



Wavendon Parish Council

Update from your Unitary Councillor– April 2025



Fly Tipping – Bow Brickhill Road



Reported fly tipping on several occasions along Bow Brickhill Road at its junction with Paddocks Lane. The situation has worsened in recent weeks

Quote from a local resident *By the way, my son is now taking the Loop bus to the gym in Kingston and back. Apparently, the chat on the bus was how great the bus was!*



Bin Charges Residents report that when they asked for the large green garden waste bin two/three years ago they were told that they were out of stock and two small green bins were delivered instead. Residents did not mind this at the time, but now they are planning to charge for more than one bin we feel that we should not be penalised and be provided with a large bin. We would be very grateful if the PC and or ward member could assist.



A new Universal theme park will

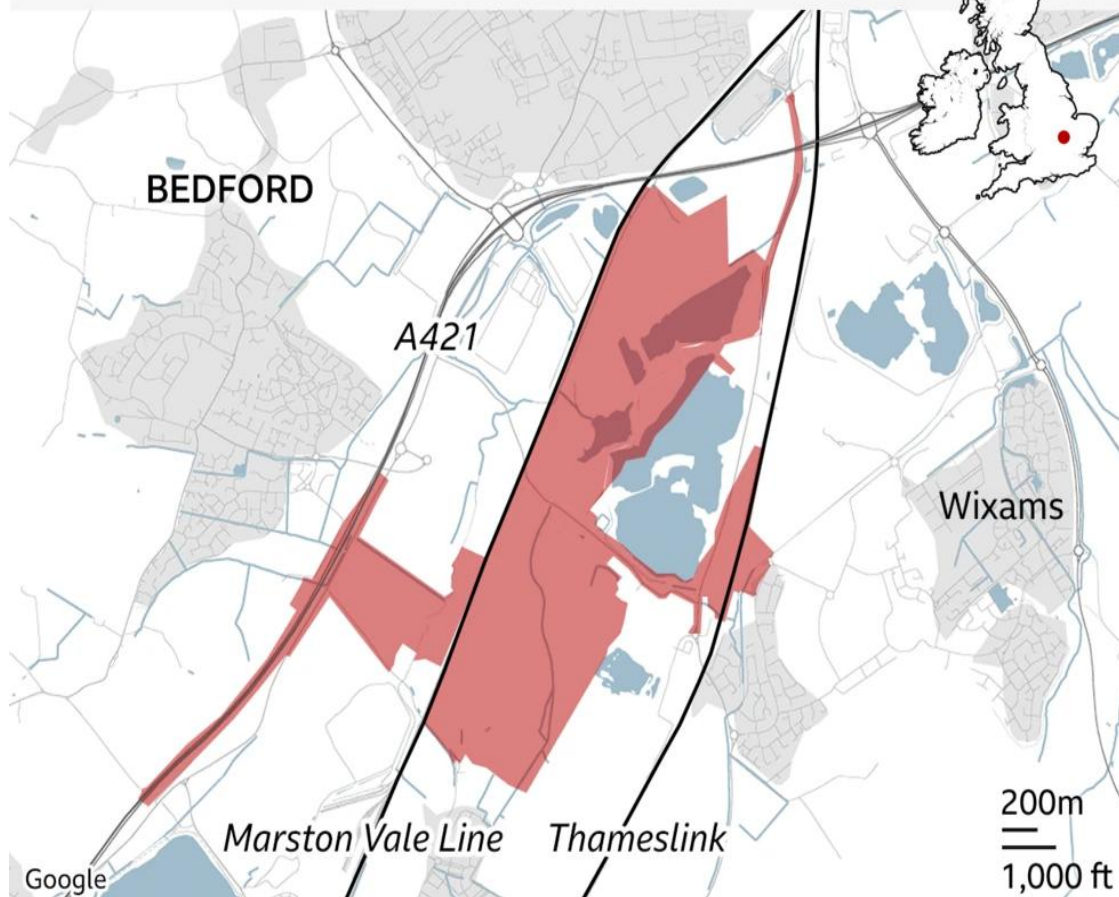
be built in the UK, it has been confirmed.

It will be constructed on the site of the former Kempston Hardwick brickworks near Bedford and is expected to generate 28,000 jobs before it opens in 2031.

Universal estimated the 476-acre complex could attract 8.5 million visitors in its first year and generate £50bn for the UK economy by 2055.

Universal's planned Bedford development

■ Potential site size: 700 acres (2.8sq km)



Source: Universal Destinations & Experiences

BBC



Stockwell lane – after repeated pressure additional pot hole filling and white line marking and renewals have been undertaken on Stockwell Lane.



Residents now have to subscribe for additional green bin collections.

In Milton Keynes, the first green bin remains free, but residents can opt-in to a paid subscription service for additional green bin collections (second or third bin) for food and garden waste, costing £55 per bin per year, starting from May 12, 2025.

Here's a more detailed breakdown:

Free First Bin: Your standard green bin for food and garden waste will continue to be collected for free.

Paid Subscription: If you need a second or third green bin, you'll need to subscribe to the paid service.

