

# Focus



## Focus # 391 on Willen & Willen Park

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## THANK YOU FOR YOUR HUGE RESPONSE...

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



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| <b>TOP</b> | <b>Protecting estate from MK East</b>    |
| <b>2</b>   | <b>Litter, especially at Willen Lake</b> |
| <b>3</b>   | <b>Maintenance of public open space</b>  |
| <b>4</b>   | <b>Road &amp; redway maintenance</b>     |
| <b>5</b>   | <b>Fear of crime</b>                     |

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| <b>TOP</b> | <b>Speeding on Sakura Walk</b>      |
| <b>2</b>   | <b>Parking</b>                      |
| <b>3</b>   | <b>Litter</b>                       |
| <b>4</b>   | <b>More dog waste bins</b>          |
| <b>5</b>   | <b>Access to the Tree Cathedral</b> |

## HERE ARE SOME OF YOUR COMMENTS

**On Willen:** Carleton Gate must be re-opened. Traffic congestion will increase along the Willen Road, Dansteed Way, Brickhill Street & Tongwell Street - what is the Council going to do? Face up to the impending Willen access problem because of MK East before it's too late & Willen residents become "trapped" in Willen. No more unsightly wheelie bins in front of houses. Reduce Parish Council precept. Improve some of the crumbling redways for cyclists. Increasing number of rats around the Local Centre. Solve the school parking problem!

**On Willen Park:** Someone will get killed on Sakura Walk the parking & speeding is now so bad. Some simple adaptations to the Tree Cathedral would make it much easier for disabled residents to access from Lovat Fields. Also in Lovat Fields - improve the Council's waste & recycling collection. Stop visitors to Willen Lake parking for free outside Camphill instead of paying in the Padoga carpark across Brickhill Street.

I am establishing a Liaison Committee for Willen residents to meet regularly with Berkeley St James about MK East. I have five nominations so far. Would anyone else like to join? If so please email or text me on [focusteam@live.co.uk](mailto:focusteam@live.co.uk) or 07803 036 656

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**.



## 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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## SAFER MK SURVEY

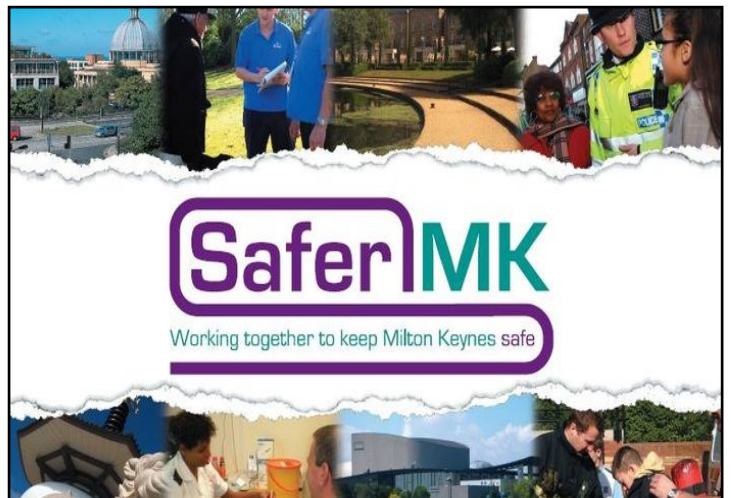
The Council, with the Police, the Fire & Rescue Service & the NHS is running a survey to find out what you, the public, think of their new proposals to tackle serious violence across five main areas (i) early intervention & prevention, (ii) shared information & intelligence, (iii) tackling drugs & county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



The Council will be replacing the missing street nameplates in Grimbald Court and Carleton Gate this month, and Portland Drive in March.

## SAVE THE DATE

**Thursday 2 June**

Jubilee celebration organised by the Parish Council at the Willen Pavilion.

More details later including time, fun and food...



The Parish Council, which covers five residential estates including Willen, decided last month to set its council tax in 2022 - 23 at £197.70 per year for a Band D equivalent tax payer.

This is a 2% increase on the current year.



## 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 !**