



Meeting (No) **Community & Environment Committee (5)**
Time & Date **6pm 9 February 2021**
Place **Remote meeting via Zoom**
Document **Minutes**

Present: Cllrs Davies (Chair), Griffiths, Hutt, Kynaston, Marple (from item 46), Samuel, Warner and Wastell

In attendance: Miss A Duncan (Governance & Operations Manager) and Cllr Bolderson

PART 1: Items considered in the presence of the press and public

41 Questions and comments from residents

There were no questions or comments from residents.

42 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence. The absence of Cllr Flockhart was noted.

43 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Warner declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 56 (Cllr Warner is the chair of CWaC's planning committee).

44 Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Community & Environment Committee meetings held on 01.12.20, 15.12.20 and 12.01.21. The minutes to be signed at the next face-to-face meeting.

45 Governance & Operations Manager's report

The Committee received the report and noted in particular that Mozzie Watch would continue on the Neston Life app in 2021.

Cllr Marple joined the meeting.

46 Committee budget

Committee budgets and earmarked reserves were considered.

47 Risk Management

RESOLVED to approve the Community & Environment Committee's risks report, overall summary and action plans.

48 Community event donations

- a **RESOLVED** to approve the breakdown of costs for the Christmas in Neston event.
- b Given the uncertainty caused by COVID-19, it was **RESOLVED** that community event donations during the financial year 21/22 would be considered as and when community organisations took decisions about whether to hold events.

49 Grant award – request for extension of project end date

RESOLVED to extend the end date of Neston Nomad's 3G/Clubhouse project to June 2021 (refurbishment of clubhouse delayed due to COVID-19).

50 End of grant accounts

RESOLVED to approve end of grant accounts from Train to Change for the "Neston's Lift Up 2 Work IV" project.

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51 Grant applications – Small Grants Programme

The Committee considered a grant application from Amber Button for £439.80 to fund the purchase of 20 preloaded sim cards. In order to assess the project's value for money, it was decided that Amber Button needed to explain whether this was the best deal available and exactly what would be delivered online once the current restrictions were lifted. It was agreed that the application would be considered again at the next meeting along with the additional information.

52 CWaC Wildflower and Grasslands Strategy

- a It was noted that a consultation had taken place on CWaC's Wildflower and Grasslands Strategy.
- b It was agreed to write to CWaC expressing a wish to support this strategy within Neston.

53 England Coast Path from Birkenhead to Welsh Border – consultation

RESOLVED not to make any representations in response to the consultation.

54 CWaC waste collection consultation

RESOLVED not to submit a response to the consultation.

55 Council Manager's report

The Council Manager's report was considered. The Committee did not agree to take any further action.

Cllr Warner temporarily left the meeting.

56 Planning applications

- a The House Extensions and Domestic Outbuildings Supplementary Planning document was noted as a material consideration for decision making.
- b The Committee noted correspondence from a resident relating to planning application 20/04255/OUT.

Cllr Warner returned to the meeting.

Cllr Hutt left the meeting.

57 The Cross – kerb extension

The Committee considered a suggestion that the alfresco area at The Cross be made a permanent feature by way of kerb line extension. It was agreed to write to CWaC stating that the committee was not entirely convinced about this suggestion and would recommend monitoring the situation for a period of time before making an irrevocable decision.

58 Transport Sub-committee

Minutes of the 26.01.20 sub-committee meeting were received.

59 Marsh Working Group

Notes of the 01.02.20 Marsh Working Group meeting were received.

60 Date of next meeting

The date of the next scheduled meeting was noted as 13 April 2021.

The meeting closed at 7.20pm.

Signed Brenda M. Morple Date 1/6/21