Subscription Cost: The annual subscription cost is £55 per bin.

Service Start Date: The service for additional green bins **starts on May 12, 2025.**

Subscription Period: The subscription runs from May 12, 2025, to March 31, 2026.

How to Sign Up: You can subscribe to the service online or by contacting the council.

https://mycouncil.milton-keynes.gov.uk/service/Request_Additional_Green_Bins

Contact Information: To request additional recycling sacks or for other waste-related inquiries, contact Customer Services at 01908 252570 or email customerservices@milton-keynes.gov.uk
<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/subscribe-additional-green-bin-collections>

Resubmission of approved development - South Caldecotte Phase 2 (see attached file)

From: Jamie Loxley - BA(Hons) MSc MRTPI (Planning Assistant) Michael Sparks Associates

I am writing in relation to the land off Brickhill Street at South Caldecotte on behalf of my client PLP who has two reserved matters approvals, to develop either a single employment unit (ref. 22/02410/REM) or three employment units (ref. 22/02311/REM) at the site. Both approvals were granted by Milton Keynes Council in May 2023, with a standard duration of 2 years and are therefore due to lapse in May 2025. Since these approvals were granted, development has not yet commenced but discussions have been ongoing with potential occupiers. To provide certainty in respect of these ongoing discussions and to allow a quick response to provide the premises needed to meet the demand from businesses, the proposals are therefore being resubmitted to renew the reserved matters permissions.

As these applications are effectively resubmissions of already approved schemes, no changes are proposed to the proposals in respect of landscaping, appearance, layout and scale from the approved position. It remains that the applications will be for both a single unit scheme and a three-unit scheme for flexible B2 and B8 use.

For reference, I have attached the approved Site Location Plan as well as the two approved Site Context Plans which are being resubmitted with this application.

We wanted to make you aware of these proposals and to provide the opportunity to answer any queries that you may have about these resubmissions.

Should you require any further information about these proposals then please let me know.

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MK City Plan 2050 – Save the Date

‘Our new plan, the MK City Plan 2050, is an important planning document that sets out how Milton Keynes will change and grow in the years ahead.

Please save the date for an in-person information session at **19.00 on 10 September**, which will cover details about the final draft of the MK City Plan and its consultation.

Informed by comments made during the draft Plan (Regulation 18) stage and the finalised evidence, the final draft MK City Plan 2050 (also known as Regulation 19, or proposed submission') will be published for consultation for six weeks starting in September.

More details will be sent out nearer the time including how to register for the session.



New service will offer a lifeline to thousands of unpaid carers

Milton Keynes City Council is preparing to launch a new service that will make it easier for thousands of unpaid carers to get practical help and support.

The city council estimates that there could be 21,000 unpaid carers in MK, including many young carers who look after family members who could not cope without their help. This may be due to illness, disability, a mental health problem or an addiction.

The city council is investing more than £2million over five years in The Carers Support Service, which will be available from May.

Delivered by Citizens Advice Milton Keynes, it combines a range of specialist assistance for unpaid carers of all ages, with face-to-face and phone support plus online help. Carers will be helped to unlock money and benefits, guided on making plans for emergencies and much more. It will also offer opportunities for carers to meet people in similar situations and form new bonds.

The Carers Support Service will be available to anyone who provides regular care for a friend or family member who lives in Milton Keynes.

Specialist organisations within the Carers Support Service will focus on young carers and young adult carers. There will also be dedicated support for those who care for older people, people with mental health conditions, with a learning disability or neurodivergence.

The City Council provides a minimum direct payment of £240 for unpaid carers alongside access to additional assistance that will vary for individuals. For further information on the support available to unpaid carers, please visit <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/adult-social-care/support-adult-social-care/carers-assessment-adult-carers>



IF: Milton Keynes International Festival was founded in 2010 and takes place every two years. It is produced by The Stables, one of the UK's leading music organisations and venues, based in Milton Keynes.

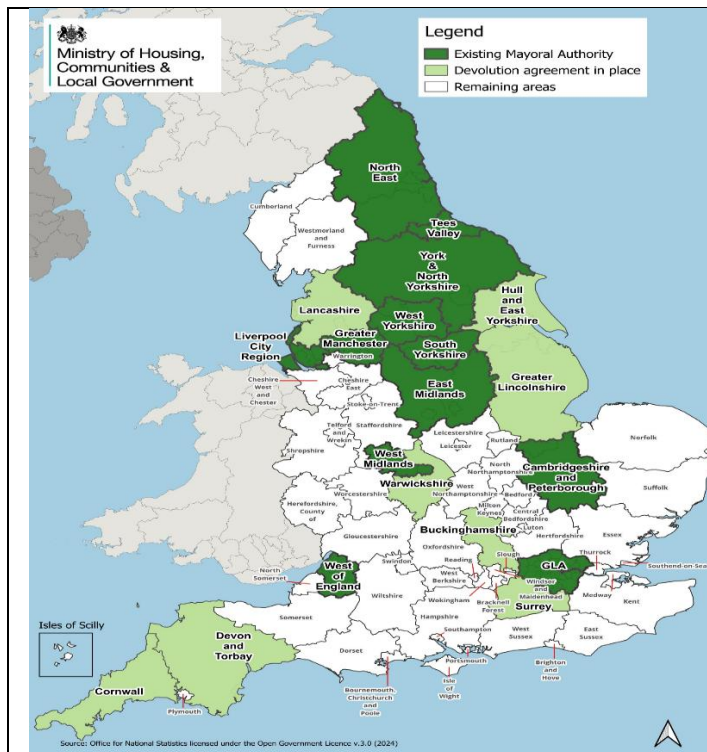
Creating unique and memorable experiences, the festival is designed to encourage residents and visitors to see a different side to Milton Keynes. Presenting a world-class, multi-arts programme the festival includes new commissions, site-specific and community participation projects, large-scale/outdoor and family events, concerts, theatre, dance, music and visual arts installations.

