

WHITTLESEY TOWN COUNCIL – Community Projects Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 1st March 2023 at 6.00pm at Peel House, 8 Queen Street, Whittlesey, PE7 1AY.

Present: Cllr Mockett, Mrs Mayor, Whitwell, Gerstner, Davies, Mrs Windle.

Officer in attendance: Mrs Sue Piergianni – Town Clerk & RFO

Recording: The recording is made as an aide memoir for the Clerk.

CP13/2023. To receive apologies for absence from members.

Cllr Munns (Personal), Cllr Mason (prior engagement)

CP14/2023. To confirm and sign minutes from the last meeting of the Community Projects Committee held on Wednesday 1st February 2023.

Cllr Whitwell was not present at the last meeting, so no update was available, however asked to update members on a proposed change to the music events. Cllr Whitwell advised 2 of the stewards are not available for the set up and shut down at the June event., usually 4 stewards do this, Cllr Whitwell is also not available. He is concerned that there is not enough people to undertake these duties and therefore Cllr Whitwell proposed that the music event on 25th June 2023 be cancelled, seconded by Cllr Mockett with a unanimous in favour to cancel. The Clerk to notify the acts.

CP15/2023. To receive members' declarations of disclosable pecuniary, non-disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in relation to any agenda item.

There were no declarations.

CP16/2023. Public Forum. - To allow members of the public to address the Council. Time Allowed 15 mins total.

Eamonn Dorling, the big help out on 8th May is not being featured in the Whittlesey plans, he has received a reply from mayor advising that volunteers are being invited as a thank you for their good work. He suggested offering spaces to voluntary organisations which may encourage more people to volunteer. This is not about congratulating volunteers, it is about generating new volunteers. He did suggest the Monday event is re-evaluated. Cllr Mockett asked Cllr Dorling to email with him with any suggestions

CP17/2023. Agenda items for discussion.

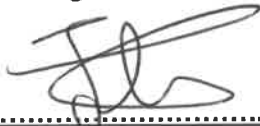
1. Allotment Update
 - a. Waiting list update – The Clerk advised we have 42 on the waiting list, many of these want half allotments, therefore if any full allotments are handed back, she will endeavour to split them into halves.
 - b. Allotment Inspection – Cllr Mockett will email all members to arrange a date for the inspection.

2. Kings Coronation
 - a. Bunting – Cllr Mockett advised the bunting has been ordered.
 - b. Coronation Flag – The Clerk suggested she order the official flag for the front of the building. Cllr Mockett proposed, seconded Cllr Mrs Mayor with a unanimous vote in favour.
 - c. Generators – Cllr Mockett advised he has received one quote and is waiting a second.

- d. The event on the Monday of the coronation weekend is at St Andrews Church, clarification is required on the amount of volunteers who will be invited. Members discussed all options for tickets and agreed that Cllr Mockett / Mrs Mayor generate a letter to go out to all community groups and other local organisations before the 20th March inviting them to respond if they wish to attend the event. If the demand is more than available, names may have to be pulled out of a hat. The deadline for submissions will be mid-April. Cllr Windle advised adverts had been put in local magazines asking for volunteers, however the people who have put their names forward felt they needed an explanation as to why they were not involved with the planning of the event. Cllr Mockett advised he would email Mrs Watson and Wooding
3. Hanging Basket Watering – The Clerk is waiting for other quotes
4. Wild-Flowers – Cllr Gerstner advised Cllr Dorling has planted 350sqm of wild flowers, the remaining area needs some work and Mr Dale has been asked for a quote to rake over the area and the cost for the seeds. The location of the dog bin has been agreed, the plaques are well advanced. Member of the public living close by will keep an eye on the site. The logo that Cllr Gerstner wished to use is subject to copyright, he has been advised that we cannot use it. Cllr Dorling has produced a large list of what can go on the boards, Cllr Gerstner would prefer two boards showing different information, he did advise members the cost is approximately 2800.00 each.
5. Duck Race 2023 – Cllr Mrs Mayor advised we are approximately 90 ducks short; the Clerk will order this as they expenditure will come from the Mayors Account. The dates for selling the tickets in the town will be 1st & 8th April and on the race day, Sunday 10th April .
6. Citizen of The Year – Cllr Mockett advised he, Cllr Whitwell and Mrs Mayor will do the judging on Monday 6th March at 9.30am in the office.

CP18/2023 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 5th April 2023

Meeting Closed: 6.55



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Cllr Jason Mockett
Chairman
Community Projects Committee

