

## Unitary Councillor Report

(Snippets) Report from Cllr David Hopkins, Cllr Victoria Hopkins & Cllr Alice Jenkins – Representing Danesborough & Walton at MK Council

July 2020 Combined Report



### Council wins Wavendon Properties Appeal

I am pleased to report that the Secretary of State agreed with the conclusions of the Inspector and **dismissed the appeal**, upholding the Council's decision to refuse outline planning permission.

Most pleasing is that both the Inspector and Secretary of State concluded that the Council could demonstrate a deliverable five-year housing land supply, the second appeal decision we have received within the past two months which has drawn this conclusion.

MK Council will now be reviewing the decision letter in full, alongside its work to update the five-year housing land supply position for the year 2020/21 and will provide further information once this has been undertaken.



### **With Wavendon – Newport Road resurfacing**

It will be plane off and resurfacing in Hot Rolled Asphalt, it will comprise of 3 nights of work towards end of July. The extent is from Parkway to number 85 Newport Road however it may be possible to extend the works up to 55 Newport Road but this depends upon the works being undertaken by the nearby developer at this end who may not have carried out their connections yet and we do not want to risk them digging up our newly laid surfacing.

Newport Road, Wavendon – Full Length

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### **with Woburn Sands, Wavendon and Little Brickhill**

#### **Option Plans for SEMK (Strategic Urban Extension – SUE)**

Planning officers have produced two options as draft option 1 and 2 (attached to this report) as the possible layout for the so called, South East Milton Keynes or Strategic Urban Extension (SUE) development area between Wavendon, Bow Brickhill, Old Farm Park and Woburn Sands. Much of the content of these proposals is unacceptable and local members will be fighting hard to get these amended to plans which work for the area today and for the future.

We shall be pressing for public meetings (as soon as it becomes safe to hold them) in each of the communities impacted so that local people have a real say in what is being planned for their local areas.



### **with Wavendon & Woburn Sands**

Swan Hill Homes are looking to bring forward a planning application for around 130 new homes on land near to the former Fred The Tread garage. Read their Newsletter with information, the developer held an online conference with local residents attempting to

justify the 'need' for this development. Want to know what this entails, Read their newsletter.... And note that following the Inspectors confirmation with regards the Wavendon Properties decision that MK has a 5 year Land Supply, then there is no justification for this (potential) application.



### with Woburn Sands – Road Closure

From Saturday 4th July 2020 to Monday 6th July 2020 in order to enable engineering train movements for essential track renewals to fall in line with track possession.

- Station Road, Woburn Sands Level Crossing – From its junction with Summerline Drive to the junction of Turnpike Court

Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via A421, Bedford Road, School lane, Turnpike Road, Crawley Road, Woburn Road and vice versa



### Waterway e-newsletter - June

<http://www.b-mkwaterway.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/BMK-Newsletter-June-2020.pdf>

The Bedford & Milton Keynes Waterway Trust was established in 1995 to promote the development of a broad waterway park, which will link the Grand Union Canal in Milton Keynes to the river Great Ouse in Bedford through a series of waterway parks. It will include pathways and green space designed to meet the needs of all who enjoy rambling, walking, cycling, fishing, horse riding and those who simply like to chill out next to the waterway park. We believe it should be an essential part of the infrastructure in the Oxford/Milton Keynes/Cambridge Corridor.



### Expressway Update

At my surgery on Tuesday 9 June I undertook to write to you with an update on the Oxford to Cambridge Expressway project.

The Government reaffirmed at the Budget in March its commitment to the Oxford-Cambridge Arc as a key economic priority with the potential to be both a globally leading hub for innovation and an exemplar of sustainable, well-designed development, which puts communities and people first. With the right interventions from the Government and local partners, the Arc has the potential to generate a further £20.4 billion per annum to the UK economy by 2050 compared to baseline forecasts. Delivering the right infrastructure is vital to support this growth.

