

Focus



Focus # 391 on Brooklands, Broughton & Broughton Gate

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR HUGE RESPONSE...

...to our survey last month asking you to set our **PRIORITIES** for 2022.



Broughton



Broughton Gate



Brooklands

TOP	Parking	TOP	Litter	TOP	Speeding
2	Speeding	2	Parking	2	HGVs everywhere
3	Dog fouling	3	Landscaping	3	Litter
4	Drug dealing	4	Speeding	4	Parking
5	Other crime	5	Community facilities	5	Landscaping

ALSO MENTIONED ON ALL THREE ESTATES: Service charges & the Health Centre

Some of these issues are the responsibility of the developer where an estate has not yet been fully "adopted" (handed over to the Council by the developer). We believe the Council should be more proactive in getting the developer to improve their performance before adoption. We're taking legal advice on this.

SOME OF YOUR OTHER COMMENTS

In **Broughton**: Many trees dead. Not enough dog poo bins. Delivery lorries breaking up paving in Tanfield Square. Road markings faded.

In **Broughton Gate**: Urgent need for wheelie bins. Street lights not being fixed. Broughton & Brooklands have a community pavilion & playing fields - why not Broughton Gate?

In **Brooklands**: Buses & HGVs ignore raised tables - our houses shake. Dog fouling around play areas dangerous for children. Wheelie bins are left outside people's houses rather than in the car parks behind. Width restriction(s) needed on Fen Street. No market in Brooklands Square

SAM HAS WON SUPPORT FOR BROUGHTON & BROOKLANDS FROM MK COUNCIL



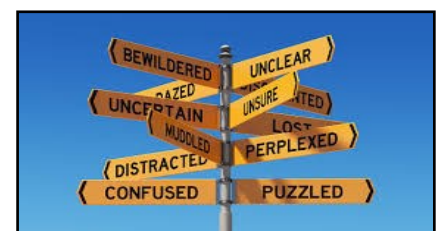
Upgrade to the Northfield roundabout traffic lights



Money to resolve parking issues at key locations.



In Cooks Place, Brooklands



Repaired street signs in Kemsley Crescent, Cadeby Court & Staverton Grove

If you know of anyone who is vulnerable or in need of help at the moment please contact the Council's COVID-19 help line **01908 252398**.

SAFER MK SURVEY

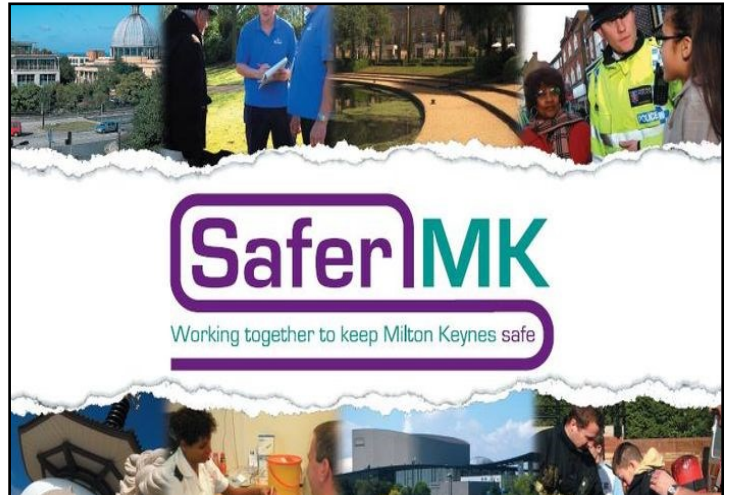
The Council, with the Police, the Fire & Rescue Service & the NHS is running a survey to find out what you, the public, think of their new proposals to tackle serious violence across five main areas (i) early intervention & prevention, (ii) shared information & intelligence, (iii) tackling drugs & county lines, (iv) engagement & community support and (v) law & enforcement.

Here's the link to the survey:

<https://forms.office.com/r/wZLisTnMTg>

Deadline

Monday 7 March



MORE WILD FLOWERS ON THE GRID ROADS

The Council, with the Parks Trust, are introducing a new policy of wild flower seeding and bulb planting along the grid roads starting 1.5 metres back from the kerb edge.

This will not affect the immediate kerb side or (on dual carriageways) the central reservations which have to be kept free for utility repairs and emergency vehicles.

For a copy of the proposals, email or text Sam on:

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CONGRATULATIONS TO...

...Broughton Cycling Group who, part sponsored by Franklins Solicitors, raised over £3,000 for Willen Hospice last year, notwithstanding COVID restrictions.



The Parish Council decided last month not to increase its council tax in 2022 - 23.

It will remain at £33.69 per year for a Band D equivalent tax payer, one of the lowest in Milton Keynes for a parish of its size.



Sam, Kerrie & Uroy The **Focus** team

We aim to reply to mails, text or calls within 48 hours. Texting's usually fastest. If we don't, please get in touch again in case we've missed your message.

Thank you !