

Danesborough Snippets for April 2022 – Cllr David Hopkins / Cllr Victoria Hopkins / Cllr Alice Jenkins

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Planning Services Team Update

Jo Payne has joined the Council as Planning Services Customer Relationship Manager. This is a new role within the Planning Services and has been developed in order to support positive relationships with Councillors and Parishes and to help deliver a high quality service.

Jo will act as a dedicated point of contact for point of contact for all planning & enforcement queries, working collaboratively with Councillors, Parishes and colleagues.

Jo brings with her several years' experience working as a Parish Clerk in a neighbouring local authority which we feel will be hugely beneficial in her new role here at MKC. Jo can be contacted directly via email or by phone on 07443 204662. Joanne.Payne@milton-keynes.gov.uk

Response to SEMK Planning Application by Cllr David Hopkins

22/00524/OUTEIS | Outline application (matters of principle access to be considered with matters of layout, scale, appearance and landscaping reserved) for mixed-use urban extension comprising residential development, secondary and primary schools, local centre (including retail, commercial and community uses), landscaped green infrastructure and public open space, access roads and associated highways improvements, surface water drainage and associated infrastructure works. | Land Forming Part South East Milton Keynes Strategic Urban Extension South of Milton Keynes North of Bow Brickhill, North of Bow Brickhill Road And Woburn Sands Road Milton Keynes

I write as one of the ward councillors for the Danesborough & Walton ward.

1. I would strongly recommend that Planning Application 22/00524/OUTEIS be refused on the grounds that it does not comply with the Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for SEMK approved by Milton Keynes Council in January 2022. Although the application contains frequent reference to compliance with the SPD para 5.61 of the Planning Statement states, “the SDP ... is intended to guide but not to fix the future development and master planning of the site”. This demonstrates a fundamental misunderstanding of the SPD by the applicant.

2. Furthermore, not only does this application relate only to part of the SEMK area but there are significant gaps in the application’s coverage of the site where presumably ownership is in different hands. It is essential that a single, comprehensive plan be prepared by all the developers interested in SEMK (as was the case for example in the application and permissions granted for MK East) in order to ensure that the area is developed in a logical and consistent manner as is clearly set out in the SPD. Housing density, transport links, and the relationship between the housing areas and the supporting facilities must be properly planned across SEMK as a whole, as must the linkages into the adjacent areas. This application cannot be considered in isolation and must therefore be refused.

3. It should be noted that about two thirds of the land in SEMK is in the parish of Woburn Sands with other smaller parcels in the parishes of Bow Brickhill and Wavendon. All sit in the ward of Danesborough & Walton. The relevant policy principles in the adopted Woburn Sands Neighbourhood Plan (particularly those relating to sustainability) should therefore be reflected in the SEMK development and due consideration should also be given to those contained within the Neighbourhood Plan for the neighbouring Parish of Walton.

4. It should also be noted that East West Rail Company is due to undertake - later in 2022 - a Statutory Consultation on proposals related to the proposed Oxford to Cambridge EWR project which will impact much of this area of SEMK and thus the applicant should be advised to pause its application to ensure its proposals are in line with those of the EWR company whose planning powers will trump those of the applicant and of MK Council.

SEMK Development Philosophy

5. The SEMK site although not identified nor supported initially by MK Council, was subsequently included in Plan:MK by the Planning Inspectorate following its Examination in Public as a development site under the title of a Strategic Urban Extension. It was then envisaged as an extension to the existing urban footprint of Milton Keynes. In subsequent

discussions it was redefined as South East Milton Keynes; this redefinition reflected the fact that the SEMK site represents the final South East boundary of Milton Keynes. The Leader of MK Council and Cabinet Portfolio holder for Strategic Planning has subsequently made the position of the council clear in that it foresees no further expansion east of Newport Road (Wavendon/Woburn Sands) until the late 2040's at the earliest and preferably later than that date.

6. The site also adjoins three long established parishes (Woburn Sands, Bow Brickhill, and Wavendon) with their own specific communities and identities.

7. In view of the nature of the site MKC, from the outset, involved the above Town/Parish Councils and the Walton Community Council (also adjoining SEMK) in the discussion of the SPD and will be seeking their further views when the application is discussed and responded to by the SEMK Stakeholder Group at its meeting in June.

8. The SPD sets out the following Vision for the SEMK site (para 3.2):

SEMK will become a thriving new community set within a lush landscape with significant planting of forest scale trees that give the sense of extending the Brickhill Woods into the Milton Keynes urban area.

It will be a welcoming and sensitively designed environment – in terms of being a high-quality example of modern town planning that builds on the proud and successful legacy of innovation in Milton Keynes whilst also respecting the distinct character of Wavendon, Woburn Sands, and Bow Brickhill.

9. In developing this Vision, several important principles were agreed:

- The main access to SEMK should be from the north and south (V10 Brickhill Street)
- The character of the existing settlements (particularly Wavendon, Woburn Sands and Bow Brickhill) should be preserved and, where possible, enhanced. Appropriate buffer areas should be provided.
- A comprehensive transport strategy needed to be developed to ensure the continued health of the existing communities and to take account of the development of East West Rail. It should also take account of the long-term objectives of the MK Transport Policy
- The community facilities (including educational, medical, and leisure facilities) to be provided in SEMK should complement the existing facilities and those being developed in adjacent areas of Milton Keynes.
- Housing density should be as set out in the SPD, reducing towards the Southern boundary as it blends into the countryside of the Greensand Ridge

10. This application clearly does not meet this Vision and should therefore be refused.

Transport

11. The application proposes five access points to the site set out in para 5.17 of the Design & Access Statement (DAS); no access points are proposed to the North of their site. Para 1.2 of the DAS states that "all matters are reserved except for means of access to the site". This implies that the application cannot proceed to the detailed stage unless approval is given for these access points.