In respect of the Oxford to Cambridge Expressway, as you will be aware, in 2014 the Government commissioned a strategic study to investigate the potential for a new high-quality road link between the M1 and the M40 which could support growth. That work has carefully assessed the costs and benefits of a range of options and has taken into account the views of local authorities and residents in the Arc.

The Government confirmed as part of the second Road Investment Strategy published alongside the Budget, that further development of this scheme has been paused. This is while we focus on other potential road projects that could both support the Government's ambition for the Oxford to Cambridge Arc, and benefit people who live and work there.

I will ensure that you are updated further when there are developments with this project.  
Yours sincerely,

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**Summary of guidance for opening our high streets safely**



Businesses need a risk assessment before reopening, to identify sensible measures to control risks. These should be a written assessment if you have a staff of five or more. Find a template and more information at <https://www.hse.gov.uk/risk/assessment.htm>.

- Consider changing the responsibilities of any vulnerable staff returning to work

Help customers and staff keep their distance. Depending on your space, this could mean:

- Setting up a table just inside your door and bringing products to your customers.
- A one-way system. Use tape or stickers on your floor (inside) to show where people can queue if necessary. Visit [www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/safety-signs](http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/safety-signs) for downloadable stickers and posters.
- Limiting the number of customers at any one time

**Ask for card or contactless payments where possible.**

- Put items down for customers to pick up, rather than making hand to hand contact.
- Pre-bagging certain items that are usually self-serve.
- Consider staggered opening hours, different hours or 'by appointment only'. Tell your customers when your off-peak times are, as they might prefer to visit then.
- Creative use of use outdoor space for cafes and restaurants – subject to license agreements. Call our High Street Helpline on 01908 252241 for advice on what's allowed.

**As people enter, place hand sanitiser for customers to use**

**Display material reminding everyone of official guidance (download at [www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/safety-signs](http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/safety-signs) – including a poster you can add your own instructions to).**

Do some extra cleaning of touch points, e.g. door plates and handrails, and any toilets.  
Wash your own hands frequently

Consider how people may need to queue outside, without blocking other businesses or the pavement. Consider putting a poster in your window to advise people. You may use freestanding signs no larger than A4 (see photo). DO NOT use large signs, A-boards or anything that would block access, and DO NOT paint, spray or permanently mark the pavement or road. Call the council's High Street Helpline on 01908 252241 for advice on what's allowed or if you're concerned about queues or other issues outside your premises.

Consider how customers try on and return items to limit contamination, eg you may want to close fitting rooms, and store any returned items for 72 hrs before returning them on sale.

- Allow people to wear face coverings if it makes them feel more comfortable. Government guidance is that they can be helpful in enclosed spaces where social distancing isn't possible.

- There is limited evidence that PPE outside a clinical setting is helpful, so it's not recommended for general use. Additional protection should be worn if cleaning an area used by someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19.

Tell us about when you've reopened (email [communications@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:communications@milton-keynes.gov.uk) or use the hashtag #restartmk on social media). We'd like to hear about anything special you're doing, and when your busy/less busy times are. We'll share what's happening on our digital and social channels, which are followed by tens of thousands of local people.

**Visit the Government's website for more advice aimed at shops and small businesses about working safely during the pandemic.**



**With Wavendon – Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)**

**Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2015**

**Application no: 20/01245/OUT**

**Proposal: Outline application (all matters reserved except access) for up to 53 dwellings, including 32% affordable dwellings, surface water attenuation, open space, landscaping and associated highway works.**

**At: Lower End Road Wavendon MK17 8AN**

A housing developer has submitted plans to build 53 homes in the 'open countryside' in Milton Keynes.

**Bidwells want to build the homes in Land Off Lower End Road in Wavendon, close to the A421/M1.**

**But the site lies outside the defined settlement boundary of Milton Keynes in the 'open countryside'.**

**The developer has justified the application by saying they have a belief that 'there is a lack of deliverable housing land in Milton Keynes' and that the proposal represents a 'logical extension to the urban area'.**

**The site will comprise of a mixture of 2-5 bedroom homes, with the final mix to be determined during a later stage of the planning process.**

**32%, or 17 of the houses, will be defined as affordable homes.**

**In addition, Bidwells are proposing a number of enhancements to the roads and footpaths nearby.**



**Footway Closure** - Saturday 4th July 2020 and Thursday 30th July 2020

between 9:00pm and 6:00am in order to enable Essential track renewal at the crossing in connection with Woburn Sands level crossing.

- Woburn Sands Footway Crossing – From its junction with Cranfield Road for approximately 30 meters in a southern direction.

Whilst the above length of Footway crossing is closed there will be a banksman on site allowing access for pedestrians and residents through the closure when it is safe to do so.

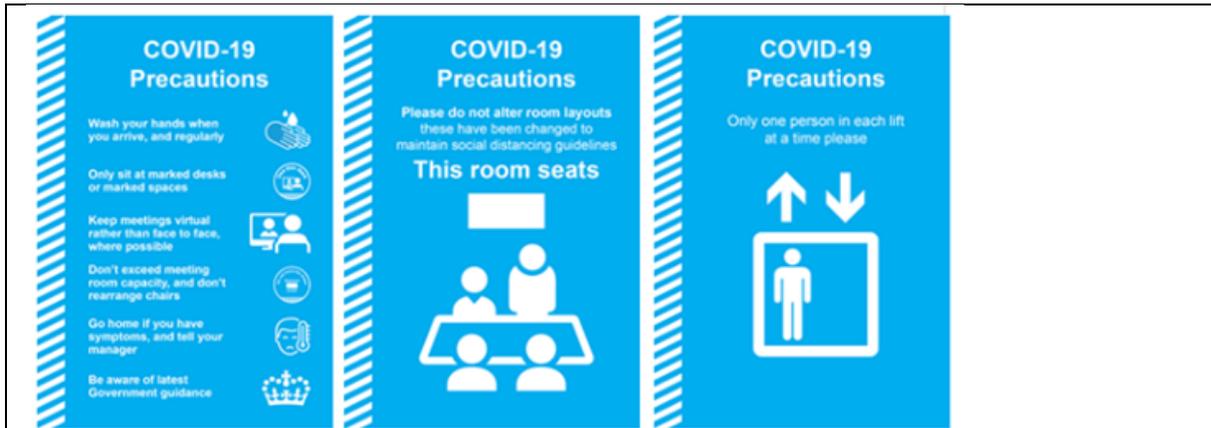


**With Woburn Sands**

The Mayor of Milton Keynes (Cllr Andrew Geary) visited businesses in Woburn sands to thank them for all they had done during the Pandemic emergency. He visited premises in Bow Brickhill and Little Brickhill and ha planned visits scheduled for Wavendon.



**Free to use COVID-19 signage**



MK council has created a page on our website at [www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/safety-signs](http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/safety-signs) where local small businesses or groups can download free to use COVID-19 health and safety signage to inform and reassure staff and customers.

The materials have been prepared inhouse by our communications team and are an adapted version of the signs used in our own council buildings. We're sharing them to help small businesses and groups who do not have the time or resources to prepare their own. We want to make sure public health messages are spread widely across Milton Keynes.



All the artwork is ready to download and ready to print - just click on the filename under the image. If you'd like to send the artwork to a professional printer of your choice then please let us know and we will provide the artwork to you in a format they can work with.

If we can help further please let us know at [communications@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:communications@milton-keynes.gov.uk)

More at: <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/business/business-continuity-risk-and-resilience/help-for-sme-s-health-and-safety-signage>

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**with Wavendon - Hayfield Development on Newport Road – Pile Driving**

The contact email at Hayfield Developments is [lcrossley@hayfieldhomes.co.uk](mailto:lcrossley@hayfieldhomes.co.uk)

The Environmental health Officer monitoring is Gillian Clarke  
Senior Environmental Health Officer on 01908 252438  
or via email at [Gillian.Clarke@Milton-Keynes.gov.uk](mailto:Gillian.Clarke@Milton-Keynes.gov.uk) – please note her recent response on  
the issues reproduced on the reverse of this letter.

