

The Making of Milton Keynes

DIVERSITY AND ACHIEVEMENT

City Discovery Centre

A largely self-funded registered educational charity established in 1987

The Milton Keynes City Discovery Centre's main role is to provide educational services to promote a greater appreciation and understanding of the historical, natural and built environments of the new city of Milton Keynes, as well as the urban planning behind the city model.

We are home to the most extensive archive of the planning and development of Milton Keynes; including documents, photographs, maps, architectural models and much more.

We provide workshops and study tours for students from Key Stage 1 to A level and beyond, welcoming groups of undergraduates and post-graduates from the UK and abroad.

We provide study tours for overseas planning professionals and government officials from China, South Korea and Iraq, to name but a few.

We are located at Bradwell Abbey, the site of a medieval Benedictine Priory, a Scheduled Ancient Monument of national importance. The site includes the precinct of the priory and a rare standing building, the pilgrimage chapel of St. Mary, containing unique medieval paintings.

We provide venues for meetings, weddings, parties, conferences and events for both community and commercial organisations – using the refurbished 14th Century Cruck Barn, the extensive grounds, other listed buildings and the David Lock Resource Centre. Income generated directly supports the charity.



The City Discovery Centre plays host to one of the largest local annual music festivals 'Togfest'



The David Lock Resource Centre



Planning professionals from Iraq on a study tour



Australian town planners on a CDC visit to Milton Keynes