



17 October 2025

Cllr Steve Watkins, Chair of General Purposes Committee

Cc: Cllr John Baker, Vice Chair of General Purposes Committee

Natasha Taylor, Monitoring Officer

Mr Brian Dunleavy, Democratic Services Manager

Via email

Dear Cllr Watkins

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE 23 OCTOBER 2025

I write with reference to item 7 on the meeting agenda for the above, in respect of a Community Governance Review and the recommendations made with regard to the parish of Leighton-Linslade.

I note in Appendix B of the report, the representation submitted by six elected members of the Town Council, two of whom are also Central Bedfordshire ward councillors.

May I take the opportunity to underline the fact that this representation reflects the personal views of individual town councillors, but not the formal, collective view of the Town Council as a body.

At a meeting of its Policy & Finance Committee on 16 June 2025 and subsequently at an extraordinary meeting of the Town Council on 11 August 2025, the Community Governance Review was discussed. On both occasions, it was determined by majority vote that no changes to existing governance arrangements be proposed.

The Town Council therefore submitted no formal response to the consultation, as no changes were to be proposed.

Should you have any queries on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mark Saccoccio

Town Clerk