Annual Report 2013/14 Sandy Town Council



Foreword from the Mayor

On behalf of Sandy Town I am pleased to introduce our report to the electorate of Sandy and Beeston after during another exceptionally busy and challenging year.

In December we supported the largest event to be held in Sandy which was the Christmas Lights festival. Around 3,000 attended during the day and early evening. We were blessed with good weather and a great selection of entertainment – all from Sandy and Beeston. We have a wealth of talent and it was good to be able to showcase this. Sandy Town Council is committed to continuing to supporting this event as well as providing the Christmas illuminations for the benefit of everyone in the local area and beyond.

This year there have been changes as some councillors stood down to be replaced by new members from our community. However, with only a year to go before the next local elections, we can expect more changes in 2015. Becoming a councillor is a big commitment to take on and if you are considering standing for election I would urge you to attend as many council meetings as you can and also read the current "Good Councillor Guide" 4th edition (available on our website) – essential reading for everyone.

With the recent changes in the way the Council Tax benefit system was funded Sandy Town Council faced a loss of over £42,000 of mitigation funding provided by central government which Central Bedfordshire Council refused to pass on to us. Central Bedfordshire Council was one of only 17 principal authorities in the country which failed to follow government advice to pass on part or all of this funding but we were unable to persuade them to do the right thing.

At last year's Annual Parish Meeting I again invited local organisations to attend and give presentations. So over the past two meetings we have heard from the majority of these groups and schools. As Mayor I have continued to connect to as many schools, groups and organisations in Sandy and Beeston as I could.

I would like to thank all the organisations who have welcomed me to their events and I hope that my presence has helped in some way to publicise your work and fundraising efforts.



Cllr Mrs Susan Sutton

Town Mayor

The Council

In April 2013 Sandy Town Council adopted a new strategic plan which included a summary of the council's purpose:

Sandy Town Council exists to serve and represent the interests of the whole community of Sandy and to work for provision of services for its residents. Sandy Town Council will work with organisations or people willing to improve the well-being and prospects of the community.

The document included a statement of the council's core values and its current objectives and as well as details of its strategic plan for the community and environment of Sandy. The plan can be viewed on our website. The council adopted a new vision statement which expresses the council's primary aspiration: **To make Sandy a town to be proud of and a good place to live** and the fifteen councillor members and the staff team have worked hard to live up to this goal during the year.

The council has had a full schedule of meetings including

10 Full Council Meetings

17 Development Scrutiny Committee Meetings,

7 Community Services and Environment Committee Meetings

9 Policy Finance and Resources Committee Meetings

These meetings were the forum for strategic decision making and were all held in public mainly in the Council Chamber at 10 Cambridge Road. Members of the public attended many meetings and the introduction of a hearing loop, public address system and new furniture layout has helped to make meetings more accessible to them. Our local PCSO gave regular reports to the council and the officers of different public agencies and service providers gave presentations and reports to the council during the year. In addition councillors participated in four Human Resources advisory group meetings, two budget planning financial workshops, numerous working group meetings and informal meetings with members of the community as well as attending meetings at Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC). Members have acted as representatives on a number of outside bodies:

Talk of the Town Transport Committee

Village Hall Management Committee

Sandy Twinning Association

Sandy Enhancement Group

Sandy Sports and Leisure Association

Sandy Young Peoples Youth Club

Sandy Town Team

22 Squadron Air Training Corps Parents and Friends Committee

Sandy Charities

Sandy Walkers are Welcome

Sandy Skating Association 2000

Royal British Legion (Sandy Branch)

Sandy Town Plan Group

Regular councillor surgeries were held in Sandy Library and in Lloyds Chemist, some in conjunction with Central Bedfordshire Council Sandy Ward Councillors. These surgeries are an important aspect of the council's work providing one of many opportunities for residents to raise issues of concern and talk to councillors about their aspirations for Sandy. Councillors are also available by appointment, their telephone, email and addresses are published on the council website.

During this year there have been some changes to the composition of the Council. Chris Butterfield was elected on 3 May 2013 following the resignation of Sandie Lunn who had moved away from the area. In December 2013 former Town Mayor Geoff White also left the council after 9 years of loyal and effective service and his seat in Fallowfield Ward was filled by the co-option of Keith Sharp in February 2014. In February 2014 Andy Maycock and Ken Lynch also resigned and at the time of writing the council is waiting to fill these two casual vacancies by co-option. It is always a matter for great regret when members leave the council and we value the contributions of all members. The task of being a town councillor can be very demanding requiring regular attendance at meetings, careful preparation and consideration of issues, understanding of local policies and legal procedures, close contact with the whole community and the ability to advocate for it. Our councillors are a diverse group who bring a range of different skills and ideas to the council

table but they all share two things: they receive absolutely no payment for their work and they all want to make Sandy a better place to live and work. Many former councillors have excellent relationships with the council and continue to work with us on community projects and events in Sandy.

The council launched its new look website at the end of 2012/2013 and throughout the past year this has been evolving and developing. Recently an RSS feed was added to provide automatic news updates for those who want them and we plan to introduce a monthly ezine when resources permit. Meanwhile the council is encouraged by the feedback it receives about the website the majority of which is very positive. An increasing amount of email traffic is coming direct from the contact forms on the site. We are working to increase transparency by adding more information (including more financial reports) in line with the thrust of government policy and good practice.

It is important to remember those in the community who do not have access to digital media and we continue to advertise council meetings and news via the Bulletin, the press and on noticeboards etc.

The council staff headcount and hours worked remained static during the year although one member of permanent staff left the council's employment following a period of long term sickness and a temporary replacement continued to be employed. A change to the national salary scales for local government employees of 1% was implemented with effect from 1 April 2013 representing the first increase in pay which Sandy Town Council staff have received since 2009.

Community Services and Projects

Allotments

In November 2013 the Sandy Allotment site at Stratford Road was finally closed and over 40 years of allotment gardening on the site was celebrated and mourned with a bonfire and barbecue for tenants run by the Sandy & District Allotment Association. The site has been cleared, closed to the public and preparations are under way for a new cemetery extension on this plot of land which was originally acquired for burial purposes.

The council has not ceased its search for a new allotment site and has continued negotiations with Central Bedfordshire Council in an attempt to secure land from their estates. We are maintaining a waiting list of potential tenants so that we can provide evidence of demand for a new site.

Cemetery and Churchyard

The council is now at the design and planning stage of its cemetery extension project. Topographical work has been done and environment agency approval has been secured. It is hoped to have a design to take through the planning process during the next year.

The council recognises the importance of the cemetery to our community, many people visit it daily and every effort has been made to maintain the cemetery to the highest possible standard so that we can provide a pleasing and tranquil environment for mourners. Our burial regulations are due for review in 2014 and as always these will be considered alongside our knowledge of changing mourning practices and modern needs.

During the past year there have been 38 burials and 12 interments of ashes. The chapel has been used for civil and religious funeral services. The council is aware that improvement to the paths is needed and it is planned to review this together with the structure and decoration of the chapel at the same time as considering the work to the new cemetery extension.

We are grateful for donations of benches and other memorials to the cemetery although at present there is little space for any additional seating. If the new cemetery extension is approved there may be the opportunity for donations of items in the new part of the grounds.

The council also maintains the closed churchyard at St Swithun's parish church.

Public open space and recreational facilities

Sandy Town Council provides sports facilities at Sunderland Road and Bedford Road Recreation Grounds. This year Sandy Football Club, which leases the football pavilion and pitch at Bedford Road on a beneficial lease, was successful in attracting external grant funding to refurbish and extend the pavilion. The club undertook its own fundraising to support the project and Sandy Town Council contributed funds as well as providing replacement flooring in the building. Planning gain funding from Central Bedfordshire Council was also used to support the project. The pavilion is now refurbished with improved changing rooms, showers and match officials facilities which were much needed.

At Sunderland Road Recreation Ground the council continued to provide beneficial leases and subsidised pitch fees to several sports organisations. In return volunteers from the sports clubs contribute to the upkeep of the facilities and these are also available for use by the public. The Jenkins Pavilion was managed for the council by Stevenage Leisure Ltd and community use of this building continued to increase.

Play equipment at Bedford Road, Sunderland Road, Beeston Green, the Limes Play area and Fallowfield Recreation Ground has been maintained during the year and inspected weekly. The Town Council developed a work plan for all its public open space in the Fallowfield estate and has been gradually working towards bringing this area up to a higher standard of appearance since it was adopted in April 2012. Residents should be mindful that not all the public open space in the estate belongs to Sandy Town Council and these accounts for some discrepancies in maintenance treatment.

Public open space at Pinnacle Hill, Pinnacle Field and Bedford Road/ Sunderland Road was maintained and made available for individual events during the year. Several pop-up events in the recreation grounds were held throughout the year as well as a fair on Pinnacle Field.

The Riddy Nature Reserve has been managed by the Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire in conjunction with Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity. The reserve is a haven for native flora and fauna and visitors have enjoyed spotting different species throughout the seasons including a colony of water voles. Essential maintenance works have been undertaken and the area was grazed during the summer months.

The Town Council has been working with Central Bedfordshire Council and community groups in Beeston and Sandy to develop a Sandy Community Orchard project which it is hoped will be located on CBC land off Beeston Green. Beeston Green is a registered village green and has suffered during the year from increasing parking problems and heavier traffic on the roads nearby which have resulted in damage to the surface of the green. The council stated its intention to review the scheme of regulation for Beeston Green with a view to addressing some of these problems, it is anticipated that new bye laws may be needed.

Market and Town Centre Facilities

Sandy's regular Friday market has continued to decline during the past year and experience with the monthly Farmers' Market on the first Saturday of the month has been mixed. Sandy Town Team worked to encourage local interest in the market and during the year a two day continental market was held in the town centre car park in November with the support of the Town Council. The Town Team also held car boot sales in the car park. However footfall for the regular markets and car boot sales remained limited. The council will be reconsidering the future of the markets during the next year.

The council continued to provide free car parking in the town centre car park with the aim of supporting local businesses. The car park includes public conveniences which are owned

and operated by the town council as are the public conveniences at Bedford Road Recreation Ground. Repairs to the barrier and the public conveniences have been undertaken.

During the past year the Tesco supermarket was opened in Station Road/New Road and this was welcomed by the Town Council which had campaigned for improved food shopping facilities locally.

In July 2013 the Town Council supported the Pinnacle Trust's Make a Difference Day when local school children worked in the community to improve their environment and to make a difference to the lives of people in the Sandy community. It was encouraging to see young people in Sandy trying out police speed guns, cleaning up play areas and working with local charities as they learned about active citizenship and the importance of participating in community life.

Town Council premises at 10 Cambridge Road have been regularly used for civic events and also by Central Bedfordshire Council eg to provide a local Housing Needs service and by charities eg Relate to provide a local counselling service for young people. Local businesses and networking organisations have run training and other meetings from the chamber.

Street lighting provision was maintained and additional bins and benches were added to the town's facilities.

Tourism and Visitors

During 2013/14 the Tourist Information Centre in Sandy has been open 6 days per week. The centre is situated at the back of the Town Centre Car Park next to the main council building. Our two Tourism Advisors have provided information and advice to visitors to Sandy and to residents. We have sold local merchandise, Sandy calendars and Christmas cards as well as train tickets, theatre tickets and taken coach and holiday bookings.

The council has provided a series of guided walks and talks throughout the year. Sandy's status as a Walkers are Welcome town has encouraged walkers to visit and participate in the guided walks and we have worked with colleagues at Central Bedfordshire Council and Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charities to promote the Greensand Ridge Walk, the Bedfordshire Walking Festival and the development of the Sandy Green Wheel. The Town Council has also contributed funding to the development of the Green Wheel project. We have also supported the production of two Sandy Local Guides and one Sandy Tourism Guide. In November 2013 a civic delegation from our Polish Twin Town Skarszewy led by

their Mayor, Mr Dariusz Skalski, was welcomed to Sandy and the community garden in Bedford Road was renamed to celebrate the link between our two communities which began in 1995.

Christmas Lights and Switch on event

For the second year Sandy Town Council provided Christmas illuminations in the town directly rather than via a grant to the Chamber of Trade. The council made further investment in infrastructure so that the illumination scheme could be extended and the decorative scheme was changed from 2012. A community switch on event held on 1 December 2013 was organised by the Friends of Sandy Christmas Lights and resourced by community fundraising efforts with the help of a substantial donation from Tesco in Sandy, funding from Sandy Community First and financial support from Sandy Town Council and local businesses. A wide range of community organisations, businesses and residents participated in the event which was attended by over 3,000 people and provided community organisations with the opportunity to raise their profile and to raise funds for themselves.

Community Grants

The distribution of Sandy Town Council's community grant funding has again been decided by the Sandy Community First Panel which is composed of members and non-members of the council. This method of allocating funding was adopted to give "ordinary residents" a greater say in how money was spent. Sandy Community First is also responsible for recommending distribution of funding from central government through the national Community First initiative. Sandy Town Council provided a secretariat for the panel and together with a community development officer from CBC assisted those in the community who wanted to apply. During the last year community first grants were recommended for:

Biggleswade Sandy Lions Club	£500
Fit & Fabulous	£300
Pamax Afternoon Club	£300
Sandy Young Peoples Youth Club	£823
Friends of Sandy Christmas Lights	£1,000
Sandy Army Cadet Force	£500
Sandy Skating & Youth Association	£250
Sandy Pre School	£500
22 (Sandy) Air Training Corp	£250
Sandy Historical Society	£856
Dragons Thai Boxing Gym	£1,200
Sandy Helping Hands Unemployment & Guidance Centre	£363

Blunham Playing Field Association	£500
Kestrels Archery Club	£380
Sandy Carnival Association	£955
St Swithuns Community Choir	£350
Viv's Bingo	£400
Kings Rd Patient Participation Group	£392
Shefford & Sandy Hockey Club	£300
Full House Drama Group	£350
Sandcastles Playgroup	£250
Link a Ride	£800

2014/15 will be the final year when Community First central government funding will be available for community groups as this was a four year scheme.

Community Safety

On 27 September 2013 a well-attended multi-agency Pride in Sandy day was held in the Market Square to promote community safety and environmental awareness. The Town Council continued to fund a CCTV service via four fixed cameras - three in the town centre and one at Sunderland Road Recreation Ground. A redeployable camera is located at Cauldwell Court. Central Bedfordshire Council also provided three CCTV cameras in the town centre. The seven fixed cameras have been monitored by Hertfordshire CCTV Partnership on a 24/7 basis and have provided evidence for Police crime prevention and detection activities. Sandy Town Council has worked with Bedfordshire Police and Central Bedfordshire Council on a range of community safety activities and local residents have been involved in Neighbourhood Watch, Speedwatch and No Cold Calling Zone activities.

Planning and Development

The Development Scrutiny Committee has reviewed and commented on 77 planning applications during the year undertaking site visits to many of the proposed developments. There have been few applications for major developments this year although the council has reviewed a variety of applications including a wind turbine at the Lodge, new waste and recycling facilities (off New Road), improvements to Quince Court, numerous tree works and the usual domestic extensions. The year has seen completion and opening of the Tesco supermarket at New Road and the beginning of construction work on the housing development nearby and at the former Mellor Beauty site.

Residents have viewed planning documents at the Town Council offices (rather than using CBC's online facilities or travelling to Chicksands for the purpose) and have attended committee meetings to share their views with the council.

Finance

The Council's financial affairs were managed by the Policy, Finance & Resources Committee although the setting of the budget and precept and responsibility for all accounting matters resided with the full Council. The Town Clerk was the Responsible Financial Officer.

During the year the council has made changes to its internal accounting arrangements. The accounts work undertaken by staff has increased significantly during the past six years and no extra staff resource had been allocated to this work. With effect from 1 March 2014 part of the book-keeping and accounts work formerly undertaken in house was outsourced, new accounts software was introduced to permit use of sales and purchase ledgers, printing of cheques etc and the Council is now better placed to take advantage of the Legislative Reform (Payments by Parish Councils, Community Councils and Charter Trustees) Order 2014 which allows modernisation of local council payment methods. A re-coding exercise is to be undertaken in the early part of the coming year to ensure that financial reports are more transparent and accessible to members of the community and councillors alike. The introduction of these software and administrative changes means that at the time of writing the annual accounts have not yet been completed or subjected to internal or external audit. Therefore draft income and expenditure accounts only have been produced within this report. As always the formal accounts for the year will be published no later than 30 June 2014. However, for the year 2012/13, the Town Council received an unqualified audit opinion on its accounts from the external auditor.