Engaging over a million people in seven previous editions (2010 - 2023), the festival takes place in locations across Milton Keynes, including parks, public squares, commercial and retail spaces, as well as in the online and digital realm.

The festival is supported by Arts Council England and Milton Keynes Council, and also raises funds through trusts and foundations and partnerships with individuals and businesses. More at ... <https://ifmiltonkeynes.org/>

And at ...

<https://stables.org/whats-on/category/if-milton-keynes-international-festival-2025/page-2>



Devolution

MK won't be in the devolution priority programme.

You may have heard about government plans to create more regional authorities and mayors. These do not replace the existing councils, or take any work from them, but they are able to take on roles and responsibilities delegated from national government. The Leader of Milton Keynes City Council set out our interest in being in the 'priority programme' with Luton, Central Bedfordshire and Bedford Borough. Another proposal from North and West Northamptonshire councils was also made, suggesting a regional authority and mayor covering their area as well as Luton, Central Bedfordshire and Bedford Borough and Milton Keynes.

There will be later opportunities to join the devolution programme, perhaps for a 2027 start. We remain committed to the potential that devolution brings and to working with partners to move decision-making out of Westminster and closer to local people.

There was also a press release issued, which can be found here Devolution statement: Cllr Pete Marland | Milton Keynes City Council <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/news/2025/devolution-statement-cllr-pete-marland>



Jennie Lee and the OU

At Cabinet on 4 March, I undertook to provide a written response to the questions from yourself related to the budget and potential sites for the proposed statute for Jenni Lee.

Having spoken with the relevant officer, the first R&D phase of the commission will identify location sites in CMK, alongside commissioning partners including The Open University. CMK public art funds have been identified that could potentially support the delivery of the commission, depending on the final location.

In tandem with the R&D phase, identification of prospective external funders will begin – including Arts Council England, National Lottery Heritage Fund and a number of Trusts and Foundations who have a specialist interest in this area. Once this phase is complete, a final commission Brief will go out to tender.

Councillor Shanika Mahendran

Labour & Co-operative Councillor for Loughton & Shenley ward

Cabinet Member for Planning & Placemaking
Planning, Economic Development, Sustainability, Innovation, Culture & Equalities

Facebook: @CllrShanikaMahendran

Mainstream and Specialist Provision School Place Planning

MKCC has recently updated the mainstream school place planning forward view 2025 and have also developed a specialist provision place planning forward view. These documents are reviewed annually.

<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2025-03/Mainstream%20school%20place%20planning%20forward%20view%202025-26%20final.pdf>

There's a continued need to increase the number of mainstream school places in developing areas of MK but this is still coupled with the need to simultaneously contract places in more established areas. There's also a continued need to increase the number of specialist provision places available across Milton Keynes so that children are educated locally where appropriate and it is possible to do so.

<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2025-03/Specialist%20Provision%20Forward%20View%202024-25%20Final.pdf>

The 'Forward View' allows all stakeholders to see the challenges involved in MK place planning, as well as the opportunities that will be presented in the future.

Comments and feedback are welcomed and can be sent to: sufficiencyandaccess@milton-keynes.gov.uk.

CIF Projects awarded in Danesborough & Walton				
Parish Name	Project	Total Cost	MKCC 50%	Parish 50%
Bow Brickhill	SIDs and poles	£5,894.00	£2,947.00	£2,947.00
Wavendon	Height Protection Barrier	£6,051.11	£3,026.00	£3,025.22

East West Rail



The full set of slides from the EWR presentation of 26 March will be available soon but some highlight slides attached.

- As confirmed on 25 March, Chiltern are operating the service from Oxford to MK via Bletchley. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cdjyvrw1vwo>
- They will recruit 45 Drivers and an additional 13 employees for additional admin functions.
- Questions were asked regarding the possible locations for 'railway depots' and why this had not formed part of the recent consultation. The depots are for turn around and maintenance and for staff turnover and R&R.

- It is proposed to lay superfast broadband alongside the railway, and this is a future topic for a presentation.
- There were numerous questions of a local to specific areas nature – and one regarding how the EWR PR can link to with this year's Rail 200 celebrations.

