

# WHITTLESEY TOWN COUNCIL – Community Projects Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023 at 9.00am at Peel House, 8 Queen Street, Whittlesey, PE7 1AY.

**Present:** Cllr Mockett, Mayor, Whitwell, Gerstner, Black.

**Officer in Attendance:** Sue Piergianni – Town Clerk & RFO

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

## **CP25/2023 – Election of the Chairman**

Cllr Mockett was proposed, by Cllr Gerstner, seconded Cllr Whitwell, with a unanimous vote in favour.

## **CP26/2023 – Election of the Vice Chairman**

Cllr Black was proposed by Cllr Whitwell, seconded by Cllr Mockett, with a unanimous vote in favour.

## **CP27/2023. To receive apologies for absence from members.**

Cllr Dickinson – was not present and no apologies were given.

## **CP28/2023. To confirm and sign minutes from the last meeting of the Community Projects Committee held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023.**

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

## **CP29/2023. To receive members' declarations of disclosable pecuniary, non-disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in relation to any agenda item.**

There were no member declarations.

## **CP30/2023. Public Forum. - To allow members of the public to address the Council. Time Allowed 15 mins total.**

There were no members of the public present.

## **CP31/2023. Agenda items for discussion.**

1. Allotment Update – The Clerk advised members there were 33 on the waiting list with a few more to be allocated. The majority have paid, the Clerk is now working on any non-payments. Cllr Mockett advised members he had been asked about fencing the site, he has put an expression of interest into Ian Benney and his team at FDC. The Clerk advised the grass at the front of the allotments needs cutting; she was asked to contact the payback team to see how we can get them to engage with the town council. Cllr Mrs Mayor advised there are quite a few projects they could assist with; she will work with the Clerk on this.
2. Heritage Project – Cllr Mockett, advised we need to resurrect this project, Cllr Black will head this up initially. Cllr Gerstner and Mayor met with Phil Hughes FDC who own the land but advised it falls under Fields in Trust, the land cannot be built on without FDC permission, the funding that was available for a stand-alone building has now gone. Cllr Mockett suggested a new Heritage property working group is set up to start the process again. Members recommended unanimously for Simon to come up with ideas for presentation to the next projects meeting.
3. Hanging Baskets – Cllr Mockett advise he cannot assist with the contractor to identify the locations and asked the Clerk to see if Mr Mathers can assist. Cllr Mrs Mayor advised she will endeavour to change her plans and be on site on Friday morning, if not the Clerk will assist.

4. Jubilee Wood – Cllr Gerstner advised members the trees are doing very well, we have installed a dog waste bin, a rubbish bin, cycle rack and this weekend the King Charles III bench will be installed along with the interpretation board. In the future they plan to have something in there that is bee friendly, Cllr Dorling is progressing this. We could in the future put more seating in the area. All sponsors will have small granite plaque made courtesy of Whittlesey Independent Funeral Directors.
5. Music Events – Cllr Mockett suggested more funding is available for next year if we had three events on the marketplace, and other ones in the town. This item will be added to the next CP meeting.

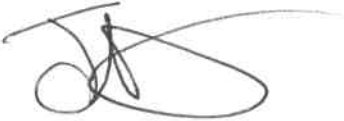
10.00. Cllr Dickinson arrived at the meeting.

6. Future Community Projects – continental market as one project, Cllr Mockett asked for this to be deferred to the next meeting, he also asked members to think about future projects.
7. B1040 grass cutting – Cllr Mockett has asked for this to go onto the next meeting and questioned by do WTC cut this when the land is owned by the Whittlesey Charities.

**CP32/2023 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 6.00pm**

Cllr Mrs Mayor gave apologies for this meeting.

Meeting Closed: 10:16



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Cllr Jason Mockett  
Chairman  
Community Projects Committee