12. Limited reference in the application is made to East West Rail; final agreement over internal access between the applicant's site and the north of SEMK can only take place once EWR have finalised their proposals for the line.

13. These access points have, in effect, been prepared without reference to the development of SEMK. The SPD makes clear that the primary orientation of SEMK should be to the North and south via a crossing point at Brickhill Street. There should be limited access to Bow Brickhill Road since the SPD recognises that unrestricted traffic access into Woburn Sands should not be permitted given the nature of The Leys, Hardwick Road, and Theydon Avenue.

14. The internal transport proposals in the applications cannot be considered since they have not been developed in conjunction with the other SEMK developers.

15. The transport proposals in the application cannot be approved until such time as the overall development of SEMK becomes clearer.

Density and Housing

16. The overall housing target for SEMK is 3,000 dwellings; the total area of SEMK is 200 hectares which gives a gross figure of 15 dwellings per hectare. The SPD also suggests that density should reduce towards the Southern boundary of the site (para 3.3.7 of the SPD):

"... with lower densities towards the edges of existing development notably Bow Brickhill Road, to complement the character of the neighbouring area. Higher densities should be provided in areas with strong accessibility to public transport."

The final sentence of this policy reflects Policy HN1-C in Plan:MK.

17. This application, which is all to the South of the railway line, covers just under half the SEMK site at 92.7 hectares and the applicant is proposing 1,700 dwellings. This gives a gross figure of over 18 dwellings per hectare which is clearly contrary to the SPD.

18. More specifically the applicant has identified 41.51 hectares for housing; this gives a density of about 41 dwellings per hectare. By way of comparison, it should be noted that the approved plan for Broughton, which has been identified as a "high density" area in MK, is planned to provide 39 dwellings per hectare.

19. The density proposals put forward by the applicant are clearly contrary to the policies in both Plan:MK and the SPD. Furthermore, they are contrary to the existing densities in the adjacent settlements and will create an unsuitably high density, cramped development area in a prestige site within the key settlement of Woburn Sands (as defined in Plan:MK) and Bow Brickhill.

20. The applicant states that 52% of the properties will be 1-2 bedrooms (19% flats and 33% 2 bed houses). No justification is provided for these figures. It is essential that a robust housing needs analysis in the existing settlements be prepared as was done in the successful Parklands development in Woburn Sands. In that case the developer worked with the Town Council to establish needs, and this was reflected in the final mix of accommodation. The developer should be looking now to work with Woburn Sands Town Council and with Bow Brickhill Parish Council to amend its scheme in line with the directives contained within the SPD.

21. For these reasons the housing proposals in the application are currently wholly unacceptable.

Miscellaneous

22. The Gypsy and Travellers Site is part of this application, but the applicant refers to this as “potential” (para 5.8 of the DAS) and indicates that a separate application to develop this will be submitted “by others”. MK Council cannot accept this attempted dictate and needs to address this fundamental issue now to either enforce the principal in the SPD or bring forward alternative proposals to meet the need for the Traveller Community in other ways (for example expanding existing sites) or through identifying sites outside of the SEMK SPD area.

23. This is unacceptable – the applicant cannot be permitted to proceed with a partial application.

24. Figure 14 of the DAS indicates that Playing Fields should be located adjacent to Bow Brickhill. However, the SPD proposes that these should be located in the buffer zone adjacent to Woburn Sands; the logic of the SPD proposal appears to have escaped the applicant – both Bow Brickhill and Wavendon already have excellent playing fields while the residents of Woburn Sands do not have access to any playing fields. It is therefore sensible, and in line with the principle of complementarity, that the new playing fields provided as part of SEMK should be located adjacent to Woburn Sands unless MK Council accepts that the provision of playing fields across MK falls well short of the identified leisure needs of the Borough and accepts an increase of provision in Bow Brickhill and Woburn sands rather than an either / or provision.

25. The layout proposed in the SPD suggests that the site for new schools should be adjacent to the Bow Brickhill Road; the applicant is suggesting that these should be relocated to back of the site adjacent to the railway line. There seems no logical reason for this suggestion and would create challenges to whatever organisation undertakes to develop and manage the school site in the future.

26. There are several other discrepancies in the layout proposals made by the applicant. These indicate that the applicant has failed to understand the logic of the SPD and has failed to appreciate the relative strengths of the existing communities. No audit appears to have been carried out of the community facilities in the adjoining settlements.

27. The applicant must be required to carry out such an audit and to work with other developers in order to produce an acceptable scheme.

28. The applicant has included land in its application to the south of Bow Brickhill railway station which is outside of the defined boundary of the SPD defined area for SEMK and (at the very least) this element must be amended.

Consultation Process

29. Although the applicants states that adequate consultation has taken place this is not borne out by the facts. No public meetings or exhibitions have been held; the applicant did not consult the Town Council (or other Parish Councils) before submission. The applicant published

a leaflet to all householders inviting residents to visit their website and complete a survey. The application states that the website was visited by 1715 visitors and that 261 completed survey forms. This is wholly inadequate in view of the importance of SEMK.

Recommendation

30. This application has a long way to go by way of amendments and improvements before it gets anywhere near a meeting of the Planning Committee thus I strongly recommend that this application be refused and that the applicant be advised that they must work with the other parties interested in developing SEMK to put forward a scheme which will meet the aims set out in the SPD. As ward councillor, as a member of the SEMK Stakeholder Group, as Chairman of Wavendon Parish Council and as a member of Woburn Sands Town Council both I and the councils I represent would be happy to play an active role in this process.