Recap on the new LRG structure

To recap, the recent changes to the LRGs are based on the new red line boundary (the draft Order Limits). The red line boundary is made up of land that would need to be permanently acquired, and land that would be used temporarily for the construction of EWR.

As part of our commitment to effective community engagement and communication, this restructuring of the LRGs better reflects the section areas presented at the most recent consultation. As such, there are now Enhanced LRGs and a Community LRG.

The Enhanced LRGs are made up of those wards and parishes which fall within the red line boundary and will allow for more focused and effective communication and collaboration between EWR Co and local stakeholders. The Community LRG is for those that were a part of the previous LRG structure but now fall outside of the red line boundary allowing members to remain informed on the project and part of the conversation.

The Order Limits will be subject to further changes as we head into and out of the Development Consent Order examination process.

Enhanced Groups

In total, nine Enhanced LRGs will be in place across the route of EWR. Please note that the Comberton to Shelford group has been split into two groups, these are Comberton to Haslingfield and Foxton to Shelford. The decision to split this group was made due to the complexity of the proposals and specific localised issues in these areas that may be more efficiently addressed by this approach.

The full list is as follows:

- Oxford to Bletchley
- Fenny Stratford to Kempston
- Bedford
- Clapham Green to Colesden
- Roxton to east of St. Neots
- Croxton to Toft
- Comberton to Haslingfield
- Foxton to Shelford
- Cambridge

We are pleased to let you know that Bow Brickhill PC, Woburn Sands TC and Wavendon PC are part of Fenny Stratford to Kempston Enhanced LRG.

If you have already submitted a request to be in an additional group, please know that these are being considered. If you have not submitted a request but would like to do so, you can reply to this email.

The Community Hub

I'm pleased to confirm that we have updated the LRG pages on the Community Hub following these recent changes. You can view membership lists and maps for all groups, and the dedicated page for the Fenny Stratford to Kempston Enhanced LRG can be found here.

<https://eastwestrail.co.uk/community-hub/local-representatives-groups>

We'll be continuously monitoring the pages and updating them based on the feedback we receive. We're also aware that Oxfordshire County Council, Buckinghamshire Council and Cambridgeshire County Council are approaching elections, so further revisions will be made to the groups to reflect this where needed.

As always, we appreciate your input and encourage you to reach out with any questions or suggestions regarding the new programme and Community Hub pages. All information and materials relating to the old LRGs can also still be accessed via the LRG Archive page here.

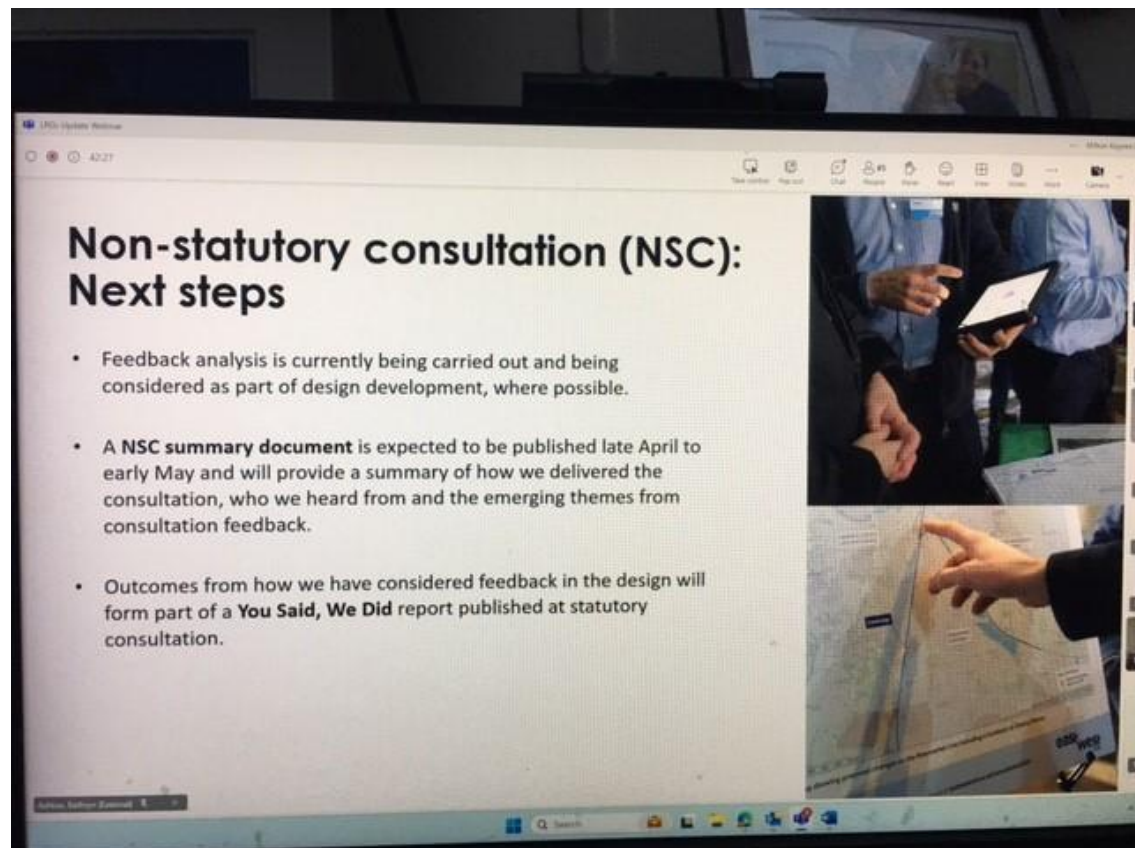
Webinar recording

The recording of the webinar held on Wednesday 26 March, along with a copy of the slides, are now available on the Community Hub. You can view them here.

