

HAYDON WICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Informal Community Development Committee Discussion of Haydon Wick Parish Council held on Tuesday 1st June 2021 at 7.30pm remotely via Teams.

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS: Councillors E Baker Lee (Chair), R Ross (Vice Chair), R Hailstone, S McDermott, V Manro

OFFICERS: Clerk, Georgina Morgan-Denn
Deputy Clerk, Laura Cutter
Youth Worker, Chloe Brown

CD 001 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor D Rodgers (personal commitments). There were no apologies received from Councillor K T. Naik.

CD 002 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

CD 003 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were two members of the public present. One member of the public was interested in Agenda Item 11 – Community Renewal Fund and how the total application figure was arrived at, the Clerk confirmed queries would be addressed during the discussion later in the meeting. The other member of public present was due to make representation under Agenda Item 8 – BEST: Be A Better You.

CD 004 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman welcomed the first Community Development Committee meeting and thanked the members of public for their attendance.

CD 005 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor V Manro Has received lots of good feedback with regards to the refurbishment of King George V Play Area and interest in future projects coming from Youth Development. Requested that the Officers keep this in mind and to do a call out to the community when planning upcoming projects.

Councillor S McDermott Attended the Haydon Wick Bowls Club youth event over the weekend, the event seemed well received by younger residents and their families.

Councillor E Baker Lee Advised of two community litter picking events to coincide with Keep Britain Tidy – Great British Spring Clean. The events will be facilitated by the Head of POST and will be held on the:

- 9th June 2021 at 6.30pm at Pond Street/ Seven Fields (meet at Stour Walk/Kennet Avenue Car Park)
- 13th June 2021 at 9.00am Mouldon Hill (meet in the car park)

CD 007 CLERK'S REPORT

Hootsuite Online - Hootsuite is a platform for social media management. The cost for 10 social media platforms for unlimited scheduling is £39.00 per month and has been accounted for in the 2021/2022 budget setting. Social media

performance statistics and Hootsuite user development will be reported at the August Community Development Committee meeting.

Star Councils - NALC's Star Council Awards are the only awards in England that recognise the local (parish and town) council sector's positive contribution to its communities, rewarding local councils, councillors, young councillors, county associations and clerks. This year the awards will focus on projects that have gone above and beyond regular duties during the COVID-19 pandemic. Whilst the Parish Council provided a great deal of support to the local community in many ways, it was decided that the Council would not meet all elements of the awarding criteria and would therefore apply next year for this award scheme. Some projects delivered by the Council have been celebrated in industry publications, such as the COVID Memorial Cherry Tree Planting project.

Seven Fields Colouring Competition - The Council has teamed up with local community artist, Marilyn Trew, to create a bespoke map of Seven Fields Nature Reserve. The concept of the map is to spread awareness of why the Local Nature Reserve is so important, to promote the partnership between Seven Fields Nature Reserve and the Parish Council, and to help residents navigate their way through the fields and educate the community on the types of wildlife and wildflowers that are there. A copy of the map has been shared on social media asking residents of all ages to enter the colouring competition, with a winning prize of a family picnic hamper being donated by Morrisons.

TikTok Update - Following feedback from the Council's external legal advisers, it has been decided not to progress with any TikTok related community engagement projects and instead to progress with other platforms that will target specific age ranges within the community.

NHS National Thank You Day - It has been suggested that a national NHS "Thank You Day", in commemoration of the efforts of key workers during the pandemic will take place on 4 July. This national thank-you day is still being debated, however, should it go ahead, some thought needs to be given as to if/how this will be marked by HWPC. Any creative suggestions from Councillors would be welcome. Councillors to highlight any other National awareness days to be recognised on HWPC social media in June/July/August.

Committee Membership - This Committee has two available non-Councillor (non-voting rights) seats to be allocated. Councillors asked to consider and make suggestions of members of the community that may fulfil this role.