Forthcoming Roadworks

Kingston Roundabout	Kingston	8th April 2022 – 9th April 2022	8:00pm – 6:00am	https://one.network/?tm=GB128290048
Grovelway	Walton Hall	18th April 2022 – 22nd December 2022	24 Hours	https://one.network/?tm=GB128289521
Walton Road	Wavendon	8th April 2022	12:30pm – 4:30pm	https://one.network/?tm=GB128288673
Chapel Street	Woburn Sands	8th April 2022	9:30am – 12:30pm	https://one.network/?tm=GB128288721
Brickhill Street	H8 to H9 Walton Hall	6th April 2022	9:30am – 12:30pm	https://one.network/?tm=GB128287832

The Schools White Paper

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/opportunity-for-all-strong-schools-with-great-teachers-for-your-child?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=2077c7fe-22ee-4817-b948-63d06597582d&utm_content=immediately

On Monday 28 March, the government published **Opportunity for all: strong schools with great teachers for your child**. It sets out the government's vision for the UK school system. Alongside Opportunity for All, the government has included information about:

- The economic benefits of meeting the white paper's ambitions
- The case for a fully trust led system

Like you, I have been carefully reading and reflecting on the key messages in the White Paper: considering the implications of the policy direction in the short and long term.



There will be elections to Milton Keynes Council wards and some newly created Parish seats (Bletchley & Fenny Stratford Town Council, Stantonbury Parish Council and **Wavendon Parish Council**) on Thursday 5 May.

The Notice of Election will be published on Monday and Poll Cards should start to arrive from Wednesday 30 March.

For up to date information and important dates, please visit www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/elections-2022



Ward Councillor David Hopkins has allocated £500 towards a Defibrillator to be installed at Bow Brickhill Railway Station and is hoping for match funding from 106 Planning Gain funds.

DELEGATED DECISIONS: 2022 – Decisions coming up by the Cabinet at MK Council ...

Subject of Decision & Date of Meeting	Decision Detail		Attendees
Designing Dementia-friendly Neighbourhoods Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) 5th April 2022	To consider adopting the Designing Dementia-friendly Neighbourhoods SPD. Delegated Decision	Councillor Marland (Leader of the Council) Officer Report and Annexes None Paul Thomas Director - Planning and Placemaking David Blandamer Senior Urban Designer Tel: 01908 254836	

DELEGATED DECISIONS

Subject of Decision		Sponsoring Officer and Report Author	
5 th April 2022	Wheeled Bin Rollout To consider wheeled bin rollout resource requirements (including pre-distribution storage), prior to the commencement of new Waste Collection Services.	Nick Hannon Head of Environment and Waste Rebecca Trowse Commissioning Programme Manager Tel: 01908 254782	Councillor Townsend (Cabinet member for Public Realm)
5 th April 2022	Bus Stop Upgrades To consider the establishment of a procurement framework for bus stop infrastructure / equipment providers. Delegated Decision	Officer Report Stuart Proffitt Director - Environment and Property Adele Wearing Strategic Lead - Transport Janice McGowan Public Transport Officer Tel: 01908 252257	Councillor Wilson-Marklew (Cabinet member for Climate and Sustainability)

MK:U Update MK University	To consider the progress to date with the MK:U project and reaffirm the Council's commitment to the project NEW Delegated Decision	Officer Report and Annex Paul Thomas Director - Planning and Placemaking Fiona Robinson MK Futures 2050 Programme Manager Tel: 01908 252318	Councillor Marland (Leader of the Council) and / or Councillor R Bradburn (Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Economy, Recovery and Renewal)
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Transport Bids <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/highways-and-transport-hub/bus-and-taxi/all-electric-bus-town-dft-funding-bid>

Notice of Intention to Prepare an Enhanced Partnership Plan and Schemes

March 2021

Milton Keynes Council Passenger Transport is seeking to improve bus services across Milton Keynes through partnership working between all interested parties.

In light of the recent Bus Back Better strategy, MKC will proceed with the development of an Enhanced Partnership. Commencement is confirmed through this notice of the intention to prepare an Enhanced Partnership Plan and accompanying Enhanced Partnership Schemes as set out in section 138F of the Bus Services Act 2017.

MKC intends to prepare an Enhanced Partnership Plan for the full area of Milton Keynes.

MKC are pleased to share our first Bus Service Improvement Plan (BISP) for October 2021. This sets out a shared vision for excellent, green and inclusive public transport in Milton Keynes and was developed jointly with operators.



I am writing to let you know that we have announced the appointment of Beth West as the new Chief Executive Officer of East West Railway Company (EWR Co), with effect from 1st April 2022.

Beth brings notable strengths to EWR including a successful track record in innovative construction in transport and infrastructure; experience of working together with communities and strategic partners; and a passionate commitment to using infrastructure to deliver real improvements for local people and businesses.

Beth joins after a period of consulting, having previously been the Regional South Managing Director at Balfour Beatty, and she has a rich knowledge of the transport sector and strong commercial acumen. She is a fellow of the Institution of Civil Engineers; the Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply; and is an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors.

Beth will succeed Simon Blanchflower, who will be retiring on 31st March 2022. I would like to thank Simon for his dedication to EWR. He has established strong foundations that will enable EWR Co to address the lack of east – west connections in the area.

I am delighted that someone of Beth's calibre will be taking the helm at EWR. Beth is an accomplished leader, combining strong industry experience with an ability to inspire and drive positive change. I am looking forward to working with Beth on our ambitious plans to make a significant and positive difference to the lives of communities and businesses along the route.

As a local representative within the EWR route area, we look forward to continuing working with you as we progress the development of EWR.

Yours sincerely,

Neil Sachdev
Chairman, East West Railway Company



**Buckinghamshire & Milton Keynes
Association of Local Councils**

Please find attached a New NALC Briefing - GB1-22 Ukraine and NACO Guidance on the Death of a National Figure Version 6

Councils have been working with the fifth edition issued by NACO in May 2019. A number of useful lessons have been learnt during the course of the COVID pandemic and also following the death of The Duke of Edinburgh last Spring. The opportunity has therefore been taken to prepare a sixth edition which incorporates the latest information. A copy of the Sixth Edition and a Preface showing the changes to the previous version is now available .