<https://eastwestrail.co.uk/community-hub/local-representatives-groups#block-2176>

Future meetings

EWR are now busy planning for the first official meetings for the new Enhanced LRGs and will issue invites in the coming weeks.





Key issues for engagement

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NSC is helping to sharpen our focus and steer engagement towards overcoming issues. Engagement will continue to help refine our proposals. At this stage, we can begin to outline some key issues for engagement with you in the run up to statutory consultation.

- **Environmental mitigations** – reducing and mitigating impacts in the best way including traffic, construction, protective provisions and local impact reports
- **Landowner engagement** – providing clarity and certainty with landowners and where we can make improvements
- **Active travel** – maintaining PROWs, encouraging active travel, enabling broader incentives
- **Design developments** – understanding potential changes to design in your area and seeking feedback
- **Area specific issues** – key issues needing multi-disciplinary and at times multi-stakeholder input, including highways, environment and emerging station designs. What other issues do you think require this approach?
- **Stations and localised opportunities** – understanding ways benefits can be designed in locally
- **Traffic and transport and highways** – including construction management plans
- **Your NSC feedback**

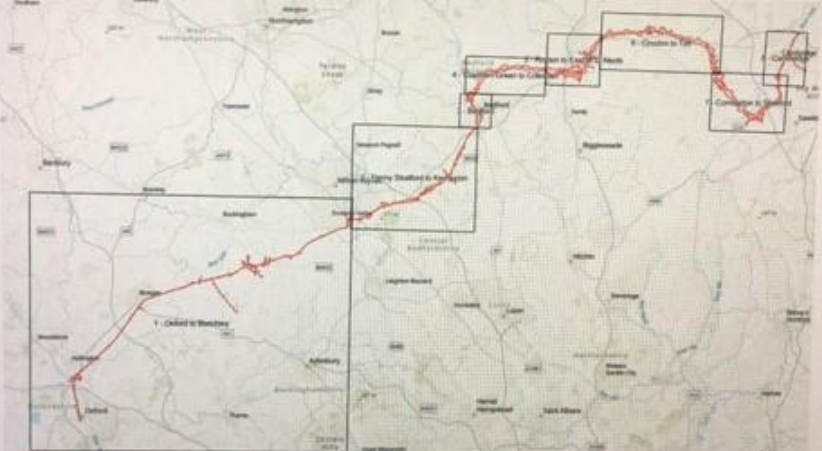
Tracking issues

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We're committed to working to resolve issues as we progress the project, to ensure this informs our design, where possible, and will be seeking to reach agreement on issues as much as possible.

- Issues will be tracked within our Stakeholder Relationship Management system. We will regularly provide visibility of our current live issues trackers within our meetings and can provide issues reports when requested.
- We will use issues topics to determine future engagement, and this will help us to develop agendas for meetings, interactive design workshops, as well as identifying any need for further briefings or workshops.
- Following statutory consultation in early 2026, issues trackers will be used to inform and develop Position Statements where needed with Parish Councils. Issues trackers will also help form a list of Potential Main Issues for the Examination (PMIE) which will be entered into the examination as an application document.

LRG groups and the red line boundary



* Please note this map is not a final version - final maps will be available to view on the Community Hub in the coming days

Enhanced LRGs & Community LRG

Enhanced LRGs

- The Enhanced LRGs will meet quarterly
- We are continuing to review the lists and receive feedback to ensure we have all those within the DOLB.
- The next round of meetings will be in person between the end of April - Mid June to account for some local elections in May.
- Invitations will be issued soon, and more information will follow

Community LRG

- There will be an additional two **LRG webinars** which will be open to all LRGs' and can provide an opportunity to update members on the overall project status.
- **Community Conversations** will also offer community members an opportunity to talk with us about various topics across the route. These will include targeted engagement activity, information events and topic focussed community engagement.

Communities

- We have regular contact with community groups across the route such as Community Rail Partnerships, active travel groups and charities.
- We engage with communities in various ways such as by holding **community conversations**, sharing regular newsletters, via our social media posts and attending community group forums and events.
- **Community conversations** offer community members an opportunity to talk with us about various topics across the route. Where possible we'll hold these every quarter.
- We will ensure details are shared with you about any upcoming community conversations.
- If there are any forums or events in your area that you would like us to consider attending, please do let us know.

