

## Woughton Community Council

### Services & Communities Committee

**Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 6:00pm,  
Woughton Community Council Hub, Council Chamber, 60, Garraways, Coffee  
Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5EG.**

**Present: Cllrs Nick Scott (Chair), Maggie Ferguson (Vice-Chair),** Brian Hepburn, Phil Hopcraft, Ruth McMillan, John Orr, Sue Smith, Alan Williamson, Pam Wilson.

**In attendance:** Brian Barton (Committee & Member Services Officer), Steve McNay (Council Manager), Sean Perry (Community Services Manager).

#### **SC 21/21 Apologies:**

Cllr Jeanette Bobey (unwell).  
Cllr Donna Fuller (another meeting).

**AGREED**

Cllr Terri Parish was not in attendance or tendered her apologies to the meeting.

**NOTED**

#### **SC 22/21 Declarations of Interest:**

There were no declarations of interest.

**NOTED**

#### **SC 23/21 Questions from the public (maximum 10 minutes):**

There were no questions from the public.

**NOTED**

#### **SC 24/21 Chairs announcements:**

The Chair said following on from the last Full Council meeting, that there is youth service provision on Beanhill run by Woughton Community Council, and this has been the case ever since Milton Keynes Council had withdrawn their youth service provision.

Cllr Maggie Ferguson said that the Church is no longer providing a youth service at present due to a lack of staff.

**NOTED**

#### **SC 25/21 Minutes of previous meetings:**

The minutes of the Services & Communities Committee meeting held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2021 were **AGREED** as a true and correct record and will be signed by the Vice-Chair.

## **Communities and Environment Fund Application(s)**

There were no applications for consideration at this meeting.

**NOTED**

### **Reports**

#### **SC 26/21 Litter Bin Provision:**

The committee was requested to consider whether Woughton Community Council should expand the provision of litter bins.

Milton Keynes Council have offered six (6) dual purpose litter bins to be installed in throughout the Woughton Community Council area, with as suggested by the Environmental Officers.

It was proposed to consider locations at a future meeting of the committee, the Council Manager will come back with further proposals.

#### **RESOLVED**

- 1. To consider locations for the six (6) dual purpose bins as supplied by Milton Keynes Council at a future meeting of this committee.**
- 2. That the Council Manager to come back to a future meeting of this committee with further proposals.**

#### **SC 27/21 Early Years, Children and Education Provision in Woughton:**

The committee was updated on the Early Years, Children and Education Provision in the Woughton Community Council policy paper.

#### **RESOLVED**

- 1. That the committee notes the report and the attached document.**
- 2. That the committee notes that:**
  - a. The statement that Woughton Community Council will not provide early years provision has been altered to say that it is unlikely but is an option if no other is suitable.**
  - b. That there is an additional paragraph relating to childminders, as requested.**

#### **SC 28/21 To discuss items for the 2022/2023 Service Plan:**

The following suggestions were made as potential items for the 2022/2023 Service Plan:

- First Aid courses to be run on each estate for young people.
- Blue Light Discos run by the Police, Fire & Rescue Service and the Ambulance Service.
- To revive the Youth Council.
- More Cultural events.

#### **RESOLVED**

- 1. That Members are requested to send any ideas for consideration to the Council Manager.**
- 2. To discuss further the content of the 2022/2023 Service Plan at the next committee meeting.**

**SC 29/21 To propose a special 'Chairs Awards' ceremony or similar, covering 'Covid-19 Heroes' as well as the regular awards, to take place in 2022:**

It was proposed at the committee meeting to hold a special 'Chairs Awards' ceremony or similar, covering 'Covid-19 Heroes' as well as the regular awards, to take place in 2022.

It was suggested a "Health Professional" and "Agencies" award for their care in the community during the pandemic.

It was further suggested a category for "personal achievement" during the pandemic.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. That the committee notes the report.**
- 2. That the committee agrees to the proposal of a special Chairs Awards ceremony.**
- 3. That the committee considers what awards should be offered, what nomination process should take place and who judges the winners at the next committee meeting.**
- 4. To include a "Health Professional" and "Agencies" award for their care in the community during the pandemic.**
- 5. To also include a category for "personal achievement" during the pandemic.**
- 6. That Members are requested to contact Cllr Sue Smith or the Council Manager with their suggested categories.**

**SC 30/21 To update the committee on actions, events and outcomes over the summer period:**

The committee was updated on actions, events and outcomes over the summer period which covered the following:

- Summer of Play / Play Rangers
- Community Café / Community Fridge
- Community Larder
- Landscaping
- Environment
- Community Development

Cllr John Orr thanked Woughton Community Council for assisting the recent Tinkers Bridge community event.

Cllr Nick Scott said the same about a recent community event on Coffee Hall.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. That the committee notes this report.**
- 2. That the committee recommends that officers review the information and plan services for 2022/2023 accordingly, as part of the Service Planning process.**

**SC 31/21 To update the committee on forthcoming events:**

The committee was updated on the forthcoming events.

Members were requested to speak with their Residents Association about the carnival to encourage them to be involved on their estate.

This will also be discussed at the next Residents Association Forum meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the committee notes the report.
2. That the committee agrees to:
  - a. The proposal for a Carnival to commemorate the jubilee in 2022, with a theme of Queen Elizabeth II through the decades.
  - b. That the Carnival will be held instead of the festival.
  - c. That Cllr Sue Smith and the Council Manager to meet and discuss ideas to move the Carnival forward and present to a future meeting for agreement.
  - d. To agree a budget including grants to cover the costs in holding a carnival.

**Date of next meeting:**

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021, 6:00pm, at the Coffee Hall Community Centre, 60, Garraways, Coffee Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 5EG.

**THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 7:05 PM**

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