Woughton Community Council

SERVICES AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

14th September 2026

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Deanna Norris (Vice-Chair and Chair of this meeting), D'Anne Mordecai, April Rennie, Lorna Webb, Alan Williamson.

Also in attendance: Steve McNay (Council Manager)

SC 36/26 Apologies:
Apologies were received from Cllrs Scott, Smiht, Marsh, Louis, Glasgow, Michael Ferguson, Maggie Ferguson and Munkley.
RESOLVED - noted

SC 37/26 Declarations of Interest:
Under the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, made under s30 (3) of the Localism Act, members must declare any disclosable pecuniary interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting, and any additional interests not previously declared.

No declarations were made.
RESOLVED - noted

SC 38/26 Questions from the public (maximum 15 minutes):
There were no questions from the public
RESOLVED - noted

SC 39/26 Chairs announcements:
The Chair noted that Apple Da is coming up on 26th September between 11am – 3pm at the Community Garden.
RESOLVED - noted

SC 40/26 Minutes of previous meetings:
To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on:
- Monday 20th July 2026.

Proposed as a true and accurate record by Cllr Norris, seconded by Cllr Rennie and RESOLVED by way of unanimous vote.

SC 41/26 To receive updates on service provision
This item was passed over, as repeated at SC 48/26

SC 42/26 To consider use of space for rough sleeping provision
Following contact from MKCC, the committee considered use of WCC buildings for SWEP rough sleeping support. Concerns were noted about community buildings operating outside the agreed hours, potentially causing disruption for local residents. As a result, the following was tabled:

PROPOSAL
That the council does not proceed with this proposal
Proposed by: Cllr Rennie. Seconded by: Cllr Williamson
RESOLVED by way of unanimous vote.

SC 43/26 Events
The committee considered the events that have taken place and made the following points:
- That the events had been successful
- That better communications in the run up to Festival and on the morning would have been preferred, specifically:
    - Who was doing what
    - How do tickets for food work? Can children have them if they don't do a survey? What happens to people who aren't from the parish (it was suggested that all should be treated the same)? How can people have one ticket but have food from different stalls?
    - How do the lollies work on the LHRA stall? Why did some children not get an ice lolly?
- Timetable for councillor table and perhaps a bigger table for completing surveys would be helpful.
- Better signage, so people know what is where.
- Stallholders to be confirmed earlier, with details of stalls and timings made clearer.
- That picnics, if happening again, include advertising in advance (some were very short notice) and clarification of why some estates got them, and some didn't?

RESOLVED - noted

SC 44/26 To receive the MK PEP Full Award briefing.
Following the award of further funding for the Sport England programme, the committee was provided with the briefing and notes and given the opportunity to provide feedback. provide any feedback. This included ideas about what may be helpful:
- Reinstating the football pitch on Beanhill
- Build new football teams (perhaps inter estate games?)
- Consider infrastructure needed to improve formal coaching (DBS, first aid, etc), as this has been an issue when previous sessions have run.
- Courts on the Tinkers Bridge 'middle' park to be looked at
- Walking football for older people
- Street Dance project

  The overall view was that work needed to be done on engagement with people to find out what is wanted and needed.

RESOLVED - noted

SC 45/26 To consider the Santa Sleigh programme and agree times / dates, including any support to Campbell Park
So that dates can be published, for committee to agree to a programme for Santa Sleigh and to consider an approach from CPCC for use of the van / sleigh for two (2) estates within their parish. This item was deferred to Full Council, due to the lack of attendees within the meeting.
Proposal:

To defer this item to Full Council for consideration.
Proposed by: Cllr Mordecai. Seconded by Cllr Williamson
RESOLVED

SC 46/26 To consider working with YES Energy Solutions to provide advice to residents
Following an approach from YES, the committee considered the suitability of working together and to consider where this might take place. As the paper explained in detail the potential options, committee felt that this was sufficient 'due diligence'.
PROPOSAL
That committee tasks the officer team to progress this approach
Proposed by: Cllr Rennie. Seconded by: Cllr Norris.
RESOLVED by way of unanimous vote.

SC 47/26 To consider the recent article in 'The Clerk' magazine and consider any actions that council may wish to take
With concerns increasing around food security, for committee to consider the possible impacts locally and any actions that may be wanted. Due to concerns about the number of attendees at this meeting, it was agreed to take this issue to Full Council.
RESOLVED

SC 48/26 Service Provision Updates
The committee received updates on Youth, Community, Food and Estates services, with comments made around number of attendees at TB Café and a suggestion around placement of a CCTV camera.
RESOLVED – noted

SC 49/26 To provide an update on the Annual Service Plan, with actions to this point
To review progress against the service plan for the council year, updating where actions have been taken and review progress, the Council Manager spoke to the plan with current actions.
RESOLVED - noted

SC 50/26 To receive the CCTV update for June
Committee members received the Crimewave report from June and considered any future areas.
RESOLVED - noted

SC 51/26 To review bin provision
Following discussion at the last meeting, to clarify the bins that WCC is responsible for and consider any additions. Colne Park (currently TBRA) and Rainbow Park (BHRA) were both requested as additions to the regular bin collection regime.

It was also requested that the Aldenham dog bin be replaced.
RESOLVED - noted

Date of next meeting:
Monday 19th October 2026 at

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

The Chair closed the meeting at 19.15PM hours

Signed: **Date:**