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LGA: Artificial Intelligence Unpacked

The LGA have launched a series of short explainer videos on Artificial Intelligence (AI) designed to provide Councillors who are new to the topic with a starting point for understanding and engaging with AI concepts.

<https://www2.local.gov.uk/our-support/cyber-digital-and-technology/ai-unpacked>



The Environment & Place Scrutiny committee examined issues connected **with flooding** as well as draft reports of the MKCC council pathway to net zero by 2030 & heat networks.

Agenda for Environment & Place Scrutiny Committee held on Thursday 27th March 2025, 7.00 pm | Milton Keynes City Council

<https://milton-keynes.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=585&MIId=7399>

This report follows on from the Flood and Water Management Service scrutiny report and as per the recommendations from the meeting that took place on 27 February 2024. The report provides the following:

- High level overview of recent flood events that took place in 2024,
- Summary of 2024 flooding events, and progress on Section 19 report following September 2024 flooding,
- Flood and Water Management team's projects delivery (RAG status provided) with detailed review of the progress of Lavendon flood alleviation scheme,

However, recent ministerial directions and advice to PINS indicate shorter examinations will become the norm, e.g. 9 months. As I say, guesswork by MKCC at this point really.



Walton Road

The attached provided by the MKCC provider Swarco is aimed at providing information regarding the detection zone of the proposed sensors. The sensors are not solely optical, but also can detect movement using microwave detection, so they can effectively 'see' through any encroaching foliage. The angle of coverage can also be fine-tuned during the on-site calibration.



Sports Strategy (from Parishes Forum)

Thanks for listening to the Sports Strategy segment of the Parish Forum. It was great to hear interest around being a part of this piece of work.

I would be grateful if you could sign up to the Community event, as well as promoting the relevant events to residents/ clubs within your Parish and help spread the word on the benefits of being a part of the consultation workshop.

I have attached the presentation, a poster and QR codes for workshop registrations to promote 'Talk About Sport'. More information on both consultation events can be found on the Leisure & Communities webpage in the coming days.

It would be great to see as many of you as possible at the event on Wednesday 16th April 19:00-21:00 at Bletchley Leisure Centre. Please do sign up to the event as capacity at the venue is limited, therefore we recommend up to 2 people per Parish.

The links to the registration forms can be found below:

Community - <https://forms.office.com/e/jbR14ifCSD>

Clubs - <https://forms.office.com/e/L0iYrHJHSs>

Should you have any questions, please contact me via email.

Kelly Sutton - Sports Partnership Officer

To speak with me: use Microsoft Teams

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www.milton-keynes.gov.uk



Update on Local Policing from PCSN Amy Ryan

I no longer cover the area of Danesborough and Walton.

Another PCSO will take over from me. Currently PC Paige Barker, PC Matthew Phillips and PCSO Tracey Jones cover the area. Please contact them with any future queries, I will forward on any emails that you have already sent across to me.

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matthew.phillips@thamesvalley.police.uk

Tracey.Jones@thamesvalley.police.uk

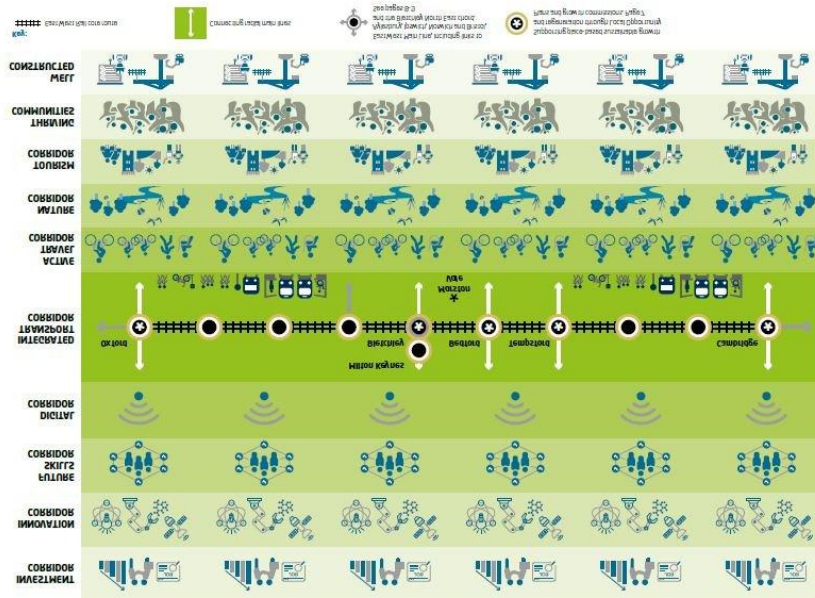
Amy RYAN C9639 - Police Community Support Officer

Milton Keynes North Neighbourhood

Mobile number 07976926498

Amy.Ryan@thamesvalley.police.uk

www.thamesvalley.police.uk



EWR - Supercharging

the region's 'corridor of corridors'

The opportunity East West Rail presents is about so much more than new train services on 80-odd miles of track. It can transcend expectations of what infrastructure can unlock for our economy, environment and society: but only if we – collectively – enable this to happen.