Accounts 2013/14

31 March 2013	Income Summary	31 March 2014
412,412	Precept	398,491
•	Council Tax Support Grant	42,378
412,412	Sub Total	440,869
	Operating Income	
387,526	Administration	17,478
283	Allotments	0
17,253	Cemetery	26,048
3,468	Car Park (including Market)	4,446
1,202	Bedford Road Open Space	753
6,656	Sunderland Rd Open Space & Pavilion	2,763
11,413	Tourist Information Centre	12,011
0	Sandy Enhancement Group	121
3,627	Christmas Lights	6,349
2,174	The Riddy	3,133
4,806	Miscellaneous	7,048
9,426	Capital A/c	12,066
860,245	Total Income	533,085
	Running Costs	
212,063	Staff	229,055
93,455	Administration -Office	74,835
28,712	Administration -Works	27,820
240		800
7,052	Footway Lighting	9,415
8,670	Cemetery	11,148
16,459	Car Park (including Market)	15,423
4,403	Public Toilets – Car Park	4,207
4,395	Bedford Road Open Space	7,262
38,254	Sunderland Rd Open Space & Pavilion*	44,210
281	Beeston Green	81
3,000	The Pinnacle	3,462
36,413	Tourist Information Centre	35,077
3,749	Grass Cutting	3,749
508	Litter Bins, Seats & Shelters	352
2,618	Annual Report & Newsletter	2,142
224	Sandy Enhancement Group	332
8,483	Christmas Lights	16,285
770	Fallowfield	2,548
5,728	The Riddy	5,927
22,809	Miscellaneous	23,148
34,107	Capital A/c	2,159
4,417	Reserve A/c	4,543
536,812	Total Expenditure	523,980

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Electoral Wards

Beeston Ward includes properties in:

Ash Close, Brook End, East Side, Elder Close, Girtford Bridge, Grange Gardens, Great North Road, High Road, Hillview, Lime Avenue, London Road, Nursery Drive, Meadow Close, New Road, Orchard Road, Tempsford Road, The Baulk, The Cloches, The Crescent, The Green, The Knolls, West View, Whitestones

Ivel Ward includes properties in:

Albion Court, All Hallows, all Saints Way, Bedford Road, Bickerdikes Gardens, Birch Grove, Brandreth Place, Braybrook, Carter Street, Cedar Gardens, Church Path, Coopers Close, Deepdale, Edgcumbe Court, Elm Tree Road, Filland Court, Foster Grove, Girtford Crescent, Greyhound View, Harvey Court, Heron Close, High Street, Ivel Road, Kings Road, Laburnum Road, London Road, Manor Road, Market Square, Mayfield Court, Mill Lane, Monoux Place, Ongley Court, Ivel Road, Park Court, Park Mews, Park Road, Poplar Close, Potton road, Queens Road, Rivermead Gardens, Robert Hunt Gardens, Roman's View, Sandford Rise, Sandpiper Court, South Road, Spencer Road, Spring Grove, Station Road, Stratford Road, Swan Lane, Swansholme Garden Court, Swansholme Gardens, The Avenue, West Road, Western Way, Westfield Gardens, Willow Rise, Woolfield

Fallowfield Ward includes properties in:

Avocet Close, Brambling Close, Crow Hill, Cuckoo Close, Dove Close, Falcon Close, Fieldfare, Goldfinch Drive, Hawk Drive, Kestrel Way, Kingfisher Close, Larks Rise, Linnet Close, Merlin Drive, Osprey Close, Owlswood, Partridge Piece, Pipit Grove, Plovers Field, Robin Close, Rothbury Close, Starling Close, Swallow Crest, Swift Close, Tempsford Road, The Buntings, The Finches, The Harriers, The Jays, The Rookery, Weavers Green, Woodcock Close, Woodpecker Way, Wren Close

Pinnacle Ward includes properties in:

Abbey Grove, Alfred Cope Road, Alnwick close, Arran Close, Balmoral Close, Banks Drive, Belam Way, Berwick Way, Brickhill close, Brickhill Road, Brindley Close, Bunyan Road, Cambridge Road, Carlisle Close, Cauldwell Court, Cherrycroft, Churchill Way, College Road, Dapifer Drive, Deepdale, Delamare Close, Downing Court, East Road, Edward Close, Engayne Avenue, Everton Road, Faynes Court, Friars Walk, Hadley Court, Havelock Close, Kingsley Court, Glebe Road, Greens Close, Leeds Smith Drive, Lindisfarne Close, Longfield Road, Magnolia House, Malaunay Place, Maple Road, Market Square, Medusa Way, Middleham Close, Midland Road, Mills Walk Moores Court, Newton Way, Northcroft, Oak Close, Peels Place, Pentland Close, Powers Close, Pickering close, Pleasant Place, Potton Road, Quince Court, Rectory Court, Rowan Court, Rutland Gardens, Sand Lane, Sandon Close, Shannon Close, Skipton Close, St Neots Road, St Swithuns Way, Stirling Close, Stonecroft, Sunderland Road, Swaden, Talisman Close, Warkworth Close, Waverley Avenue, Wesley Road, Winchester Road, Windsor Way, Wynnefield Walk.

Table of Members attendance at meetings 2013/14

Town Council		
Councillors	Meetings attended (Total 10)	% attendance
Cllr Aldis	10	100%
Cllr Ali	6	60%
Cllr Butterfield ¹	9	100%
Cllr Jackson	8	80%
Cllr Lynch ²	3	30%
Cllr Maycock ³	6	60%
Cllr Osborne	6	60%
Cllr Pettitt	9	90%
Cllr Mrs Runchman	10	100%
Cllr Scott	7	70%
Cllr Sharman	9	90%
Cllr Smith	7	70%
Cllr Mrs Sutton	9	90%
Cllr Ms Walsh	5	50%
Cllr White ⁴	6	75%
Cllr Sharp	0	N/A
Councillors	Development Scrutiny Cor Meetings attended (Total 17)	mmittee % attendance
Cllr Ali	2	12%
Cllr Jackson	14	82%
Cllr Lynch	0	0%
Cllr Maycock	1	7%
Cllr Osborne	15	88%
Cllr Pettitt	10	58%
Cllr Scott	9	52%
Cllr Sharman	14	82%
Cllr Mrs Sutton	13	76%
Cllr White	10	100%
Cllr Sharp⁵	2	100%

¹ Cllr Butterfield was elected on 3 May 2013 ² Cllr Lynch resigned in March 2014 ³ Cllr Maycock resigned in March 2014 ⁴ Cllr White resigned December 2013

⁵ Cllr Sharp was co-opted in February 2014

Policy, Finance & Resources Committee			
Councillors	Meetings attended (Total 9)	% attendance	
Cllr Aldis	9	100%	
Cllr Butterfield ⁶	8	100%	
Cllr Osborne	9	100%	
Cllr Pettitt	7	75%	
Cllr Scott	9	100%	
Cllr Mrs Runchman	8	88%	
Cllr Sharman	7	75%	
Cllr Smith	6	66%	
Cllr Walsh	2	22%	
Cllr White ⁷	6	100%	
Cllr Sharp ⁸	1	100%	

Community Services & Environment Committee		
Councillors	Meetings attended (Total 7)	% attendance
Cllr Aldis	7	100%
Cllr Ali	3	43%
Cllr Butterfield ⁹	6	100%
Cllr Jackson	7	100%
Cllr Lynch ¹⁰	1	16%
Cllr Maycock ¹¹	1	16%
Cllr Mrs Runchman	6	85%
Cllr Smith	3	43%
Cllr Sutton	5	71%
Cllr Walsh	3	43%

⁶Cllr Butterfield was elected on 3 May 2013
⁷ Cllr White resigned December 2013
⁸ Cllr Sharp was co-opted in February 2014
⁹ Cllr Butterfield was elected on 3 May 2013
¹⁰ Cllr Lynch resigned in March 2014
¹¹ Cllr Maycock resigned in March 2014

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Play Areas

Bedford Road Recreation Ground, Bedford Road, Sandy SG19 1EY

Beeston Green, The Green, Beeston, Sandy SG19 1PY

Sunderland Road Recreation Ground, Sunderland Road, Sandy SG19 1TH

The Limes, Elder Close, Beeston, Sandy SG19 1GF

Merlin Drive, Fallowfield, Sandy SG19 2UN

Jenkins Pavilion

Sunderland Road Recreation Ground, Off Medusa Way, Sandy SG19 1TH

Public Conveniences

Bedford Road Recreation Ground, Bedford Road, Sandy SG19 1EY

Town Centre Car Park, High Street, Sandy SG19 1AG