

Milton Ernest Parish Council

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The Planning Department
Bedford Borough Council
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Dear Sirs

At the 7th February 2013 meeting of the Milton Ernest Parish Council it was resolved to prepare a Neighbourhood Development Plan for the parish. A copy of the relevant resolution is attached.

Pursuant to this resolution and the ss61F and 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (the Act) and regulation 5 of Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (the Regulations) we therefore apply to the Borough to designate Milton Ernest as a Neighbourhood Area. The attached map, derived from Ordnance Survey and Borough supplied data, shows the area applied for outlined in red. (Please note that it is the OS/Borough data that are to be used to define the area - the outlining is merely for information to indicate which boundaries are to be used.)

In accordance with regulation 5(b) we assert that it is desirable the whole of Milton Ernest is included and that taken together with the applications for designations of other Neighbourhood Areas from neighbouring parishes made contemporaneously with this application a more integrated approach to planning at the neighbourhood level can be achieved.

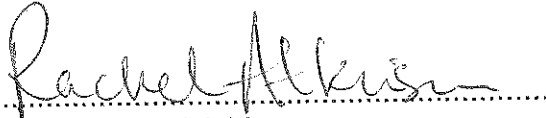
In accordance with regulation 5(c) we assert that Milton Ernest Parish Council is the relevant body for the purposes of s61G of the Act.

Having regard to *inter alia* s61G(3)(a) the Act we believe the area applied for has not been already designated as a Neighbourhood Area and that the areas applied for by

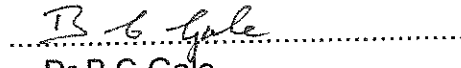
Milton Ernest and neighbouring parishes do not overlap.

We look forward, in due course, to receiving your approval of this application and working with the Borough towards planning a better Bedford.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Rachel Atkinson
Chair/Milton Ernest Parish Council



Dr B C Gale
Clerk/Milton Ernest Parish Council

MILTON ERNEST PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 7th February 2013

Present:- Cllrs R Atkinson (chair), R Winter, J Williams, C Sharman, M Quince, D Snowball and D Newman.
Clerk B Gale 9 Residents

Minutes

10. Reports by Representatives

10.1 - Neighbourhood Development Plan

Cllr Atkinson reported on the RAE DPP Meeting of 22nd January 2013, noting that Bolnhurst & Keysoe PC had withdrawn from the scheme but that Clapham PC had decided to be involved. The scheme was again discussed and Cllr Newman expressed concern over an aspect of the proposed DPP constitution. Cllr Quince proposed the following resolution; this was seconded by Cllr Sharman and agreed by all other councillors except Cllr Newman who abstained.

Resolution:-

- (a) To prepare a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) in relation to the area(s) given in (b) below;
 - (b) Pursuant to Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 to apply to Bedford Borough Council for the designation of the area of this parish (or part thereof as shown on the given map) as a Neighbourhood Area;
 - (c) To approve the constitution of the RAE Development Plan Partnership;
 - (d) To delegate to the RAE Development Plan Partnership preparation of the said NDP in relation to the following matters insofar as they are within the boundaries of this parish:-
 - i. The employment areas given by the Borough's Allocations and Designations Plan known as Thurleigh Airfield and Twinwoods.
 - ii. The highways serving the employment areas given in (d)i. above.
 - (e) To delegate the preparation of the planning document(s) to the RAE Development Plan Partnership. The content of these documents, in relation to areas not covered by (d) above (or by further delegation as may from time to time be made) to be exclusively within the control of this parish.
- The RAE Development Plan Partnership shall enjoy status as a joint committee of the participating parishes."

Decision: It was resolved to prepare an NDP and delegate the task for selected areas to the RAE DPP and agree to its constitution.

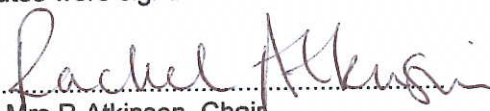
To cover the cost of administration and specialist services the RAE DPP needs funding from participating Parish Councils; Cllr Quince proposed the following resolution; this was seconded by Cllr Winter and agreed by all other councillors except Cllr Newman who abstained.

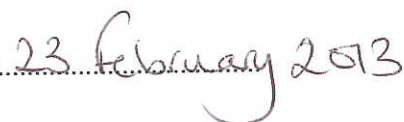
Resolution:-

"This Parish Council resolves to contribute £125 per quarter, starting on 5th April 2013, to fund the work of the RAE DPP until the work of the Partnership is complete or the resolution is rescinded or otherwise modified by resolution of this Council."

