rural communities

DRT will run 7 am – 11pm, and 9 am – 6.30 pm on Sunday

Cost will be £2.50 off peak and £3.50 on peak 7 am – 9.30 am and 4.30 pm-6.30 pm

Able to use bus passes and all in one card

30% of vehicles have disabled access, and are all electric

Payment is by credit/debit card via the app or phone an alternative payment method will be MK Move card that can be topped up and used for payment in the vehicles

This has been trialled within MK at Tattenhoe, and on the route of service 28. The vehicles are 12 seater mini-buses. Routes and pick-up are worked out via algorithms

Buses have to be pre booked. This service will pick up multiple passengers along the route

Charging of the vehicles has been factored in to the system, Cllr Wilson-Marklew will provide further information on the charging of the vehicles

This is a 3 year contract

It will open up the public transport system to many more residents within MK

There will not be ability to set up a regular booking

Via-van will be operating the system, they are sourcing and operating the vehicles

MK is interlacing the service with a commercial bus services

Going forward the possibility of Mass Rapid Transport (MRT) that run up and down the grid roads between hubs and the DRT will be able to link in together

The MRT planned in MK East is being looked at within the DRT and MRT teams

- 6. Ward Councillor's Report:** MK Council budget was set last week at 2.49%. Ward Councillors did ask for some amendments particularly relating to flooding in the villages, but they weren't taken forward. PCSO Pat Flynn is retiring at the end of the month.

7. **Police Report:** No figures were available

8. **Parish Council Business & Matters Arising from Last Minutes:**

8.1 **MK East** – KM thanked SW for his comments regarding how the consultation brochure envelope was addressed to residents. Concerns were expressed at the very plain addressed envelope containing the Consultation brochure. Council suggest that any information to the residents should have been more clearly marked or even just post the brochure without any covering. Clerk has contacted St James, regarding the plainness of the envelope has yet to receive a reply. WC asked for any reply to be forwarded on to them. HIF – MK Council have access to the money and there are conditions including timescales as to when it needs to be spent. This development is unlikely to be stopped now. There is a need now to mitigate what is going to happen over the next 10 years. If the money had not been allocated in the Government budget 2020 this development would not be going ahead at this point in time. If MK east is unstoppable then the Oxford Cambridge arc need a green belt around it and to the north of Moulsoe would be the obvious area to have one to stop development stretching further. It would help the other villages in the Olney ward. PC should send this suggestion to Ben Everitt.

PC has only had 2 enquiries regarding MK East. Residents may have replied directly to Ben Everitt and St James.

All residents had received a letter from Ben Everitt, Clerk to request from Ben's office the number of letters sent and if residents have responded, what percentage replied.

Environmental claims will need to be looked at when the planning application is received.

Focus of the development was dependant on HIF bid, it doesn't seem that that HIF was costed properly. Money to be used for bridge as well as schools etc. WC did challenge the costings when the bid was being prepared.

St. James have offered a follow-up meeting, Council will need to discuss further points that they will want to raise and wait for any feedback from residents. It is important the PC continue to have conversations with the developers. Possibly organise a virtual meeting with the residents.

There will be extra traffic through Moulsoe and there is no sensible route to Cranfield. Council needs to mitigate the impact on the village and residents during the build and the routing of the road to Cranfield.

Clerk to alter website to include MK East and to produce a Moulsoe Mail for the end of March.

8.2 **Traffic & Roads** – SIDS are back from Astwood, not yet deployed in Moulsoe.

The road conditions near the pond are deteriorating and potholes are appearing. Clerk has reported the conditions of the road, will chase and copy in WC. Last bend before the village gates flooded at times, possible blocked/collapsed drain, Clerk to report to MK Council (MKC).

8.3 **Code of Conduct** – Clerk advised Council that MKC are currently consulting on the revised code and had not yet adopted. Council deferred any adoption until May meeting.

9. **Parish Councillor Reports:**

NR – concerns regarding walkers from Brooklands into the Parish not following the country code. NR will speak to Rights of Way officer and look into signage available from NFU.

Village hall is having the paving realigned whilst it is closed due to trip hazards.

JH – will be attending Parishes forum meeting on 18 March

COH – can the purchase and installation of the defibrillator for the phone box be actioned, costings to be available for May meeting

## 10. Finance & Administration

### 10.1 Accounts

10.1.1 **SW** confirmed Barclays Account Balance of £10670.64

10.1.2 Council **APPROVED** the accounts as at 29 February 2021

10.1.3 Council **APPROVED** payments for  
Clerks Salary January and February 2021

10.2 **Correspondence:** SW had received a letter from a resident regarding MK East, he had replied.

### Meeting Closed 22.03

Signed

Dated

**Next Parish Council Meeting** Tuesday 11 May 2021 8.30pm