Planning enforcement can be emailed at [planning.enforcement@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:planning.enforcement@milton-keynes.gov.uk) or  
on 01908 252615

The Planning Officer is David Buckley [David.buckley@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:David.buckley@milton-keynes.gov.uk) 01908  
253393.

The site manager for Hayfield is Jason Usher [jusher@hayfieldhomes.co.uk](mailto:jusher@hayfieldhomes.co.uk)



**With Bow Brickhill**



**With Wavendon & Woburn Sands**

Please note a letter has been received which confirms that a decision will be issued in  
respect of the Wavendon Properties (Storey Homes) appeal on or before the 26th June  
2020.

Sarah Hine at MK Council will update in due course as further information is received and  
this will be circulated to all Parishes in the ward.

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### **A421 upgrade - Eagle Farm roundabout to Junction 13, M1**

MK Council is working with Central Bedfordshire Council to upgrade the A421 road between the Eagle Farm roundabout in Milton Keynes up to Junction 13 of the M1. This improvement project completes the dual carriageway that began with the Pinch Project between the Kingston and Eagle Farm roundabouts.

This stretch of the A421 road is used by almost 30,000 vehicles a day and with nearby development for both residential and industrial sites, this number is expected to significantly increase.

During the works there may be some road closures and diversion routes as essential work is carried out. This will normally be at off peak times such as overnight or at weekends. We will provide as much notice as possible to road users of any proposed closures.

Sign up for A421 email alerts to get the latest information on this project and any A421 road closures at [www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/transport/a421/road-closures.aspx](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/transport/a421/road-closures.aspx)



### ***The Stables***

The Stables: Proud to Be Part of The #SaveOurVenues Campaign



The Stables has joined a national initiative launched by the Music Venue Trust to prevent the closure of hundreds of independent music venues.

Due to the lockdown in response to the COVID-19 pandemic there are no artists on our stages, no customers enjoying live music and no young people participating in our music-making sessions.

The Stables is marking its 50th birthday this year and we are heartbroken that we have had to postpone more than 200 events.

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As a registered charity we aim to reach the widest range of people with music in all its diversity and we normally present over 400 gigs and 200 learning and participation sessions each year. We also produce and present a number of festivals and special events including IF: Milton Keynes International Festival.

### **Now, we need your help!**

Your donations will be used to help us cover our essential costs to maintain a skeleton staff rescheduling and promoting shows, dealing with customer enquiries, maintaining our facilities and planning for the future to ensure we can reopen as soon as we can.

We are also acutely aware that many other venues across the country are in difficulty and that without help now the national network that enables artists to tour and develop their fan base may disappear. So, if we hit our target, and we can help prevent the closure of our venue, everything above the amount we raise will be donated to the Music Venue Trust GMV Crisis Fund to protect other venues just like ours, right across the country.

Please give us a gift for our birthday if you can and help us to bring you the best in live music for decades to come.



### **Do you need extra help?**

#### **Local Support Service**

MK has set up the Local Support Service for people who have registered with Government as 'extremely vulnerable' and who need extra help, and for other residents who are self-isolating and do not have family, friends or neighbours to support them.

They have already contacted more than 14,000 local people and made 1,500 emergency deliveries, mostly essential medication. We can take calls Monday to Friday between 9am and 5:15pm on 01908 252398. Please note, this line is for people who have no other support - if friends, family or neighbours can help you, please keep the helpline free for isolated people in need.