Decision: It was resolved to approve funding for the RAE DPP at a rate of £125 per quarter, starting on 5th April 2013.

These minutes were signed as a true record of the meeting.

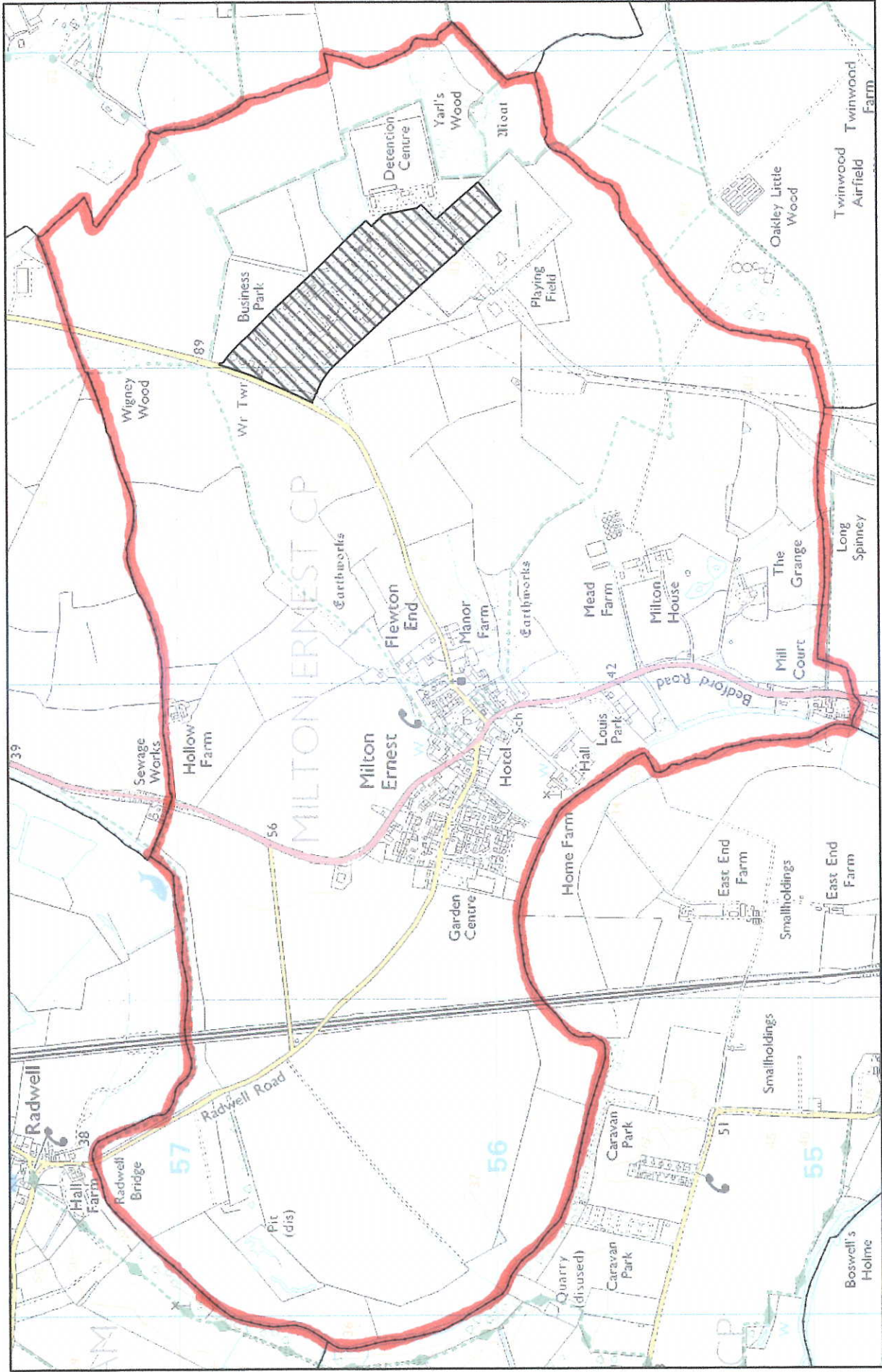
Signature.....
Mrs R Atkinson, Chair

Date.....

I certify the foregoing is an extract from the MEPC minutes held on 7th February 2013.

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B C Gale, Clerk/MEPC

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Application for Designation of Milton Ernest as Neighbourhood Area