



Woughton Community Council

Services & Communities Committee

**Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 17th June 2024 at 6:30pm
Woughton Community Council Hub, Council Chamber,
60, Garraways, Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5EG.**

Present: Cllrs Nick Scott (Chair), Ruth McMillan (Vice Chair), Eamonn Bobey, Janette Bobey, April Rennie, Charlie Marsh, Lorna Webb, D'Anne Mordecai, Penny Glasgow, Luke Louis, Liz Simpkins, Sue Smith and Donna Fuller.

Also present:

Steve McNay (Council Manager)

Tash Darling (Youth and Communities Manager)

SC 123/24 Apologies:

Cllr Maggie Ferguson

RESOLVED – apologies accepted.

SC 124/24 Declarations of Interest:

No declarations stated

RESOLVED - Noted

SC 125/24 Questions from the public (maximum 10 minutes):

None

SC 126/24 Chairs announcements:

- The Chair thanked everyone involved with the planning and delivery of the D-Day 80th Anniversary event. Feedback has been positive, especially about the food from Chippy Chums.
- The Chair informed the committee of the Peartree Bridge Summer Picnic event on 24th July, in the Dinosaur Field, between 1pm – 4pm. In partnership with the Parks Trust.

RESOLVED – noted.

SC 127/24 Minutes of previous meetings:

To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on:

- Monday 20th May 2024.

Cllr Scott proposed that these were an accurate record of the meeting. Seconded by Cllr Smith.

RESOLVED

SC 128/24 Moorfriends Application to support a trip to Wicksteed Park.

The committee expressed concerns about the presentation of the information, which the Council Manager explained was due to their absence during the week of the papers being produced. It was agreed that the full application will be provided to the committee in future (with any personal information redacted).

Other issues noted were:

- Sustainability – although a one off trip, this is an annual event.
- Affordability - £18.50 a ticket to get into Wicksteed Park was considered out of reach for many residents and £3000 total cost for a trip was also considered high.
- Access from outside the parish and the need to apply to neighbouring parishes for funding, plus the lack of applying anywhere else for funding.

There was a view expressed by many present that there were some queries that need to be resolved prior to a decision and such, the following was tabled:

Proposal:

That this application is deferred to the July meeting for further clarification

Proposed by Cllr Scott. Seconded by Cllr McMillan

RESOLVED by way of unanimous vote.

ACTION – Council Manager to contact application, request further information and for a representative to attend the committee meeting in July.

SC 129/24 CCTV update from Crimewave.

The Council Manager updated the committee on the monthly feedback from the two CCTV cameras. They also explained that they have requested clarification as to whether the cameras can be used for parking / traffic issues, as these are significant issues – awaiting a response with regard to the potential for this to happen. Council Manager also responded to a query regarding the cost of moving cameras – still awaiting any further clarification on whether these increased costs will stand.

SC 130/24 Events feedback and future events update

The Council Manager spoke to the paper, giving an overview of the activities of the Community Development and Events Officer. This included events (both past and future), resident association updates and some news relating to some community engagement activities. Some councillors asked for their specific estate arranged activities to be included so additional information was provided relating to Beanhill Fun Day, Netherfield's activities for the year and the potential Tinkers Bridge events.

It was also requested that officers attend RA meetings, specifically at Tinkers Bridge RA but would like to include all.

The Council Manager also suggested two options for the Santa Sleigh for Christmas, with the preference appearing to be the 11th – 14th December.

RESOLVED – Noted.

ACTIONS

- **Council Manager to send invite for submission to the agenda to ALL members to ensure all can be considered.**
- **Council Manager / Resident Association to provide dates for RA meetings to Youth and Community Manager and ensure that an officer attends when invited.**

SC 131/24 'Boys Need Bins' proposal for including bins within male toilets

This paper was spoken to by Cllr Smith, who raised the issue of bins in male toilets – this links to men experiencing issues where they may need to have access to a bin (e.g. incontinence pads)

and suggested that WCC install suitable bins within the men's toilets too. The Council Manager provided figures (approximately £230 per year per 'sanitary bin'), but needs to clarify how this type of waste may need to be disposed of – it may be that this doesn't need specialist disposal, but if classed as 'clinical waste', will require specialist service.

There was discussion around the level of need and the cost implications. The following was tabled:

Proposal:

That a bin is installed in the busiest community centre and an evaluation is undertaken with feedback provided to this committee'

Proposed by: Cllr E Bobey. Seconded by: Cllr Marsh.

RESOLVED by way of unanimous vote.

ACTION

- **That the Council Manager arranges for the installation of a bin in the CHMP men's toilets and provides feedback on use to this committee.**

SC 132/24 Initial proposal for a Padel Tennis provision on parish

The Council Manager spoke to this paper and attached documents. There is an initial proposal that a piece of land on Leadenhall is used to create a padel tennis club. Whilst this is in the early stages, the developer involved approached the council to start consideration and commence community engagement activities.

There were concerns noted around affordability, suitability for the parish (is this for local residents or for a wider audience), will this be for the community or a private concern, etc?

Proposal:

That the Council Manager invites the developer to attend a Planning Committee meeting to explore the potential development'.

Proposed by Cllr Smith. Seconded by Cllr Mordecai

RESOLVED by way of unanimous vote.

ACTION – Council Manager to invite developer to the Planning Committee in July.

Date of next meeting:

Monday 15th July 2024, 6:30pm, at the Woughton Community Council Hub, Council Chamber, The Local Centre, 60, Garraways, Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5EG.

The Chair closed the meeting at 19.21hrs.

Signed: