Meeting

Community house Tinkers Bridge 31 March 2016



Apologies: Carly Wright

		Action by whom
1	Minutes of previous meeting Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.	
2	The Sunday Football This is going well. There were 15 children on the last Sunday and 29 on the previous Sunday	

3 Chairman's Report

John and Ron attended a meeting with some of the original designers and developers and of the city. This proved to be very helpful.

They also attended presentations at Wolverton regarding the Plan:MK. A parish presentation will be held at Woghton on 31/3/2016.

Plan:MK would cover the whole area of MK including Winslow, Hanslope and Olney which could become adjoined to MK as satellite towns with transport to the city.

The village of Astwood seemed to think that the expansion of MK is unnecessary.

The deadline for comments on Plan:MK is 6th April. Comments can be made online or in hard copy. Planning permission has been given for a large number of houses to be built across the city at the rate of 1700 a year. The estimated number for MK was 250 000. This number has already been reached.

4 Environment

Ron has been working flat out across the estate with the assistance of the community team.

5 Anne Bircham

April 1st is the launch of Your MK. A press release will be out on 4th April. Following the presentation a question and answer session was

held. Q: John asked if the council had any current planned maintenance for Tinkers Bridge. A: Anne promised to find out and that a survey has been done over the past year, but things may be put on hold until the new partnership has been actioned. Q: Kevin said that the original plan for TB and Netherfield houses were that they were to be demolished after a certain number of years; why had this not been done? A: Anne said that she did not know about that. Q: John said that one of the original designers had stated that no lifespan had been put on the houses. If maintained properly, they would last; if not they would not last. Cliff stated that similar buildings are being put up in other parts of MK. Many homes built during the 70s were timber framed because of a brick shortage. A suggestion was put forward that every house should have a fire extinguisher or blanket and John suggested that fire prevention advice should be given out regarding fire alarms etc. and that this could be incorporated into the neighbourhood Watch scheme. Barbara stated that the lofts were the real fire hazard as there was no division between them. 6 Welcome packs There had been on the agenda before – it was agreed that it would be a good idea to think again about providing them. 7 **Woughton Community Neighbourhood Plan** The second stage of the consultation was now process in the form of the Issues and Futures Document. As WCC were trying to take the plan further towards a draft neighbourhood plan. Responses to the document were required by 20th April. Our community plan will be part of the WCC pland and other estates have also offered surveys to WCC. 8 **Easter Egg Hunt** This will take place on 1st April at the meeting place. 9 **Tinkers Bridge Community Plan**

> We have not learned of any changes to our plan from First Steps so the launch will take place on 28th April at the Tinkers Bridge RA

	meeting.	
	We have invited people from Woughton and MK to join us at the meeting and give us their ideas as to how they can help put the plan into action.	
	John said that he would invite Hannah O'Neil and Pete Marland.	
	The labour policy has been launched today and it states that it will give each estate a consultancy period to talk about their plans.	
12	Meeting Place	
	We need to be able to use our own meeting place. We could perhaps have the meeting place one day a week to hold various events e.g. gardening club, pool sessions.	
	We have had a letter from Kevin Wilson supporting the idea that we build a better relationship with WCC and he encourages us to talk to him about things to do with the community.	
13	Update on the work being carried out on Groveway	
	The barriers and underpass fences are being replaced along Groveway.	
14	Pavements and Potholes	
	On Easter Monday, Dvae Lee and a team of volunteers went around TB measuring and photographing potholes and pavements raised by tree roots. They discovered 109 tree root and potholes damaged areas.	
	The council has been informed about this and the photographs will be passed onto them as evidence.	
	If anybody is injured and as long as there have been enough complaints the council will be forced to take action.	
	Kevin asked if we could have a tarmac team and do the repairs ourselves.	
	The Highways department who is responsible for the potholes and the housing department who look after the pavements.	

Dave Lee proposed a website for Tinkers Bridge. The cost for the hosting would be £50 a year for 5 years. The motion was carried. Newsletter Ron has copies of the latest edition and these will be delivered on 1st

	April. Our funding for the newsletter has run out now, there there is a new printer in Woburn Sands that is very reasonable. It was proposed that we try them for 3 months. Carried. Attendance sheets Lesley asked that people wrote their names and addresses clearly so that they can be read easily.	
16	Next meeting The next meeting will be on 28 th April at 7.30.	

JO/LB