Copies attached to this report
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Business Support Officer
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University For more about MK:U and the Innovation Hub, visit www.mku.ac.uk and www.mku.ac.uk/InnovationHub



**Milton Keynes Land Availability Assessment
Draft Methodology Consultation and 'Call for Sites'
2022**

MK Council is at the early stages of reviewing Plan:MK and preparing a new local development plan for Milton Keynes running up to 2050.

MKC is producing an updated evidence base to inform the new plan. A key part of this evidence is a Land Availability Assessment (LAA).

The Council is consulting on a draft LAA methodology and providing an opportunity, via a 'Call for Sites', for sites to be submitted for consideration.

Need further assistance? Contact us at: Development.Plans@Milton-Keynes.gov.uk

James Williamson - Development Plans Team

Email: Development.Plans@Milton-Keynes.gov.uk

Web: www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/planning-and-building/

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Planning applications	Weekly list 24 September
Planning buddy! Rachel Larner Planning Officer rachel.larner@milton-keynes.gov.uk 07554 338790	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bow Brickhill Parish Council • Little Brickhill Parish Council
Planning Buddy! Sonia James Planning Officer sonia.james@milton-keynes.gov.uk 07775 111178	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walton Community Council
Planning Buddy! Senior Planning Officer charlotte.ashby@milton-keynes.gov.uk 07795 475595	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon Parish Council
Planning Buddy Katy Lycett Principal Planning Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woburn Sands Town Council

katy.lycett@milton-keynes.gov.uk 07795 475584	
Planning Applications	
Application no: 22/00746/FUL Proposal: The erection of a single storey front and rear extension. At: 10 London End Lane Bow Brickhill Milton Keynes MK17 9LE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bow Brickhill PC
Application no: 22/00412/FUL Proposal: The erection of a single storey front porch extension At: The Pebbles 32 Station Road Bow Brickhill Milton Keynes MK17 9JW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bow Brickhill PC
Application no: 22/00715/REM Proposal: Approval of reserved matters (layout, scale, appearance and landscaping) pursuant to outline permission ref. 13/02381/OUTEIS for the public open spaces within Parcel B1 and D2. At: Parcels B1 And D2 Land At Eagle Farm Cranfield Road Wavendon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon PC
Application no: 22/00620/FUL Proposal: Erection of a single storey side extension, replacement of conservatory with single storey rear extension and external decking with privacy screen along with associated groundworks, and erection of rear box dormer. At: 34 The Leys Woburn Sands Milton Keynes MK17 8QF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon
Application no: 22/00742/NMA Proposal: Non material amendment to application 22/00052/FUL to change RAL code for replacement windows/ doors and render to windows/ rear doors (RAL 7016), render (RAL 7035) and front door (RAL 6015) At: 10A Cross End Wavendon Milton Keynes MK17 8AQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon
Application no: 22/00744/DISCON Proposal: Approval of details required by conditions [[8 (Surface Water Drainage Scheme), 9 (Long-term Maintenance for Surface Water Drainage System), 10 (Finished Floor Levels), 12 (Tree Survey and Report, Arboricultural Impact Statement, Tree Protection Plan and Arboricultural Method Statement), 14 (Soft Landscaping), 16 (Fixed Mechanical Plant and Ventilation Systems), 17 (Biodiversity Enhancement Scheme), 18 (Lighting Plan) & 20 (Compliance with Policy SC1 of Plan:MK)]] of permission ref. 20/02188/OUT At: Woburn Sands Garden Centre Newport Road Wavendon Milton Keynes MK17 8UF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon
Application no: 22/00743/DISCON Proposal: Approval of details required by conditions [[5 (Hard & Soft Landscape Works, Tree Protection Details and Boundary Treatment), 6 (Replacement Tree Planting), 7 (Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon

Organisational licence and Proposal Detailed on Plan), 11 (Surface Water Drainage Scheme), 12 (Longterm Maintenance Arrangements for the Surface Water Drainage System), 13 (Avoidance of Additional Surface Water Runoff), 14 (Sustainable Construction Strategy), 15 (Digital Communications Services), 16 (Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP)), 17 (Car/Vehicle Parking Area), 18 (Electric Vehicle Charging Spaces) & 19 (Finished Floor Levels)] of permission ref. 21/03668/FULMMA At: Land To The Rear of 6 Cross End Wavendon MK17 8AQ	
Application no: 22/00717/TPO Proposal: Willow (T1), fell to ground level as windblown and leaning against fence and loose in ground; Poplars (T2-T5), fell to ground level due to concerns of stability following surrounding wind damage; T6, fell as dead; twin stem Leylandii (T7), fell to ground level as weak due to included union; Oak (T8), fell to ground level as loose in ground; in relation to protection under Milton Keynes Tree Preservation order PS/540/15/423 At: Woburn Sands Garden Centre Newport Road Wavendon Milton Keynes MK17 8UF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon
Application no: 22/00385/REM Proposal: Application for approval of reserved matters (appearance and landscaping) pursuant to outline planning permission 20/02188/OUT for the demolition of existing storage shed and the erection of a 96 bedroom care home with parking and associated development. At: Woburn Sands Emporium Newport Road Wavendon Milton Keynes MK17 8UF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon
Application no: 22/00370/FUL Proposal: Part demolition and part conversion of existing buildings to provide 6 residential dwellinghouses (Use Class C3), with associated car and bicycle parking, internal access road and landscaping, and other associated works. At: Units 3-8 Eagle Farm Cranfield Road Wavendon Milton Keynes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon
Application no: 22/00687/FUL Proposal: The erection of a two storey side extension, a single storey front extension, a single storey rear extension with boundary wall and a front dormer window. At: 31 Newport Road Wavendon Milton Keynes MK17 8AG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon
Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended) Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2015 Application no: 22/00524/OUTEIS -- SEMK Proposal: Outline application (matters of principle access to be considered with matters of layout, scale, appearance and landscaping reserved) for mixed-use urban extension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wavendon / Bow Brickhill / Woburn Sands

comprising residential development, secondary and primary schools, local centre (including retail, commercial and community uses), landscaped green infrastructure and public open space, access roads and associated highways improvements, surface water drainage and associated infrastructure works.

