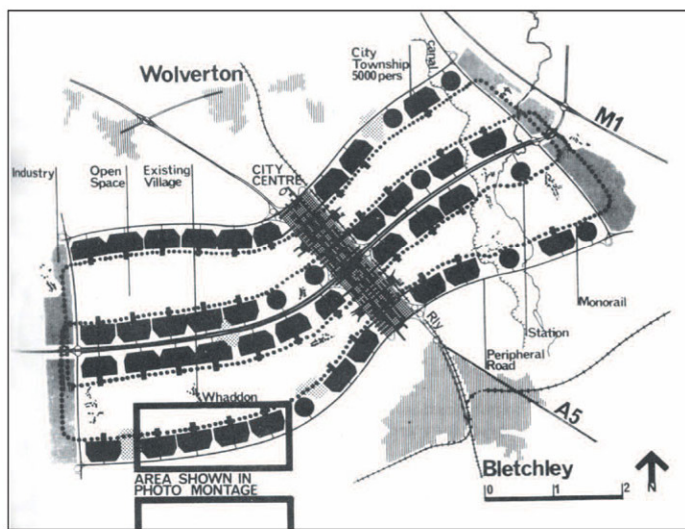


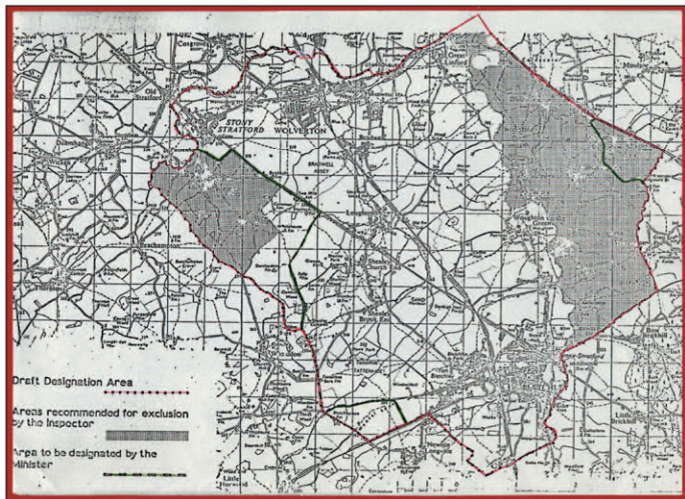
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MK City Discovery Centre

The Draft North Buckinghamshire New Town
(designation) order map, 1966



Pooley's Plans for Milton Keynes



In 1966, The Ministry of Housing presented this map depicting what was to become, with some modifications, the new town of Milton Keynes. Up to this point, 'clouds of uncertainty hung over its location, form, its timing and its financing'. (Bendixon & Platt 'Milton Keynes: Image and Reality')



Pooleyville

During the 1960s plans had been developed by Fred Pooley and his team at Buckinghamshire County Council. One of his concepts was a butterfly-shaped town of high-rise clusters and terraced houses, in townships connected by a free monorail system. The suggested area would have extended further to the west and didn't include Bletchley, Stony Stratford or Wolverton. Pooley's ideas were rejected in favour of a road-based grid.

The designation of Milton Keynes

After a public enquiry, a report and recommendations from the inspector, alterations were made to the draft to exclude areas to the west and east. The final area designated by Anthony Greenwood in January 1967, included Bletchley, Wolverton, Stony Stratford and thirteen villages. Interestingly, the areas that were left out have now been included, due to the expansion of the city, as the eastern and western development areas.

