

Woughton Community Council

Services & Communities Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 27th July 2020, 6:00pm via Zoom and Facebook Live.

Present: Cllrs Nick Scott (Chair), John Orr (Vice-Chair), Janette Bobey, Brian Hepburn, Luke Louis, Ruth McMillan (from 6:09pm), Terri Parish, Sue Smith, Alan Williamson, Pam Wilson.

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

In attendance: Cllr Donna Fuller.

SC 85/20 Apologies:

Cllr Shammi Akter was not in attendance or submitted her apologies.

Cllr Lauren Townsend was not in attendance or submitted her apologies.

NOTED

SC 86/20 Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Ruth McMillan declared a personal interest in agenda item SC 90/20 as she is a volunteer with the Milton Keynes Storehouse.

NOTED

SC 87/20 Questions from the public (maximum 10 minutes):

There were no questions from the public.

NOTED

SC 88/20 Chairs announcements:

There were no Chairs announcements.

NOTED

SC 89/20 Minutes of previous meetings:

The minutes of the Services Committee meeting held on Monday 29th June 2020 were **AGREED** as a true and correct record and will be signed by the Chair.

SC 90/20 To agree the funding for the Grand Union Vineyard application:

Cllr Ruth MacMillan declared a personal interest in this agenda item.

The Grand Union Vineyard Church is based on Netherfield and provides a range of support to local people, some youth sessions, community fridge, wellbeing sessions

and similar. In addition, they currently provide the Storehouse service, offering clothes and other items to people in need. This is currently based in Stacey Bushes and they are looking to open another base on Netherfield. The funding for creation of suitable space, etc. is already in place.

Their funding request is to support the employment of a project worker to facilitate the development of all aspects of their work locally, the total cost of this employee is £32,439, with around £9,600 already raised, leaving just under £23,000 to find.

After some discussion Cllr Brian Hepburn moved and Cllr Sue Smith seconded to award £2,000.

Cllr Janette Bobey moved and Cllr Terri Parish seconded to award £3,000.

On being put to the vote it was agreed to award £3,000 for a one year pilot (once the service starts) and asking to report back on the amount of Woughton Community Council area residents who have made use of the service.

RESOLVED

- 1. That the committee notes the report and attached documentation.**
- 2. To award the Grand Union Vineyard £3,000.**
- 3. That funding is awarded for a one year pilot once the project has launched.**
- 4. That the condition of funding is subject to the provision of the number of Woughton Community Council area residents who have made use of the service.**

Communities and Environment Fund Application(s)

There were no funding applications for consideration at this meeting.

NOTED

Reports

SC 91/20 Community Services Update Report:

The report covered the following items that the Community Services Team have delivered:

- The Community Fridge
- Food Parcels
- The Wellbeing and Advice Service

The Chair asked the Council Manager to pass on the committee's thanks to the Community Services Team for all their hard work.

RESOLVED

That the committee notes the report.

SC 92/20 Dog Waste Bags Service Update Report:

The Council Manager updated the meeting on the dog waste bags service as Woughton Community Council are running out and as a result have undertaken a

process of reviewing providers and reordering 150,000 bags (about 18 months supply).

Three (3) quotes were obtained and the best option remained the previous provider, Harrisons.

RESOLVED

That the committee notes the report.

SC 93/20 To consider Face Masks Provision for Residents:

The Council Manager informed the meeting that a Ward Councillor has proposed using ward monies for the provision of face masks to local residents.

Members felt that face masks should be provided to local residents, with the Woughton Community Council logo imprinted on, which can be distributed to residents via the Community Fridge and community engagement events asking for a donation or provided for free if a resident cannot afford to.

RESOLVED

1. **That the committee notes the report.**
2. **To provide face masks to local residents who may need one.**
3. **That the provision of face masks is offered via the Community Fridge and community engagement events, alongside targeted provision to those known.**
4. **To imprint the Woughton Community Council logo onto each face mask.**
5. **That a donation is sought for any local resident requiring a face mask or provided for free if a resident cannot afford to.**

SC 94/20 Summer Programme Update Report:

The Council Manager updated the meeting on the summer programme of community engagement which were as follows:

- The Community Fridge
- Community Engagement events
- Play Rangers summer events

RESOLVED

1. **That the committee notes the report.**
2. **That councillors, where possible, support the engagement events with residents.**
3. **That a further report is provided to this committee in September, detailing the achievement(s) of each event.**

SC 95/20 The following motion was moved and seconded:

Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960:

That by virtue of the provisions of Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded during discussion of the following business on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

AGREED

SC 96/20 Youth Service Provision Outside of the Woughton Community Council area:

The Council Manager informed the committee on the youth provision outside of the Woughton Community Council area.

RESOLVED

- 1. That the committee notes the report.**
- 2. That the Council Manager writes formally to update external parties.**

Date of next meeting:

Monday 28th September 2020, venue to be confirmed.

THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 7:45 PM

Chair _____ Date _____

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