At: Land Forming Part South East Milton Keynes Strategic Urban Extension South of Milton Keynes North of Bow Brickhill, North of Bow Brickhill Road And Woburn Sands Road Milton Keynes



Where and when to put your bins out

- Place waste and recycling on the boundary of your property closest to where the collection vehicle passes by 7am on your collection day. Don't put out your recycling earlier than 5pm the day before your collection day.
- Don't pile up your bags with the neighbours in your street.
- Tie up all rubbish and recycling bags.
- Rinse out any food and drink containers before you put them into the clear sacks.
- Breakdown cardboard and place it inside the clear recycling sack. If it is too big please take to your local Household Waste Recycling Centre.
- Don't put loose items, e.g. large cardboard boxes out with your recycling; it won't be collected.
- If your recycling bags, box or wheeled bin contain the wrong items it may not be collected or emptied.

If you think your rubbish has been missed by Serco please use the councils missed bin reporting form. <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/waste-recycling/report-or-request-it/report-a-missed-collection>

<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/waste-recycling>



The deadline for Parishes and Community Groups has been extended to apply for their share of £20,000 grant funding to help Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Applications must now be submitted by Friday 8 April and can be from £250 - £1,000. More information is available at

https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/UKMK/2022/04/01/file_attachments/2120086/Queens%20Platinum%20Jubilee%20Community%20Grants.pdf

FSM vouchers for Easter Holiday 2022

We're again pleased to announce that we've secured some additional funding from the MK Household Support Scheme. This means that we can issue supermarket e-vouchers for children eligible for free school meals over the Easter break 2022.

What is the process?

As before, you'll have access to Edenred so that you can issue supermarket e-vouchers. The vouchers are £15 per week per eligible child. So £30 in total per child.

Important: Vouchers should, wherever possible, be issued in the name of the qualifying pupil and distributed by email using the download facility on Edenred. Please do not print a generic e code voucher to give to the parent/guardian unless they do not have an email address: in which case a generic voucher can be awarded, providing you keep a record of who the vouchers have been issued to and evidence of discharge to the parent/guardian.

What about other families?

In exceptional circumstances you can also issue vouchers to extra families who you know are really struggling due to their specific circumstances. (For audit purposes, it's important that you keep a record of the reason why you've made any additional awards and can produce the record when required.)

When can we do this?

Access to the Milton Keynes Account on Edenred, to request your vouchers, will be re-instated from 10am on 30 March 2022. The scheme closes on 29 April 2022 and all permissions to the Milton Keynes Council account on Edenred will be withdrawn at 5pm that day.

If you need assistance ordering your vouchers, please contact Edenred on 0800 247 1233.

If you need to reset your password, you can use the following link:-

<https://ordering.edenred.co.uk/Account/ResetPasswordRequest>

For any other queries please contact Karen Cheadle. Karen.Cheadle@milton-keynes.gov.uk



Locally - PC Rob Childs – 07974 970568 or robin.childs@thamesvalley.pnn.polic.uk -----

Milton Keynes offers new major opportunity for transformative tech firms

Small businesses who can help Milton Keynes develop more sustainable transport choices and infrastructure could join a six-month business acceleration programme where they'll work with global leaders in the field and be given unparalleled access to the city as a 'living laboratory'.

The accelerator is being delivered by Connected Places Catapult in partnership with True Altitude and supported financially by Milton Keynes Council using national grant funding. The Council's has also invested £3.1 million in an economic recovery fund to help local people and businesses bounce back after the pandemic. A dedicated strand of the fund has been used to create green jobs and business growth.

The 'Milton Keynes Accelerator' is designed to help 10 small to medium size enterprises (SMEs) who are operating in the field of data analysis, 5G or artificial intelligence with a view to developing fresh ideas and technologies. If chosen, they'll have the opportunity to work with a consortium of industry partners including Centre:MK, Amey and Socius Development, who will provide technical and investment expertise as well as access to state-of-the-art testing facilities. Arguably the biggest and most useful testing facility will be Milton Keynes itself. The Council will consider the use of roads and public spaces for real life technology trials proposed by the SMEs. In recent years, trials have been held locally for innovative technologies including driverless pods, electric scooters, and MK's famous delivery robots.

We will be hosting an application support webinar on April 5 at 10am with Connected Places Catapult and True Altitude, where SMEs can ask question about the challenges and application process. Register here <https://cp.catapult.org.uk/event/milton-keynes-accelerator-application-support-webinar/>