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### With the Station Friends Groups

In addition to Ridgmont, MVCRP has Stations Friends Groups at Stewartby, Millbrook, Lidlington, Woburn Sands, Fenny Stratford & Bletchley and is working with Bedford – St Albans City CRP to set up groups at Bedford Midland & Bedford St. Johns. Each group would welcome new members and we would like to establish groups at Kempston Hardwick, Aspley Guise & Bow Brickhill too! Please contact Stephen Sleight, MVCRP Officer, on 01234 832645, e-mail [stephens@bedsrcc.org.uk](mailto:stephens@bedsrcc.org.uk) for further information

Visit our new website - [www.marstonvalecommunityrail.org.uk](http://www.marstonvalecommunityrail.org.uk)

Find us on Facebook! [www.facebook.com/marstonvalecrp](https://www.facebook.com/marstonvalecrp)

Follow us on Twitter @marstonvalecrp



**With Wavendon** – Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) and Milton Keynes Council (MKC) highways teams have had a request for a speed limit change on Cranfield Road & Lower End Road. This would be a reduction from the national speed limit to 40mph (or 50mph) limit.

Whilst the main section of Cranfield Road is in CBC, in order to sign it successfully a joint approach is required between CBC and MKC. This is because the county boundary crosses Cranfield Road at the junction of Crab Tree Lane. Lower End Road is also in MK and would be affected by a change in the speed limit on the CBC network.

Speed limit repeater signs are required and would be installed along the affected roads at correct intervals to remind drivers of what the revised speed limit will be.

As this is a collaborative approach please respond in writing to both Charlotte Dunham (CBC) and Phil Jeffs (MKC) using only the email addresses provided below:

[Traffic.consultation@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:Traffic.consultation@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk) & [highway.consultations@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:highway.consultations@milton-keynes.gov.uk) . This will allow our colleagues to support and to collate responses from both sides.

Please can we receive these by 3rd July 2020. A review will then take place shortly after between CBC and MKC with an update provided.

Charlotte Dunham - Traffic Management Team

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## S106 Calculator

Education	Contribution
Total Early Years	
Primary pupils	
Secondary pupils	
Post 16 pupils	

Leisure Recreation & Sports	Provision Cost	Maintenance Cost
Playing Fields		
Local Play		
Neighbourhood Play		
Community Hall		
Local Parks		
District Parks		
Swimming Pool		
Allotments		
Sports Hall		

Social Infrastructure for a development scheme on allocated proposed employment land	Contribution
Library	
Adult continuing education	
Crematorium / Burial Grounds	
Museums & Archives	
Health Facilities	
Waste Management	
Waste Receptacles	
Social Care – Day Care	

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Social Care – Older Persons Housing	
Emergency Services	
Voluntary Sector	
University for Milton Keynes	
Milton Keynes College	
Inward Investment	
Public Art & Culture – 1% (estimated)	
Carbon neutrality (estimated)	

Transport	Contribution
Highways	
Public Transport	
Pedestrian / Cycle	
Travel Planning	

## S106 Planning Obligation Response Template

### Planning Application

Application No:		Proposal:	
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### Consultee Information

Organisation		Name	
Date Completed		Your Ref:	

### Contribution Information

Theme / Topic of contribution A separate table should be completed for each separate contribution	
Contribution Amount	
Purpose of contribution / Where Spent (define specific project/s)  <b>*Regulation 122 of CIL</b> (a) necessary to make development acceptable in planning terms: (b) directly related to the development: and © fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development	
Justification / evidence basis	

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Timing of payment / trigger (if appropriate)	
Other comments	



**Roadworks** - The new interactive service allows you to

search for any planned works by area, road name, ward or parish, road type or reason. You can also see the current closures and those scheduled for the next two weeks.