Haydon Wick on the Air: 105.5 Community Radio - This interview/broadcast takes places on the second Monday of every month. Interviews can be pre-recorded, socially distanced/remotely. Please email events@haydonwick.gov.uk know if you can be involved for July.

Funding Update – The Council has been successful in grant funding from Community Outbreak Management Fund, (SBC), to the value of £4,500.00 to achieve an extension on the Dementia Café Co-Ordinator role and to incorporate additional covid safety measures and messaging.

CD 008

HAYDON WICK COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME

The Committee received an update from the Community Grants Sub Committee on two applications that it received during this round of grant applications. More information is needed from the first applicant as it was felt that there were other avenues to receive funding that they could explore as the

service is Swindon wide and not specific to Haydon Wick, the Sub Committee will request further information and may bring to the attention of Full Council later in the month, if not time specific the Sub Committee will perhaps defer until the next grants meeting in September. The second applicant was present at the meeting and wished to introduce themselves, it was therefore agreed to defer its decision until after the applicant had made representation.

CD 009

BEST: BE A BETTER YOU

The Operations Manager for BEST attended the meeting to introduce the registered charity that was set up in April 2020. The charity was set up just as the Covid-19 pandemic hit, but the charity has still been successful in specialising in youth services for children and young adults (aged 11 to 25) that may be at risk of exploitation. A programme is conducted by coaches specialising in mix of non-contact boxing, martial arts and a bespoke mentoring service which has proved to be a benefit to young people's mental health and wellbeing. Referrals have been received via local schools, social services, and the early intervention team at Wiltshire Police. A programme has been designed specifically for Haydon Wick via a community grant, catering for 25 young people to attend a session with BEST throughout the summer holidays. The programme consists of five sessions in total and is designed to help with social skills, resilience, mental health and wellbeing and to learn new skills. During the pandemic several school aged children have become socially isolated and have suffered with anxiety with returning to school and socialising again, the fear is that this may worsen during the summer holidays without having school routines to adhere to.

20:01 The two members of public were asked to leave the meeting whilst the Committee received recommendations from the Community Grants Sub Committee.

The Community Grants Sub Committee confirmed it would like to support BEST's application as the program will benefit up to 125 young people within the parish of Haydon Wick and the targeted age range is also of interest as most of the Council's current youth events cater for younger primary school aged children. The Community Grants Sub Committee therefore recommended that the full grant of £2,450.00 to deliver this project is approved.

Proposed: Councillor V Manro

Seconded: Councillor R Ross

Vote: Agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED: To approve the grant application submitted by BEST and award the full amount of £2,450.00.

20:11 One member of the public re-joined the meeting.

CD 010

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The Committee received a verbal update from the Youth Worker on previous events and items that the Youth Development Team is working towards. The update included the success of the pop in & paint sessions, the sunflower planting, and the football sessions delivered by Allstarz at Trent Road Field. Positive feedback from the events and some new ideas have been shared by the participants for consideration. Future events include a meet and greet at King George V Play Area to hand out sunflowers and a Father's Day craft workshop.

CD 011

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

The Committee noted the Officers report on upcoming youth events and researching ideas. After discussion, the Committee agreed to recommendations 2 – 5 within the report. The Committee agreed to drop recommendation 1 which was for funding a one off event run by BEST, due to the grant application for a bigger project and collaboration superseding this, the money could be spent trialing other activities.

The Committee suggested that recommendation 5 could be included in a large scale event rather than as a one off, but for the Officers to continue investigating the proposal with provisions for insurance, suitable locations, and costs to bring a formal proposal back to a future committee meeting for consideration.

Councillor V Manro declared an interest as he is the Chair of the Licensing Committee at Swindon Borough Council.

Proposed: Councillor V Manro Seconded: Councillor S McDermott

Vote: Agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED: To agree the recommendations 2 – 5 within the report.

