

8 April 2015

To: Town Mayor and all Members of the Partnership Committee

Town Councillors: S Cotter – Vice Chair, A Dodwell, G Rolfe, K Sharer and P Snelling

Central Bedfordshire Councillors: D Bowater, D Hopkin - Chair, B Spurr and N Warren

G McKenzie, S Hughes – Central Bedfordshire Council


All business groups

Rev. P Niemiec (Community Forum spokesperson)

(Copies to other Town Councillors and to Councillor N Young for information)

## NOTICE OF MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Partnership Committee** to be held on **Thursday 16 April 2015** commencing at **1930 hours** in the Council Chamber, The White House, Hockliffe Street.



M Saccoccio  
Town Clerk

## AGENDA

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record be kept of the Members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Town Clerk.

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- (i) Under the Localism Act 2011 (sections 26-37 and Schedule 4) and in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, Members are required to declare any interests which are not currently entered in the Member's Register of Interests or if he/she has not notified the Monitoring Officer of it.
- (ii) Should any Member have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in an item on the agenda, the Member may not participate in consideration of that item unless a Dispensation has first been requested (in writing) and granted by the Council (see Dispensation Procedure).

### 3. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 minutes per person; maximum 15 minutes)

To receive questions and statements from members of the public in respect of any item of business included in the agenda, as provided for in Standing Order No.s 1(f) and 1(h).

### 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the Partnership Committee meeting held on 12 February 2015 (**attached**).

### 5. ENABLING DELIVERY IN LEIGHTON-LINSLADE

By invitation Jason Longhurst, Director of Regeneration and Business at Central Bedfordshire Council, will attend the meeting to update the Committee on Town Centre projects including the Market Towns initiative, the plans for development of South side of the High Street & Bridge Meadow, commercial developments and the Town Centre Delivery Plan.

### 6. COMMITTEE OBJECTIVES AND WORK PLAN

- (a) To receive and consider the Committee objectives and work plan for 2014-2015 (**attached**).
- (b) To receive and consider the draft Committee objectives and work plan for 2015-2016 (**attached**).

### 7. RESIDENT SURVEY RECOMMENDATIONS

To receive and consider more detailed information regarding recommendations arising from the town centre/residents' survey (report **to follow**).

### 8. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

To receive an update from Central Bedfordshire Council on business support projects delivered for 2014-2015 (**attached**).

### 9. GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN

To receive a summary document in relation to the Green Infrastructure Plan (**attached**) and to consider making a recommendation to the Town Council to formally adopt the Plan. (*summary document attached; supporting technical information document available on request*).

#### **10. PARSON'S CLOSE RECREATION GROUND**

To receive and note an update report (**attached**) regarding provision of a temporary beach for 2015 in Parson's Close Recreation Ground.

#### **11. BUDGET**

(a) To receive an updated Partnership budget report (2014-15 & 2015-16) (**attached**) and consider making a recommendation to Policy and Finance Committee to carry forward any unspent funds into 2015-2016.

(b) To receive a report (**attached**) regarding distribution of the new Tourism Leaflet and to consider the recommendations contained therein.

#### **12. CHILDREN'S LITERARY TRAIL**

To receive a report regarding the Children's Literary Trail (**attached**) and to consider the recommendations contained therein.

**Committee Members receive all documentation.  
Background papers available to all Councillors upon request.**