Location	Street	From	To	Type
CALDECOTTE	Brickhill Street H10 To Caldecott Drive	28/05/20 24 hours	03/06/20 24 hours	ROAD CLOSURE
LITTLE BRICKHILL	FOOTPATH 16 LITTLE BRICKHILL	12/02/20 24 hours	12/08/20 24 hours	FOOTPATH CLOSURE (Public Right Of Way)
LITTLE BRICKHILL	FOOTPATH 17 LITTLE BRICKHILL	12/02/20 24 hours	12/08/20 24 hours	FOOTPATH CLOSURE (Public Right Of Way)
LITTLE BRICKHILL	WATLING STREET	24/06/20 9:30am	26/06/20 12:30pm	ROAD CLOSURE
LITTLE BRICKHILL	WATLING STREET	26/06/20 9:30am	24/06/20 12:30pm	ROAD CLOSURE
LITTLE BRICKHILL	GALLEY LANE	26/06/20 9:30am	26/06/20 4:30pm	ROAD CLOSURE
TILBROOK	BRADBOURNE DRIVE	14/04/20 24 hours	27/09/20 24 hours	ROAD CLOSURE
WAVENDON	A421	16/05/20 24 hours	16/11/21 24 hours	ROAD CLOSURE YES with diversion
WAVENDON	NEWPORT ROAD Wavendon	30/07/20 9:00pm	04/08/20 6:00am	ROAD CLOSURE
TILBROOK	BRADBOURNE DRIVE	01/06/20 9:30am	27/09/20 4:30pm	ROAD CLOSURE
TILBROOK	Bradbourne Drive	28/05/20 24 hours	03/07/20 24 hours	ROAD CLOSURE
WALNUT TREE	GROVEWAY V10 TO V11	19/05/20 9:30am	26/05/20 4:30pm	ROAD CLOSURE
WALNUT TREE	GROVEWAY V10 TO V11	26/05/20 9:30am	28/05/20 4:30pm	ROAD CLOSURE
WOBURN SANDS	STATION ROAD	04/07/20 24 hours	06/07/20 24 hours	ROAD CLOSURE



**David Hopkins / Victoria Hopkins / Alice Jenkins**

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<b>Adult Services</b>		
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<b>Head of Learning Disability, Mental Health and Autism</b>	<b>Amanda Griffiths</b>	<b>01908 253042</b>
<b>Head of Assessment and Safeguarding</b>	<b>Philip Jones</b>	<b>01908 257940</b>
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## CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL'S SENIOR MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

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Our current three directorate model plus small ‘corporate core’ was put in place four years ago. While this has helped teams share some closer practices and standards, we’re yet to achieve our ambition for fully joined up thinking and working across the whole organisation. This can be frustrating for us, for councillors and for service users.

A new senior management structure is being developed that will help us operate more effectively as one council. The proposals are:

A new Deputy Chief Executive role will lead our critical support services, as well as a number of other business areas.

Instead of the current structure of three Corporate Directors and ten Service Directors, services will be led by nine Directors, who would all be regarded as ‘chief officers’ and full members of our Corporate Leadership Team (CLT). As you may be aware Duncan Sharkey has left the Council and we will not be replacing either his former role (Corporate Director – Place) or the role of Corporate Director – People.

The corporate core would be replaced with a new Chief Executive’s Office, led by an Assistant Chief Executive (replacing the current role of Service Director – Policy, Insight and Communications), whose focus will be on improving organisational effectiveness and performance. Public Health will move into the Chief Executive’s Office.

Subject to political agreement, the new structure could be in place by early March. The CEO (Michael Bracey) will share full details then, including a detailed breakdown of who will be leading on specific areas.

**Corporate Leadership Team - March 2019**

Chief Executive - Michael Bracey, Head of Paid Service  
Director - Health and Social Care Integration - Jill Wilkinson  
Director - Finance and Resources - Steve Richardson  
Director - Law and Governance - Sharon Bridglalsingh  
Director – Environment and Property - Stuart Proffitt  
Director - Growth, Economy and Culture - Tracy Darke  
Director - Adult Services - Victoria Collins  
Director - Children’s Services - Mac Heath  
Director - Housing and Regeneration - Michael Kelleher  
Director - Strategy and Futures - Geoff Snelson  
Director - Policy, Insight and Communications - Sarah Gonsalves  
Director - Public Health - Muriel Scott

**Finance and Resources**

Professional finance | Revenue and benefits | HR  
ICT | Customer services | LGSS | Audit and risk

