

DAVENTRY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Services Committee (CS2403) held at 3, New Street, Daventry on Monday, 3rd June 2024

PRESENT: **COUNCILLORS:**

Mike Arnold
Malcolm Ogle
Lynne Taylor (Chair)
Karen Tweedale (Vice-Chair)

IN ATTENDANCE: Sarah Fox - Responsible Finance Officer (RFO)
Carrie Gardner-Pett – Community Projects Officer (PO)

PUBLIC: 1 Members of the public
0 Members of the press

CS2403.1 APOLOGIES.

Councillor	Apologies	Resolved
Stephen Dabbs	Received and considered	Apologies Approved
Glenda Simmonds	Received and considered	Apologies Approved

CS2403.2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

No pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests declared.

CS2403.3 MINUTES

RESOLVED:	That the Minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on Monday 5 th February 2024 (Appendix 1) and Monday 20 th May 2024 (Appendix 2), be approved, and signed as a correct record.
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CS2403.4 COMMUNITY BUDGET

The RFO advised members that issues with the distribution of the spring newsletter had been highlighted to the distributor, and an investigation was conducted and a solution implemented to reduce the likelihood of repeat occurrence, the RFO advised that the distributor had issued an apology and a small reduction in the cost had been agreed.

Cllr Tweedale enquired about the budget for the youth provision, the RFO confirmed that the expenditure to date for the provision of the youth hub and outreach programme had been taken from the earmarked reserves provision and highlighted that a small budget had been included within the 2024/25 budget to cover the shortfall in the current levels contained within the reserves as had been recommended by the committee and agreed by the council.

CS2403.5 TOWN EVENTS

Member noted the report. The Chair requested that feedback was sought from West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) and British Cycling about the success of the Pedal Party event. The PO reported that the event was well attended and advised that she would request feedback with comparison to other such events.

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CS2403.6 COMMUNICATIONS

Members noted the report. The Chair commented that it was interesting to see the social media engagement and offered thanks to the Comms Officer for including such insights within the report.

CS2403.7 BURTON MEMORIAL CONSERVATION

The chair referred to the report and highlighted to members that the Community Services Committee did not have a budget set aside for any potential works to the Burton Memorial and advised that any recommendation would need to be considered by full council.

The PO spoke to the report and advised that she had obtained two quotations from conservators, who would undertake and inspection of the Burton Memorial and provide a report on the condition and conservation with recommendation of works, which would then be quoted for separately. The PO advised that the third quotation was from a memorial cleaner, who had provided an estimate for cleaning the memorial and the surrounding area, with suggested options of additional works which could be considered.

The PO advised that the council could consider applying for grants to cover some or all of the costs of any works that are required. The PO advised they would explore suitable funding options.

Members concurred that a condition report would be the preferred route to ensure that any works that are to be carried out are necessary for the preservation of the Burton Memorial, and it was

RECOMMENDED	That Council approve the appointment of David Sleight Conservation to provide a detailed inspection report on the condition of the Burton Memorial at a cost of £1410.00.
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CS2403.8 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

CS2403.9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday 2nd September 2024.

The meeting closed at 18:53 hrs.

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