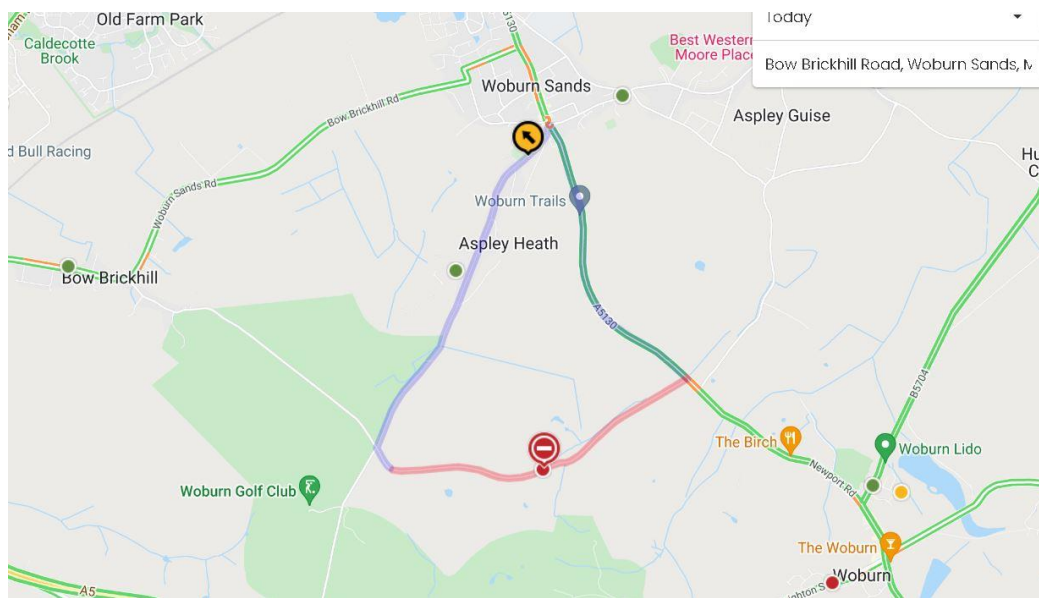
To apply and find out more information about the programme, please visit the Milton Keynes Accelerator website. <https://community.cp.catapult.org.uk/en/page/mk-accelerator-en>



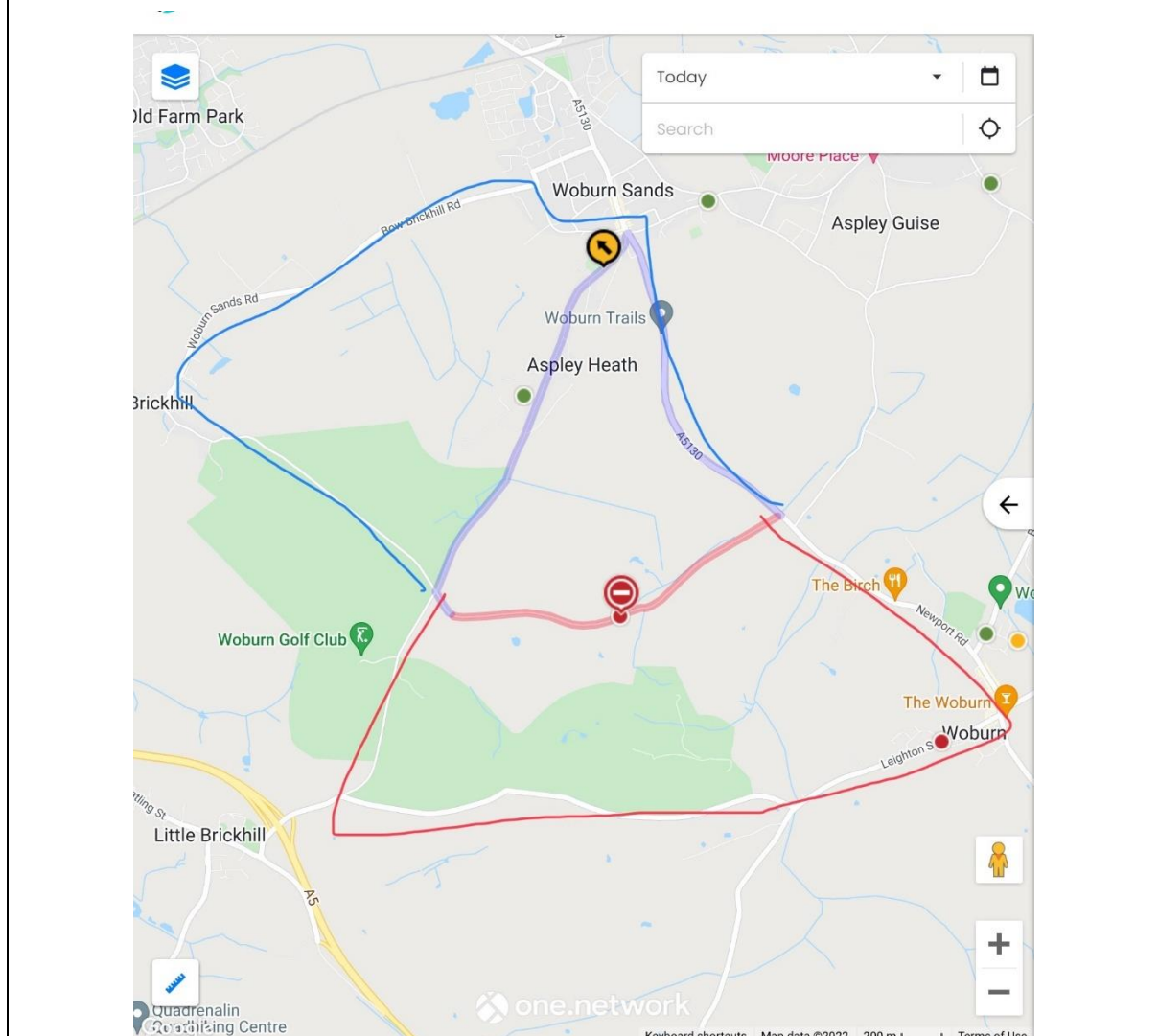
The pre-election period runs from 28 March until after polls close on 5 May. Council staff have been advised of this period of 'heightened sensitivity' ahead of elections where we avoid proactive public engagement on politically sensitive topics (including sensitive and non-statutory consultations).

More information is available in the short briefing document attached. Please speak to Sharon Bridglalsingh, Director of Law and Governance or Peter Brown, Head of Democratic Services if you have any questions.

Bow Brickhill



MKC has asked CBC to change their diversion route from Church Road to the one proposed below.