**Environment and Property**

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Highways   Waste and Recycling   Transportation Property   Facilities   Management Regulatory services   Health and Safety
<b>Growth, Economy and Culture</b> Place Making   Planning   Economic development   Arts and Heritage   Historic environment   Leisure   Sports development
<b>Law and Governance</b> Legal services   Democratic services   Elections Civic events and mayoralty   Councillor support Governance
<b>Policy, Insight and Communications</b> Policy   Partnerships   Performance Communications   Information Governance Emergency Planning   Community safety
<b>Housing and Regeneration</b> Tenancy management   Repairs and maintenance Tackling homelessness   Strategic housing Regeneration and development   Private sector housing   Resident engagement and support
<b>Children's Services</b> Schools   Early years   Youth and community Special needs and disability   Safeguarding Family support   Children in care   Care Leavers
<b>Adult Services</b> Mental health   Learning disability   Physical disability   Older people's services Hospital discharge   Adult safeguarding   Commissioning
<b>Public Health</b> Health improvement   Health protection   Public health services   Needs assessment Strategy and Futures

## CIF Funding

### Cost Guidance

The following examples may be used to estimate costs for proposed schemes. Please note that these are not definitive costs but are 'ball park' figures as an aid for estimation purposes. Actual costs will vary depending on local conditions and may increase due to additional requirements such as traffic management, underlying utilities and installation costs.

**Play Areas: (The following includes some installation costs)**

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- Roundabout £5,000
- See-Saw £3,000
- Spring Animal £2,000
- Small Play Module (< 8 years) £8,000
- Large Play Module (older children) £12,000 plus
- New Bench Installation up to £1,200 (Depending on design of bench and base required)

### **Landscaping**

Landscaping schemes are delivered by our service partner, Serco. Enquiries should be made via the Serco Services for Parishes web page. <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/your-council-and-elections/councillors-and-committees/parish-and-town-councils/information-for-parish-and-town-councils/serco-services-for-parishes>

If a parish is devolved they can self-serve.

This could include

- Pond enhancement (min costs in £1,000s)
- Removal and replacing whole beds/shrubs
- Seating area /paving works (will be in order of £1,000's depends on scope of works)

### **Gateway Features**

- 'Welcome To' signage £4,000 (based on 2 signs. This also includes installation).
- Village Gateway up to £10,000 (depending on design and cost of gateway sign selected).

### **Traffic Calming**

- Speed Cushions from £35,000 (Based on 4 speed humps, includes minor footway improvements and street lighting works also includes Traffic Regulation Order notices)
- Build-Outs / Pinch Points from £25,000 (includes two priority narrowing features at the entrance point into the village, cost for sign illumination, lighting column relocation, installation of traffic island associated road closure with Traffic

Management)

- Vehicle Activated Signs £5,000 (includes installation and a maintenance agreement)

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You can see the whole “scene” on urban and village roads is changing during lockdown. As we look beyond that to how we can ensure social-distancing when restrictions are eased, we thought it useful to distribute our update on actions being taken by local authorities and governments to re-allocate space and lower speeds in communities to both reduce the spread of Covid-19 and also cope with the consequential load on the NHS. We trust that its of interest in considering “next step” decisions in your authority

[http://www.20splenty.org/cv-19\\_space\\_reallocation](http://www.20splenty.org/cv-19_space_reallocation)

We all need more space – 2m for safe social distancing during Covid-19. Leading cities are delivering more room for access on feet and slower speeds for public health, fewer casualties, to help us breathe, exercise and mitigate car use. If people avoid public transport in our cities then, unless walking or cycling is chosen instead of driving, urban areas may become polluted traffic jams as travel bans lift. 20mph limits are valuable, key tools for accessibility, lung health and economic recovery.

Milan in Northern Italy’s plan includes significant 20mph limits and active travel measures. Space will be reallocated. The aim is less air pollution by mitigating potential rises in car use and to give space for people moving on foot and by bicycle. Traffic reduction is an urgent public health and economic issue, as cars take up excessive public space and there is no desire to return to the highly polluted pre-lockdown air quality, as toxic air quality links to Covid-19 fatality rates. 22 miles of central streets will go 20mph; coupled with experimental traffic measures to protect cyclists and walkers. The plan has temporary cycle lanes, new and widened pavements. Milan is a compact city of 1.4 million people where 55% commuted by public transport before Covid-19. With average trips of under 2.5 miles, a switch to active travel modes is achievable. Pre-lockdown public transport use levels clearly affect the urgency of car use mitigation strategies.

