

## **Minutes of the Community Engagement and Health & Wellbeing Meeting held on 5 December 2022 at 7.30pm in the Parish Office**

Present: Cllrs S Berlyn, A Chapman, B Hallett and M Hessing

In attendance: M Harper (Clerk), Cllr G Chapman and one member of the public

### **22/23.78 Apologies for absence**

There were no apologies for absence

### **22/23.79 Declarations of Interest**

Members are required to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they know they may have in items of business on the meeting's agenda. They are reminded that they will need to repeat their declaration at the appropriate point in the meeting and leave the room if the interest is a prejudicial one. Unforeseen interests must be declared similarly at the appropriate time. Members have dispensation to discuss and vote in respect of matters relating to the Precept and the DCA.

There were no declarations of interest

### **22/23.80 Public Question Time**

Members of the public are invited to address the Council, give their views and question the Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration (at the discretion of the Chairman). Members of the public may not take part in the Council meeting itself. At the close of this item members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the Council unless invited to do so by the Chairman. The session will last for a maximum of 15 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 5 minutes. Members of the public should address their representation through the Chairman of the meeting.

There were no comments

### **22/23.81 To approve Minutes of the Community Engagement and Health & Wellbeing Committee meeting held 31 October 2022**

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Community Engagement and Health & Wellbeing Committee meeting held on 31 October 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record

### **22/23.82 Actions from the Minutes**

The actions were noted

### **22/23.83 Health and Wellbeing Activities**

It was agreed that the Carers Group would be cancelled from January 2023, and that the Committee would prefer to consider hosting a Health & Wellbeing Afternoon at the Leisure Centre whereby representatives from organisations such as Farleigh Hospice, Citizens Advice, Alzheimer's Society and Parkinson could be available to meet with residents.

### **22/23.84 Christmas Event**

A review of the Christmas 2022 event was held. The general feedback was:

Charging for some activities next year

Better crowd control for the entertainer and the reindeer

Different location for Santa's Grotto due to the overcrowding at the entrance to the market

The event was very well attended and popular

Consideration of buggy parking and access

The publicity was very good and attracted a number of residents and people from outside the area

A PA system would make announcements easier

A pre-walk through with volunteers would have been helpful

It was agreed that for 2023 the Carols at the Tree followed by mince pies should take place on Friday 1 December and the Salvation Army band approached to play

A similar event to 2022 should be organised on Saturday 25 November and that a plan should be agreed at the next Committee meeting

**22/23.85 Coronation 2023**

RESOLVED: that an event similar to the one held for the Platinum Jubilee be held on Sunday 7 May, that the toilets, morris dancers and Toy Box Theatre should be booked as quoted and that inflatables should be booked up to a cost of £1,700.00, proposed by Cllr Hessing and seconded by Cllr Hallett, agreed

Further details would be agreed at the next meeting.

**22/23.86 Community Communication**

Advertising the coronation event, especially for volunteers.

**22/23.87 Matters for Report (for information only)**

The first meeting of the Danbury Times editorial team would be held in early January.

The Clerk will recirculate the information relating to a potential flagpole

It is possible to hire a beacon for a week at a cost of £150.00 – this item will be added to a future agenda once the national plans for the coronation are available

**22/23.88 Dates of next meeting**

To be confirmed

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

Chairman .....

Date .....