Yet another blow for the future growth of Woburn Sands!

You thought it was all done and dusted, but you are going to be disappointed.

A recent planning application by L & Q Estates Ltd and Fox Land & Property to develop sections of the western end of the SEMK has been sent into Milton Keynes (22/00524/OUTEIS).

Woburn Sands Town Council are recommending that this planning application is refused and thrown into touch on the grounds that it does not comply with the Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for SEMK approved by Milton Keynes Council in January 2022.

WSTC, along with Wavendon and Bow Brickhill Parish Councils, worked hard with MKC to produce a comprehensive plan for the whole site, which the above developers are endeavouring to dismantle. They are trying to bulldoze their plans through without due consultation.

The plans do not adhere to the Vision of SEMK; the developers plan high housing density totally out of character with the neighbouring villages; they deny Woburn Sands the chance to have playing fields adjacent to the town; will funnel all/most traffic from there through Woburn Sands as there are no access points to the north and totally cock a snook to the concept of a unified development enhancing the lives of local people.

There is still time for you to object to this application. Do not let these ill thought-out plans ruin the future of Woburn Sands.

The full response to the plans by Woburn Sands Town Council will be placed on their web site following agreement by the full council on Monday 11th April.

The following term dates be formally adopted for community and voluntary controlled schools for the 2023/2024 academic year.

	Term opens on the morning of	Term closes at the end of the afternoon session on	Total days per half term
Autumn Term 2023	1 September 2023	20 October 2023	36
	30 October 2023	22 December 2023	40
Spring Term 2024	8 January 2024	16 February 2024	30
	26 February 2024	28 March 2024	24
Summer Term 2024	15 April 2024	24 May 2024	29
	3 June 2024	22 July 2024	36
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Tree Planting for Queen's Jubilee at Wavendon Tower.



Community Speed Watch – Newsletter attached

The new platform for CSW has been giving individual results back to those who are involved or have a vested interest. Your statistics are available from within the individual group platform. Yes, we have seen a great take-up of the platform, with 160 groups now registered on the system. We still have a little way to go, rounding up those who have not yet registered. I do hope that their participation will become part of the CSW family in

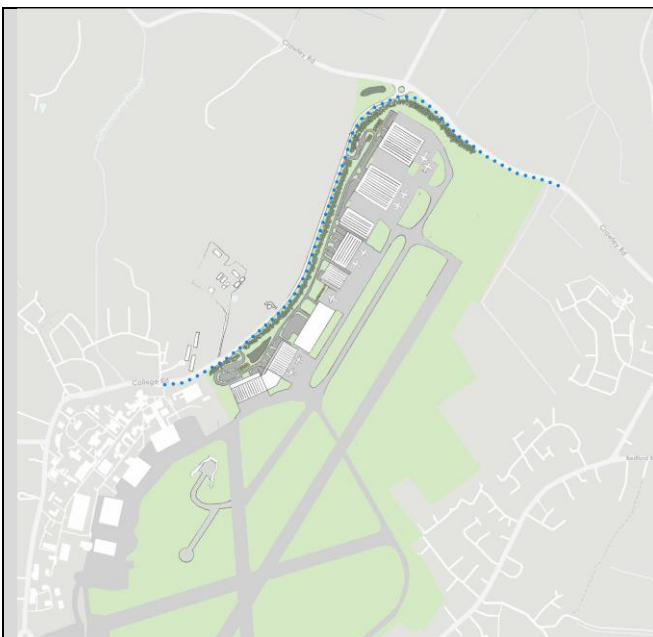
the near future.

For those of you that are wondering if you can continue to carry out CSW via the old system, this is now Not possible. The only way that letters can be raised is via the new platform. Thames Valley Police will no longer accept any paperwork in order to process your hard work. I am sorry but we have to accept change and move forward.



The 12 Local Police areas of Thames valley Police are now on the new platform, the final area of Milton Keynes went live on 29th December 2021.

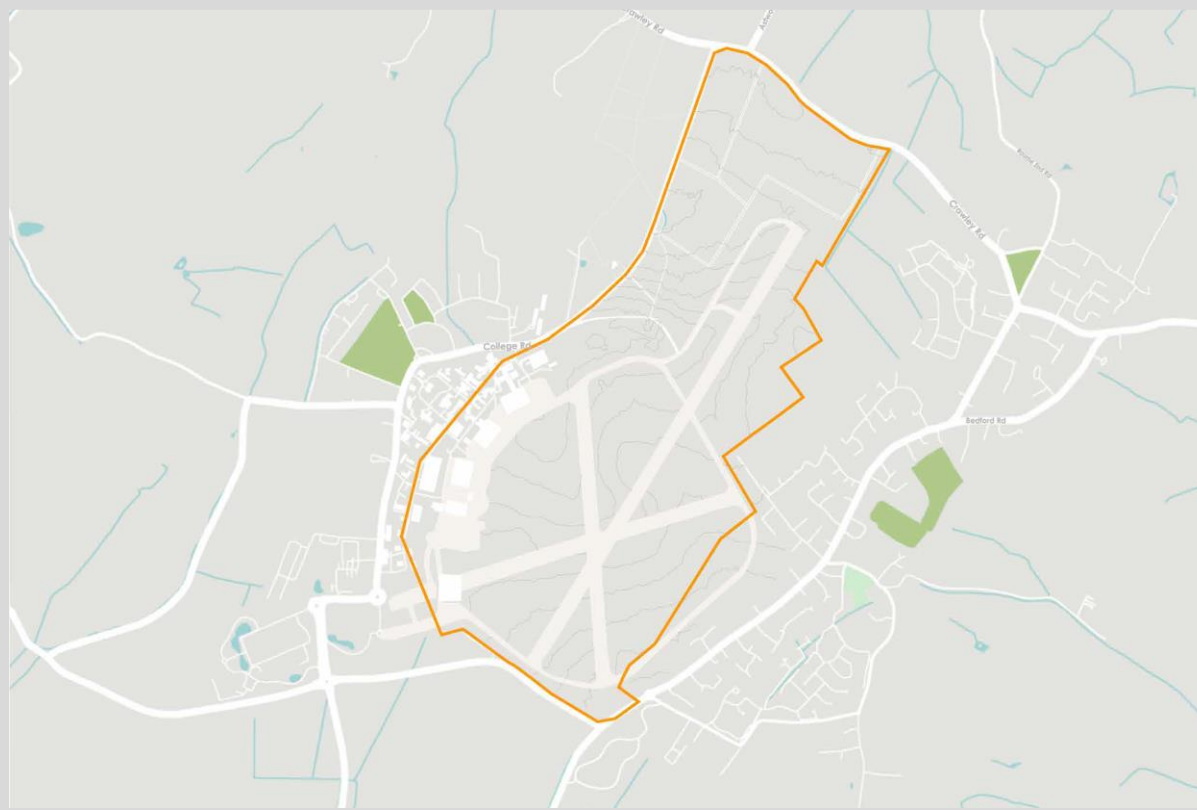
The PCC, Matt Barber has secured funding, enabling short-term loan start-up kits for new areas that are waiting for funds being available to purchase equipment. These will be available, on a loan period of up to 6 months only, once loaned you cannot request to loan again. This will enable other teams starting up in the TVP area to get started as soon as possible. These devices will be available as soon as they arrive from the suppliers