United Kingdom. Doctors and campaigners are calling on Government and Councils for an emergency national urban 20mph limit, filtering residential rat runs, creating emergency low traffic neighbourhoods, suspending on-street parking on major routes, installing emergency wide protected cycle lanes or car one-way systems. Where there are four lanes of motor traffic, one each way can easily be reallocated to active travel. Remaining car lanes, with fewer drivers choosing to drive, can still move quickly and efficiently. Temporary guidance from the UK’s Department for Transport on 16 April offered some support to Councils to close roads more easily for social distancing. Brighton shut 2 miles of seafront to motors for space to walk and cycle on 19 April. Hammersmith & Fulham are widening shopping area pavements. The Metropolitan Police are prioritising enforcement of speeding including 20mph limits in a bid to reduce speed related casualties

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Brussels, Belgium will shift to predominantly 30km/h limits by Jan 2021. The central core will go 20km/h (12mph) from 1 May. Boulder Colorado USA plans to go 20mph for most roads.

Vienna, Austria has closed 20+ streets to motorised traffic. Oakland California has created quiet streets for recreation. It will close 47+ miles of roads to motors. The New Zealand Government will fund 90% of the costs of 'pop-up' Covid transport solutions. Berlin is studying temporary closure of 30 streets. 20mph limits and more space for people get about locally are needed now. They are popular, smart moves for all politicians.

New info on the 20's Plenty site this month in The New 20's Plenty for the NHS microsite

Doctors call for 20mph limits to Lower the Baseline Load on the NHS – fewer casualties taking up NHS capacity [http://www.20splenty.org/lower\\_baseline](http://www.20splenty.org/lower_baseline)

FAQs on emergency 20mph limit (for roads previously at 30mph) call on the Government [http://www.20splenty.org/nhs\\_fags](http://www.20splenty.org/nhs_fags)

Air Quality, 20mph limits and Covid-19 – 20mph is less polluting!  
[http://www.20splenty.org/air\\_quality\\_covid\\_19\\_and\\_20mph\\_limits](http://www.20splenty.org/air_quality_covid_19_and_20mph_limits)

Travel Patterns after lockdown  
[http://www.20splenty.org/travel\\_patterns\\_after\\_lockdown\\_ends](http://www.20splenty.org/travel_patterns_after_lockdown_ends)

Voxpops of people supporting 20mph limits as an emergency measure  
[http://www.20splenty.org/nhs\\_voxpops](http://www.20splenty.org/nhs_voxpops)

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As reported, there have been no passenger services on the Line for several weeks. At the time of writing, a demand-responsive taxi service is operating for key workers and those making journeys to support vulnerable members of the community. MVCRP has been working with employers and community groups to publicise this as widely as possible.

MVCRP has been working on Station Travel Plans under the banner of ‘Stations as Places’. This is part of a West Midlands Trains programme seeking to promote local rail stations as community ‘hubs’, rather than simply access points onto the rail network. The first phase of this work is now complete with the production of the “Marston Vale Line Stations as Places” report. The report is accompanied by a prospectus for each station between Bedford & Bletchley, which gives an overview of links with other forms of transport, and a summary of feedback received from passenger and stakeholder surveys. Each Prospectus also identifies a number of quick wins and longer-term goals for the station concerned.

### **Ridgmont Station Heritage Centre (see above)**

Unfortunately, the planned reopening of the Heritage Centre for the 2020 season on 24th March had to be postponed. It is hoped that the Heritage Centre and Tea Room can re-open in July once Government restrictions are eased. The Tea Room is offering a take away service in the meantime. Call 01525 287120 for details

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