East West Rail must be the catalyst for a far wider integrated, connected transport corridor, offering superb door-to-door connectivity to and from stations. Alongside this, the Oxford-Cambridge section can be used as the foundation for realising the Northampton-Milton Keynes-Aylesbury-High Wycombe-Old Oak Common rail corridor; <https://www.englandseconomicheartland.com/news/global-britain-rail/> and a coast-to-coast main line from Bristol through to Ipswich and Norwich. <https://www.englandseconomicheartland.com/news/oxford-swindon-bristol-rail-services/>

At the same time, there are opportunities to use delivery of East West Rail to supercharge a regional investment corridor, innovation corridor, skills corridor, nature corridor, digital corridor and so on. Creating a fully integrated 'corridor of corridors', much more than the sum of their individual parts, to realise the government's ambitions for the Oxford to Cambridge Growth Corridor.

That's why England's Economic Heartland has been working with government, local partners, East West Railway Company, the Pan Regional Partnership, Science Supercluster Board and Oxford to Cambridge Universities Group to explore how East West Rail can supercharge the ambitions of the region.

You can read more about this work in our new Maximising East West Rail prospectus, which sets out the initial programme of work being progressed by EEH and its partners (some of which is funded as part of Government's 'East West Rail legacy' funding). Agreed by our Board last week, EEH's Maximising East West Rail prospectus <https://www.englandseconomicheartland.com/our-work/maximising-east-west-rail/>

provides the framework for a bold future that puts our region's communities, lifestyle, environment and economic strengths at the forefront of what we do.

Read more here https://eeh-prod-media.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/Maximising_East_West_Rail_FINAL.pdf

Bedford to Bletchley Rail Users



BBRUA Annual General Meeting – date for your Diary.

Formal Notice of the 43rd Annual General Meeting

The Association's Annual General Meeting was held at **6.30pm on Tuesday evening, 8th April 2025 at Lidlington Church Hall**, Church Street, Lidlington, Beds. MK43 0RJ (note – not the Village Hall on the High St.).

Any presentations to be confirmed. The meeting is open to non-members, but only paid-up members may vote. Any paid-up members of the Association who would like to stand for election to the Committee should contact the Secretary, Peter Commons, in writing, either by letter at: 14 Bedford Road, Willington, Bedford MK44 3PS or by email to: peterecommons@gmail.com



In response to numerous enquiries, we have now made our new BMKALC Councillor Induction Booklet and Glossary of Common Terms available to download on our website in the Members Area (you must be logged in to access this area)

from the dropdown Menu select Member Documents>Good Practice Notes both of these resources are intended for you to include in your new councillor induction packs should you wish to.

Both the BMKALC New Councillor Induction 18 page booklet and the Glossary of Common Terms form part of the resource materials included in our event welcome pack which all councillors attending the two upcoming in person Super Saturday Sessions in May will receive on the day.

<https://bucksalc.gov.uk/downloads/>

Orchids in Caldecotte

As a regular walker around Caldecotte lake I look forward to the bee, and common Orchids that flower each spring in the area shown in the attached photos.

Unfortunately last spring they were mown off just as they were about to flower by the council's contractors.

I have spoken with the lady who lives at 66 Monellan crescent today and she shares my concerns that they may suffer the same fate this spring.

Can you please prevent this happening by securing their verge from (a.s.a.p to seed drop around the end of June). (approximately). I have counted appx 20 orchids showing this year. When I first came across them there was only one orchid five years ago



Section 106

I know you are interested in seeing what section 106 money the community council may have to spend.

To find out what section 106 money is available follow this link.

<https://pfm.exacom.co.uk/miltonkeynes/index.php>

- This first page gives an explanation
- click on the 's106' in the menu top left of the page
- then click either parish or town on the left of the page
- and choose Walton from the drop down link on the right of the page

You should then see a list of all the funds received, spent, and available. Please note this is not all money that Walton CC can spend, for example, if it says 'primary education' then the education authority can apply on behalf of our catchment primary school but as the community council has no authority here we cannot apply for this money.

As you know it is usually out of our remit as a parish it is not money we can apply for. However, we can make requests to the relevant service, for example, where it says 'Highways' we might make requests to Highways on how money is spent in Walton

Planning

Planning Applications and Notifications

Application Number: PLN/2025/0648 - Householder planning permission
Location: Land to rear of 20 Newport Road, Wavendon, Milton Keynes, Bucks, MK17 8AE
Proposal: Proposed a single detached garage
Case Officer: Yu Ling Wong
Consultation Expiry: 2025-04-29

Application Number: PLN/2025/0399 - Householder planning permission
Location: 46 ACKER BILK DRIVE, GLEBE FARM, MILTON KEYNES, MK17 8XZ
Proposal: The construction of a rear roof dormer extension
Case Officer: Yu Ling Wong
Consultation Expiry: 2025-05-07

