## WHITTLESEY TOWN COUNCIL — Community Projects Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 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.

CP19/2023. To receive apologies for absence from members.

Clir Mason (personal)

<u>CP20/2023. To confirm and sign minutes from the last meeting of the Community Projects</u> <u>Committee held on Wednesday 1st March 2023</u>

Ratified: The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

<u>CP21/2023.</u> To receive members' declarations of disclosable pecuniary, non-disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in relation to any agenda item.

The were no member declarations.

<u>CP22/2023. Public Forum. - To allow members of the public to address the Council. Time Allowed 15 mins total.</u>

Cllr Dorling expressed his disappointment that the 'Big Help Out' is not being supported in Whittlesey and should be to provide the lasting legacy, it is shameful that Whittlesey is not standing forward and supporting this initiative.

## CP23/2032. Agenda items for discussion.

## 1. Allotment Update

- a. Wating list update The Clerk advised we have thirty-five on the waiting list. The invoices are just being sent out and a further 10 allotment holders are being advised their allotment is very poor and they need to hand back to bring it to a satisfactory state by the end of April.
- b. Allotment Inspection Cllr Mrs Mayor and Whitwell, carried out the inspection on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, quite a few had been poor on more than one occasion. Cllr Mrs Mayor will be attending the office on 13<sup>th</sup> April between 10 and 2pm to assist the clerk with any cash or cheque payments. Cllr Mrs Mayor has also met with Westfield nurseries regarding the discount card and will be sending them out once the allotment has been paid if they have paid by bacs, anyone paying in cash or by checked with be handed a card. The WAGS will pick up the cost of the postage.

## 2. Kings Coronation -

Cllr Mockett advised members that the deposits were needed had been paid and all other items were booked or in the final throws of agreement.

- a. Generator booked deposit paid.
- b. SIA Stewards booked.
- c. Trailer The Clerk is in communication with Boons.
- d. Toilets (Manor only) booked.

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- e. National Lottery Funding the grant of £7400 has been approved. £3500 to events company for the fairground rides at the Whittlesey event. Members discussed at length the option to give the two event locations £1000.00 each for food vouchers, Cllr Mockett proposed we do not issues the food vouchers, this was seconded by Cllr Davies with a unanimous vote in favour. Cllr Mockett proposed these funds plus additional funds from the budget will be used for children's rides at the Coates event on the Saturday, this was seconded by Cllr Davies with a unanimous vote in favour. Cllr Gerstner requested that a Kings Coronation bench be installed in platinum wood. Cllr Mrs Windle asked if mementoes for primary children were being considered, she was advised this had been discussed at a previous meeting and voted against. Cllr Mockett proposed we install a bench at Platinum woods, seconded Cllr Gerstner to a total of £1000.00 from Sloane & Sons. Cllr Gerstner proposed we order this bench, seconded by Cllr Mockett with a unanimous vote in favour.
- 3. Hanging Baskets Cllr Mockett has offered to assist the contractor to put the brackets. Cllr Davies will check out the locations using the list the Clerk has.
- 4. Wild-Flowers Cllr Gerstner and Dorling obtained a quote, which was approximately 3k to make ready the area and plant the seeds. Due to the cost this project has been put on hold.
- 5. Duck Race 2023 Cllr Mrs Mayor advised, the sales are down. The ducks are ready as are all the other preparations..
- 6. Eastrea Notice Board The local charity 'Storers, Grasses & Bulls' had been asked if they would put a notice board in Thornham Way play area, they were unable to assist. Cllr Mrs Mayor thinks we had an extra one made, Cllr Whitwell will make contact with manufacturer, he will need to ask FDC for permission to install it there and ask the contractor if he could install it.

CP24/2023 Date of next meeting: To be advised.

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Meeting Closed: 19:00

Cllr Jason Mockett

Chairman

Community Projects Committee