Marshall's Relocation – full set of presentations attached to this report. In brief ...

In May 2019, we announced our intention to relocate our Aerospace business from Cambridge, as part of our commitment to invest in the long term future of this unique, private company. In doing so, Marshall Aerospace will vacate the existing Cambridge Airport site making it available for a mixed use redevelopment known as Cambridge East to further build on Cambridge's incredible success as a centre for world leading academia, research, technology and life sciences.

We are committed to creating an extraordinary future for our business and our communities, both in Cambridge and at Cranfield.



Caldecotte South Brickhill Road from Station Road to Kelly Kitchen Roundabout Highway Improvement Works.

Please be advised that road improvement works will be commencing at Caldecotte South Brickhill Road from Station Road to Kelly Kitchen Roundabout. The works are being carried out by WINVIC Group Limited on behalf of Global Logistics Properties (GLP) as part of a Section 278/38 highways agreement in accordance with the Planning Permission Appeal Decision Notice APP-Y0435-W-20-3251121 and Section 106 dated 15th September 2020. The developer, their contractor, MKC and National Highways are working very closely on this development to ensure that the works are carried out as quickly as possible to prevent as much delay on the network as possible.

The works accommodate the construction of a new commercial and industrial estate and comprise of the demolition of Brickhill Road for Approximately 300m from Kelly Kitchen Roundabout to construct a dual carriageway, roundabout, redway and associated kerbing. Along with street lighting and major sewer works. Works also include the construction of 3 large underground drainage culvert structures that cross the road.

For the whole length of Brickhill Road there are major utility connections which consists of the laying and connection of high pressure gas mains, high pressure water mains and high voltage electricity utilities. Works also include regrading of adjacent verges and permanent diversion of existing ditches. A separate email will be sent with attached a pack of general arrangement drawings showing all the works for the length of Brickhill Road associated to this development.

These works are required to be carried out under a road closure between Station Road and Kelly Kitchen Roundabout from 20:00 25th April 2022 – 11th November 2022. The diversion route will be signed to divert all traffic via H10 Brickhill Street, V10 Bletcham Way and then A5 towards Kelly Kitchen Roundabout (and back) as per the attached traffic management plans. Further signage will also be provided on the approach to the closure to state 'No access to the A5 via Brickhill Road and Church Road – Follow Diversion' to help prevent any rat running. Google traffic app states that this diversion route will increase travel time by 2 minutes so it is suggested that all trips are planned accordingly.

A lot of planning and investigations went into these works and the traffic management options were discussed with the developer GLP and their contractor WINVIC. The road closure is the safest, quickest and least complicated way to undertake all works, which will cause the minimum amount of disruption to the network.

Advanced notice signs have been erected on site to advise that there are works planned between the dates above and delays are likely. Additionally we will do our best to deter all non-emergency works by others on the surrounding roads until these works are complete.

There are no residential properties along the closure. But any remaining farmer access to the remaining fields will be available through contact with WINVIC.

Highway Adoptions will be attending a weekly meeting with WINVIC and National Highways for the first month of the works to discuss any concerns raised with the closure and traffic management. Therefore If you have any comments or should you require any further details / information then please do not hesitate to contact me on Highway Adoptions highway.adoptions@Milton-keynes.gov.uk.

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New Head of Corporate Parenting at MKC

Sharon Godfrey has been appointed as our new Head of Corporate Parenting. We're a 'corporate parent' to thousands of children and young people, and this role is about making sure we do our best for looked after children, and children with disabilities who live in or visit local residential

homes. Sharon has been with us since 2015 managing teams within Children's Services, most recently as Interim Fostering Operations Manager. Well done Sharon on moving into this role.



Back in February 2021 our former offices at Saxon Court became a major COVID-19 vaccination centre after we offered the building to the NHS before it moved into private ownership. A lot of hard work went on behind the scenes to make it happen, especially as vaccine vials had to be stored at extremely low temperatures, and specialist NHS equipment had to be moved in.

More than 211,000 vaccinations have since been given at Saxon Court, and we even extended the agreement by six months to help boost more local people. However, the team is now wrapping up on site and Saxon Court will transfer to its new owners.

Read about their proposals at www.saxoncourtmk.com.

Cllr David Hopkins – April 2022