Application Number: PLN/2025/0518 - Removal/variation of conditions

Location: Land At The Gables, Lower End Road, Wavendon

Proposal: Variation/removal of condition 1 (approved plans) seeking to add an infill extension between the garage and the house and rear extension on Plot 15 (relating to permission ref. 16/03354/FUL for the variation of the wording of conditions 10 and 11 and minor material amendments to the architectural detailing of various plots of planning permission 15/01492/FUL for the erection of 34 x dwellings with relocated site access and associated infrastructure and landscaping works)

Case Officer: Tamlin Barton

Consultation Expiry: 2025-05-08

Appeals Determined

Appeal References: AP-3681 – 3350983

Appeal Type: Refusal of _Planning_ Permission

Location: The Orchard, 5 Parkway, Woburn Sands, Milton Keynes MK17 8UH

Proposal: Demolition of existing bungalow and garage and construction of a replacement single storey dwelling with associated landscaping works

Inspector's Decision: Dismissed

Case Officer: Tamlin Barton

Enforcement Notices Served

Notice Served: 21/00422/ENF - A-2900 - EN - Enforcement Notice Served

Location: Heath Court, Land At Junction of Newport Road And Lower End Road, Wavendon

Alleged Breach Change of use of Flat 7 into an office and refused planning permission and dismissed appeal

Case Officer: Lauren Bradwell



Gallery



names. We also deliver a weekly film programme featuring the best of independent cinema in partnership with Curzon. We offer schools and family activities throughout the year and our artist-designed play area is open 365 days a year.

MK Gallery works with partners locally, nationally and internationally to bring the best cultural activities into the region. The Gallery is part of the Arts Council's National Portfolio and a member of the Plus Tate network.

MK Gallery is based in the heart of Milton Keynes at the junction of Midsummer Boulevard and Marlborough Gate, beside Milton Keynes Theatre on Margaret Powell Square.



MK Gallery brings world-class exhibitions and events together with pioneering learning and community programmes to Milton Keynes.

An independent café and shop, cinema from Curzon, and spectacular views over Campbell Park feature in this expanded building, which launched in 2019.

Three major exhibitions are presented each year across five elegant and spacious galleries, from thematic group exhibitions to in-depth solo presentations. Alongside our exhibitions, we offer workshops, talks and conferences, mixing emerging and locally based talent with established

Open Tuesday – Sunday, 10am – 5pm.

Discover our exhibitions, cinema screenings and events on our website: mkgallery.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/MiltonKeynesGallery

Instagram: [instagram.com/mk_gallery/](https://www.instagram.com/mk_gallery/)

X: https://x.com/MK_Gallery/

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Assisted Bin Collections Update

We contacted our residents who use our assisted bin collection service to keep our records up to date. Two letters were sent; one in January and one in March, in which we asked them to reconfirm their details. Their information will be kept confidential in accordance with our policies and information on blue badges will not be shared with the waste teams for example. Residents can contact us easily by phone, mail, or a simple online form. Proof of disability is still required.

The second letter asked residents to respond by 18 April if they still needed this service. If we don't hear back by then, residents will need to place their bins at the edge of their property starting 28 April. There's more information on assisted collections at: www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/assisted-collections.

Please share this to make sure we get as many responses as possible from residents who need this service and haven't replied yet.



Alleged abuse of disabled parking space outside the Post Office in Woburn Sands.

Local resident reports ...

The same vehicle is parking every day in the disabled parking bay outside the Post Office, for the entire day, thus denying other disabled drivers access. This has been the case for the last two months, every day Monday to Friday, 9.00am to past 17.30pm. - The rest of the High Street is restricted to one hour and no return within an hour. So sad that one selfish individual is abusing their blue badge and making it so difficult to access the Post Office. MK17 8RB. Could some assistance be given to allow access for all of us please.

Response from the Blue Badge team.

Blue Badges are not allocated to a particular vehicle. They are allocated to the disabled individual. The model and registration of the car is not something we can make use of. This matter is more suited to the parking enforcement team who may be able to take some action.

Local Groups Invited to Apply for Community Funding

Milton Keynes City Council is inviting local organisations to apply for funding to support projects that will make a positive impact to people living in regeneration and renewal areas across the city, and support local businesses.

The funding comes from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), first launched in 2022, the programme was extended for a fourth year in the Governments Autumn statement 2024. The fund has already helped communities to thrive; with improvements to the public realm, upgrades to local parks, community activities and skills development programmes.

This year, the City Council will be spending £634,000 on projects led by them, with an additional £350,000 available for local organisations through grants or funding competitions.

The City Council is looking for partners to help deliver projects in the following areas:

- Community engagement, public space improvements and flood prevention on regeneration estates, including Bradville, Fullers Slade, Woughton, Lakes Estate and Fishermead
- Providing advice and support to new and local businesses
- Helping residents move towards employment through jobs and training, boosting job prospects across the city
- Improving essential skills including numeracy, literacy, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), and digital skills

The City Council will also invest directly in improvements to public spaces and play areas on key estates and will work with partners to promote Milton Keynes and attract more investment and tourism.

Local organisations with ideas that can make a real difference to communities are encouraged to apply.

For more information, please visit <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/UKSPF>



Cllr David Hopkins - Representing Wavendon at MK City Council

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