

HAYDON WICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Community Development Committee meeting of Haydon Wick Parish Council held on Tuesday 4th April 2023 at 7.30pm held at Parish Council Offices, Thames Avenue, Swindon, SN25 1QQ.

ATTENDANCE:

MEMBERS: Councillors R Ross (Chair), B Patrick-Okoh (Vice Chair), E Baker Lee, R Hailstone, V Manro and S McDermott

OFFICERS: Deputy Clerk & Services Manager, Laura Cutter
Community Development Officer, Caroline Hunt

CD 168 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors K T Naik, R Venkatesh (Work Commitments) and J Jackson (Personal Commitments).

CD 169 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor R Hailstone is a member of the Swindon & Cricklade Railway Society.

CD 170 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were three (3) members of the public present to observe the meeting. None made representation.

CD 171 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Members reviewed the minutes of the Community Development Committee meeting held on Tuesday 7th March 2023 and the Chair of the Committee signed the minutes as a true record. Members noted that the CD Minute References from November 22 – February 23 were in correct and these have been amended.

Proposed: Councillor V Manro

Seconded: Councillor B Patrick-Okoh

Vote: Agreed with two (2) abstentions.

RESOLVED: Members confirmed as a true record the minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 4th March 2023 and the Chairman signed the minutes as a true record.

CD 172 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

CD 173 MEMORY CAFÉ

Members received an update on the Memory Café and were pleased with its successful move to the Bowls Club and being able to facilitate double the number of attendees.

CD 174 YOUTH & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Members received an update on communications and upcoming youth events, including the Easter Egg Hunts and the Coronation Suncatcher event. Members have recently received requests for more events at Haydonleigh Skate Park.

CD 176 SUMMER EVENT

Members received an update from the Events Working Party regarding the Summer Spectacular Event which is taking place on Saturday 15th July 2023 at King George V Playing Field between 10.00am – 5.00pm. There are other events on the same day, but a distance away from the parish so it was thought there wouldn't be any impact on attendance numbers. After discussion, Members agreed to the recommendations from the Events Working Party.

Proposed: Councillor R Hailstone Seconded: Councillor E Baker Lee

Vote: Agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED:

1. To hire a stage area and PA system for a cost of £688.80 to be met from 4402/402.
2. To hire porta loos, security and medics at a cost of £1,222.00 to be met from 4402/402.
3. To purchase a hog roast (with carver) for £700.00 to be met from 4402/402. To note the Council will then charge £5.00 per roll.
4. To hire a local entertainment for the event at a cost of £200.00 to be met from 4402/402.
5. To use surplus funds (£925.00) assigned to the King Charles III Coronation event budget and surplus funds from the Easter event (£175.00) to enhance the budget of the Summer Event to £2,600.00.
6. To note that some funds from the Community Choices Budget could be used to offset some Event activities.
7. To note that some income will be received from stall holders and the hog roast which can then go back into the event budget for this year and potentially next year's event.

CD 177

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor V Manro – Thames Water remedial works have begun. Thames Water has dug a hole for Chamber 1 in Tawny Owl Car Park, and the plan is to tunnel underneath Queen Elizabeth Drive, Thamesdown Drive and on to West Swindon. Homes that flooded in Oakhurst have received a non-return valve. Flood alarm has also been fitted.

Councillor E Baker Lee - Suggested working with Kelly's Foundation to signpost young people to local services for mental health and wellbeing. Posters displaying the details could be available at Multi Use Games Areas, the Skate Park, and Play Areas.

Councillor R Hailstone – Would like to congratulate staff on organising the Annual Parish Meeting last Tuesday. The meeting went well and included the groups of members of the community. All those who attended were impressed. The best meeting of this kind in the last forty years.

Councillor S McDermott – Nothing to report.

Councillor B Patrick-Okoh – Nothing to report.

Councillor R Ross – Nothing to report.

CD 178

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Members received an update from the Community Development Officer detailing the recent success of the Haydon Wick Haven and gave an aspiration to continue these sessions until the end of July 2023.

Proposed: Councillor V Manro

Seconded: Councillor B Patrick-Okoh

Vote: Agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED:

1. To continue with the Haydon Wick Haven drop in style café on a bi-weekly basis until the end of July at a cost of £5.00 per café (£10.00 per month) to be met from 4629/402.
2. To offer the community bus to bring residents to the Haydon Wick Haven.

CD 179

COMMUNITY CHOICES 2023

Members received the consultation results from the recent community choices. Voting closed at 4pm yesterday. There were 70 responses in total. The top two choices were Reducing Isolation & Loneliness and Youth. Members noted the additional comments of a positive nature. A program will be designed and reported back to Community Development Committee in June 2023.

CD 180

SWINDON AND CRICKLADE RAILWAY SOCIETY

Members received a report about promoting events for Swindon & Cricklade Railway. Members felt that this is a unique service within the Parish and would be happy to collaborate or advertise items.

CD 181

GRANT FUNDING

Members noted the report detailing the grants applied for and awarded since June 2022. The Community Development Officer reminded the Committee that the prime focuses, as agreed at the last meeting, for grant funding in 2023/2024 are for the Outdoor Gym, Tree Planting and continuation of the Memory Café.

CD 182

OPERATIONAL BUDGET MONITORING

Members received and noted the Income and Expenditure for Month 11 (February 2023). Members queried if there is likely to be remaining budget to go back into the General Reserves? *The figures provided are up to the 28th February 2023. The Finance Officer is currently working through Year End but will be able to provide an update outside of the meeting.*

CD 183

HAYDON WICK LIVING MAGAZINE

Members noted Councillor S McDermott's offer to continue to assist the Office with the production of Haydon Wick "Living" Magazine post-May elections until the end of July 2023 to see the delivery of the summer edition. Members noted that the deadlines for articles for magazines could be tight due to new Councillors and therefore a smaller copy (48 pages) could be an option. Members discussed changing the paper quality for the magazine and noted the prices are an index only and would be subject to change during the time of order. 100g paper is not noticeable to the current paper, the FSC Mixed Credit. Queen Elizabeth Drive distribution of the Spring magazine has been delivered twice. Some requested to receive the magazine electronically only, but this could cause operational issues with the delivery company, excluding those from the delivery schedule, but can also receive the Monthly News Bulletin. Members thanked Councillor S McDermott for all the work she has put into the production of the magazine.

Proposed: Councillor V Manro Seconded: Councillor E Baker Lee

Vote: Agreed with (1) abstention.

RESOLVED:

1. To allow Councillor Sarah McDermott to have access to the email and laptop associated with the role of Editor until July 31st 2023.

2. To proceed with the use of 115gsm - FSC Mixed Credit paper for future editions of Haydon Wick “Living” Magazine. The cost of this will be brought to a future Committee meeting.

CD 184

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

To be given to the Chief Officer in advance of the next meeting on the 6th June 2023. Note that any urgent Community Development matters can be presented to Full Council on 23rd May 2023.

The member of public left the meeting 20:16

The meeting closed at 20:16

Chairman: _____