- 2. To agree to continue to host children's craft session free of charge as part of the youth development and community engagement agenda; or to agree to charge a small fee to cover associated workshop material costs.**
- 3. To note the Youth Events program for June to August.**
- 4. To approve the cost and delivery of a youth football skills activity workshops in June/July up to the value of £100.00, cost to be covered by the unused community budgets (total £500.00, unused due to COVID) [4402/402 and 4413/402] Community budgets being carried forward from 2020/2021.**
- 5. To consider if the location/land will be provided free of charge for the pop up/inflatable fun fair proposal to allow the Officers to investigate further.**

CD 012

SWINDON PARISH COUNCILS PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Committee noted the Officers report retrospectively following confirmation from the Chairman of the Council to proceed due to the imminent deadline. Haydon Wick Parish Council, Central Swindon North Parish Council and South Swindon Parish Council (being the only Swindon based Parish Council's offering a Youth Service/ Youth Worker) have collaboratively submitted a bid to be included in a wider Swindon youth service provider consortium bid (15 partner organisations in total).

Working in partnership with other parish councils enables Haydon Wick to apply for the funding, to benefit from shared resources and to share learning through project development. All of which benefits the local community the Council serves.

The Parish Council worked collaboratively with South Swindon and Central Swindon North to make an application that complemented the larger scheme of the consortium (timescales of project delivery, within specific related boundaries of project objectives), and that would complement the existing work of youth services within the Parish's themselves.

The consortium as a whole made an application for £726,329.04 to provide a diverse, extensive program to facilitate young adults across Swindon, specifically targeting young adults who are not in education or employment. Of this bid, the 3 collaborating Parish Councils project(s) total to the value of £42,807.00

Proposed: Councillor E Baker Lee Seconded: Councillor R Ross
Vote: Agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED: To continue to progress the partnership funding application for the UK Community Renewal Fund, in collaboration with Central Swindon North Parish Council, Swindon South Parish Council and the other youth service provision organisations across Swindon.

CD 013 FUNDING

The Committee noted the Officers report on funding that the Council has applied for with an overview of the successful applications. To date the Council has applied for 12 Grants, with 3 successful, 7 unsuccessful and 2 still pending an outcome. Total funding received to date is £9,500.00 which is to be used for Youth Engagement and the Dementia Café.

CD 014 DEMENTIA CAFÉ PROJECT

Several applications have been received for the Dementia Café Co Ordinator role that the Council is currently advertising. The interviews are set to take place next Friday 11th June 2021. Once up and running the café is scheduled to take place on the second and last Wednesday of every month. Training of the new Omi Table will take place on Monday 14 June at 14:00 at the Parish Office, the Committee have bene invited.

CD 015 COMMUNITY CHOICES PROJECT

The Committee noted the report, there were no recommendations to consider. Publications of the community choices project will go live shortly and be advertised on social media and in the Haydon Wick "Living" Magazine. Councillors asked to spread the messaging amongst residents. Once the preferred project is assigned a business plan will be presented to confirm how the Council will achieve the project inline with the £12,000.00 allocated budget. The shortlisted projects for circulation and residents to decide upon are:

1. Youth Project

To engage a youth worker to develop and increase youth services and activities within the Parish, such as:

- Youth holiday workshops and activities
- Sports activities
- Essential skills development

2. Dementia Café Co-Ordinator & Wellbeing services

To make Haydon Wick a Dementia Friendly Community through the development of extended Dementia Café services and community spaces.

3. Remembrance/Memorial Statue

To commission a local artist to create a World War memorial sculpture to be positioned at the Haydon Wick Parish Council Office.

4. Intergenerational Arts & Cultural Event

To hold a Winter Wonderland Community Christmas Fair to celebrate Haydon Wick.

5. Community Festival highlighting local businesses and healthy lifestyles.

To hold a community wellbeing event promoting local businesses and healthy lifestyle options.

The Community Choices Working Party will meet to discuss and bring a proposal back to the Community Development Committee in August 2021.

CD 016

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

To be given to the Clerk in advance of the next meeting 3rd August 2021.

Chairman:

The meeting closed at 20.51