

## Services Committee

**Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018, 6:00pm at the Woughton Community Council Hub, The Local Centre, Garraways, Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes**

**Present: Cllrs Donna Coventry (Chair),** Sue Luttmann, John Orr, Sue Smith, Yvonne Tomlinson, Alan Williamson, Geoff Woolmore.

**Also present:** Julia Bandy (Community Services Manager), Brian Barton (Committee & Member Services Officer), Steve McNay (Council Manager).

### **SD 46/18 Apologies:**

Received from Cllrs Nick Scott (Vice-Chair) (work commitment), Tina El-Shabrawry (meeting with a resident), Philip Hopcraft (work commitment), Archibald Prempeh (work commitment), Tash Darling (Youth Manager & Safe Guarding Lead) (Youth Club).

**AGREED**

### **SD 47/18 Declarations of Interest:**

Cllr John Orr declared a personal interest in agenda item SD 51/18 as he is the Chair of the Tinkers Bridge Residents Association.

**NOTED**

### **SD 48/18 Questions from the public (maximum 10 minutes):**

There were no questions from the public.

**NOTED**

### **SD 49/18 Chairs announcements:**

The Chair updated the meeting on Cllr Kevin Wilson's health.

**NOTED**

### **SD 50/18 Minutes of previous meetings:**

The minutes of the Services Committee meeting held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018 were **AGREED** and signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.

## **Grant Aid**

### **SD 51/18 Tinkers Bridge Residents Association:**

Cllr John Orr declared a personal interest in this agenda item.

A Grant aid application was submitted for the funding of a coach to the Deco Theatre in Northampton to see the Pantomime, the coach hire will cost £343.00p.

**RESOLVED**

**To award the full grant aid applied for of £343.00p for a coach to the Deco Theatre in Northampton to see the Pantomime.**

**SD 52/18 Coffee Hall Residents Association:**

A Grant aid application was submitted for funding to purchase two (2) mascot costumes at £120.00p, seventy - five (75) chocolate boxes at £150.00p and a tinsel curtain at £20.00p at a total cost of £290.00p.

These items will be used for the Christmas event due to be held on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018.

**RESOLVED**

**To award the full grant aid applied for of £290.00p for two (2) mascot costumes, seventy - five (75) chocolate boxes and a tinsel curtain.**

**SD 53/18 The Milton Keynes Christmas Day Party for the Elderly:**

A Grant aid application was submitted for funding towards a Christmas party, presents and entertainment at a cost of £500.00p.

**RESOLVED**

- 1. To award £100.00p towards funding of a Christmas party, presents and entertainment.**
- 2. To inform the Milton Keynes Christmas Day Party for the Elderly that the £100.00p grant aid is to fund ten (10) Woughton residents to attend the event.**

**Reports**

**SD 54/18 To review the following policies:**

- a) Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy
- b) Safety Policy

**RESOLVED**

- 1. That the Committee notes the DSL/ CPO's recommendations as set out in the report and indeed the policies.**
- 2. That the Committee is presented with the updated policies, as stated above.**
- 3. That the committee accepts and ratifies both two (2) policies.**

**SD 55/18 To consider appointing a replacement Family and Community Officer:**

Due to the Family and Community Officer recently leaving her post, there is a need for additional officer support, to be able to continue to deliver the services and initiatives.

**RESOLVED**

- 1. That the Committee notes the report.**
- 2. That the Committee agrees to the Operations Manager advertising the new post, for immediate action.**
- 3. That the Committee agrees a permanent position.**

**SD 56/18 To consider items for the 2019/2020 Service Plan:**

The Proposals that have been discussed so far are:

- Woughton 'On the Road' – invest in a vehicle, for what, rent to others, usable space, creative use, purpose built (or refurbishment).
- Community Led Housing – on non regeneration estates. Is there space? Can Woughton Community Council have it? Use of local people to build (training and apprenticeships) and purpose (sale, rent, co-operative, etc.)
- Engagement and power devolution to the people.
- Library provision – To build upon the tool library, include other items that are used infrequently.
- Living skills for local people – cooking, budgeting, repairs, DIY, etc. Volunteer engagement to provide this.
- Emphasis on promoting Woughton Community Council – Living Wage, Mindful Employer, community engagement, responsible spending, link to Service Plan and Scorecard.
- Woughton 2030 – get engagement, develop a long-term strategy, representatives of the community groups (young people, etc.) and similar.
- Open Space and Play Parks – long term plan to create great spaces.
- Woughton Business Forum – focus on Industrial Estates but include all that are interested.
- A transport strategy, to include parking, etc.
- Waste and recycling – access to tips, passes for community groups, etc.
- To develop Community Days on each estate.
- To hold a Woughton in Bloom event.
- To hold a Fireworks Night event subject to health and safety and insurance requirements not being too onerous.
- To develop a "Good Neighbour Project".
- Clothes Exchange i.e. for School Uniforms and baby items etc.
- To establish a Youth Council.
- To also establish a Pensioner Panel.

Members are encouraged to send any additional ideas to the Council Manager by the end of October 2018.

**RESOLVED**

- 1. That the Committee notes the report**
- 2. That the Committee to ratify the 2019/2020 Service Plan at the meeting to be held on Monday 19th November 2018.**

**Date of next meeting:**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 6:00pm at the Woughton Community Council Hub, The Local Centre, Garraways, Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes.

**THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 6:50PM**

Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_