

Woughton Community Council

SERVICES AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

19th January 2026

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Nick Scott (Chair), Deanna Norris, Michael Ferguson, Maggie Ferguson, Penny Glasgow, April Rennie, Liz Simpkins, Sue Smith, Lorna Webb and Alan Williamson.

Also in attendance: Steve McNay (Council Manager), and Tash Darling (Youth and Communities Manager)

SC 67/25 Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllrs Louis, McMillan and Mordecai.

RESOLVED - noted

SC 68/25 Declarations of Interest:

No declarations were made.

RESOLVED - noted

SC 69/25 Questions from the public (maximum 15 minutes):

No questions were received.

RESOLVED - noted

SC 70/25 Chairs announcements:

The Chair shared details of the RSPB Birdwatching event taking place at the Community Garden on Sunday 25th January.

RESOLVED – noted.

SC 71/25 Minutes of previous meetings:

To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on:

- Monday 17th November 2025.

Proposed by Cllr Scott. Seconded by Cllr Glasgow.

RESOLVED by way of unanimous vote.

SC 72/25 To consider and decide on grant applications

- a) Leadenhall Residents Association annual events programme and running costs
The committee reviewed the paperwork and the Council Manager provided an oversight of the application. The application covers both running costs (following the committee requesting that LHRA apply, rather than be paid an annual amount) and events including coach trips and cinema events.
Some queries were raised regarding the validity of the minutes that were submitted as part of the application, suggestions that running costs should be funded separately (some confusion around this as the committee previously passed a motion that LHRA should have to apply for running costs, rather than be awarded the annual amount) and that there was a further LHRA meeting



planned for early February and therefore, these issues could be addressed at that meeting.

Proposal:

That this application is deferred until the committee meeting in February, allowing Cllrs Glasgow and Smith to investigate issues within the LHRA meeting on 5th February.

Proposed by: Cllr Glasgow. Seconded by: Cllr Scott

RESOLVED by way of majority vote.

Additional elements were noted after the vote was taken to investigate the level of money in the LHRA bank account and to ensure that the funding allocated is for events that they have stated they will deliver, alongside queries regarding the previous decision relating to the annual funding allocation being reinstated to LHRA.

SC 73/25 To receive feedback from previously awarded grants

Feedback from Tinkers Bridge Residents Associations trip to Birmingham was provided by the Council Manager, using the report provided and photos were also shown on screen.

RESOLVED – noted.

SC 74/25 To consider signing up to the ‘Pads a Plenty’ scheme

The Committee considered whether the council would like to be involved with the Girl Pack fundraising approach during February / March 2026, focusing on both sanitary products and money to be raised to support the work of Girl Pack.

Proposal:

That the committee agrees to be involved in the ‘Pads a Plenty’ scheme.

Proposed by: Cllr Scott. Seconded by: Cllr Norris

RESOLVED by way of unanimous vote.

SC 75/25 Update on CCTV from Crimewave Ltd

Details of actions and updates relating to the CCTV cameras provided and installed within the parish were shared. Evidence of fly tipping shared with landlord (P4P) but no interest in addressing this. Other discussions around future placement – no decision made.

RESOLVED – noted.

SC 76/25 To consider moving the Community Larder to the ‘fridge’ space and consideration of any other activities that may be suitable

With the ‘fridge’ end of the building relatively unused, consideration of moving the larder there and ideas of any further use for the space. There was a lack of clarity around whether the larder would work within the space. There was also discussion around other uses. A query was also raised regarding how we might change the way that the community fridge works, as people have commented about the fact that they have to wait outside in bad weather.

Clarification regarding the reasoning for the move requested, with clarity about whether this is something that is better for ‘customers’.

Further information to return to next meeting for agreement.

SC 77/25 Proposed Men’s Group



The Youth and Community Manager provided an overview of proposed Men's Group session at No 99, explaining the reasoning for it, the funding in place and the proposed delivery approach. Committee discussed the idea and were supportive of it – suggestions that there are existing options that could also be accessed (e.g. Men in Sheds). The sessions aim to provide safe, supportive space, with options for signposting where appropriate. The service aims to build on the feedback that whilst men are accessing advice and wellbeing services, but that there isn't a 'social space'.
RESOLVED – noted.

SC 78/25 Update on the MK PEP (Sport England) project, recent training and activities being delivered through this scheme

Following both officers and councillors taking part in two days training, combined with agreement for delivery of activity sessions, an update was provided to the committee, with the overall view being that whilst there was some value, it was a lot of time to spend on this. There were also concerns that some of the information provided was flawed and that some of the session was targeted at people who didn't have preexisting knowledge. Feedback was mixed, with some people finding it inspiring and helpful, others less so. It was also noted that there is some delivery now happening – walking bus, an older women's group and seated yoga. Details will be sent round to all once agreed.

RESOLVED – noted.

Date of next meeting:

Monday 16th February 2026 @ 6.00pm

Woughton Community Council Hub, The Local Centre, Council Chambers, 60, Garraways, Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5EG.

The Chair closed the meeting at 19:04 hours

Signed:

