

Minutes of the Community Engagement and Health & Wellbeing Meeting held on 6 July 2022 at 7.30pm in the Parish Office

Present: Cllrs S Berlyn, C Chaney, A Chapman, N Day, B Hallett and M Hessing

In attendance: M Harper (Clerk)
Member of Danbury Shed Group

22/23.29 Apologies for absence

None

22/23.30 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

22/23.31 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 members of the public present

22/23.32 To approve Minutes of the Community Engagement and Health & Wellbeing Committee meeting held 30 May 2022

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Community Engagement and Health & Wellbeing Committee meeting held on 30 May 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record

22/23.33 Actions from the Minutes

The actions from the minutes were noted.

Cllr Hallett advised that contact had been made with St John's School with regard to restarting the School Visits
The Clerk will ask Rev Jones to attend the next meeting to discuss assistance with the Remembrance Parade

22/23.34 Carers Group

The timetable of meetings with details of the speakers has been published. Councillors to advise of attendance at the forthcoming meetings. There was some discussion regarding the need for the group to become self-facilitating.

22/23.35 Jubilee Festival

Feedback on the Jubilee Festival was discussed:

- Overall it was considered to be a good event
- Clearer announcements and better signage
- Base for the first aiders
- More bins to be available
- More effective use of the top field
- Consideration on additional parking and guidance for disabled drivers
- Greater variety in food stalls and ice cream vans
- More community groups in attendance such as police or fire service

- More events during the day such as a dog show
- Not enough room in the kitchen downstairs to serve tea and coffee
- More advertising
- Stage area was seen as a ticket/VIP area
- More stage entertainment
- More volunteers needed
- Human Fruit Machine was excellent

22/23.36 Future Events

The following events were discussed:

- Opening of the Play Equipment – it was agreed to recommend holding a ‘bring your own’ picnic, Sports Centre bar, free tea/coffee/squash, ice cream van, and potentially a local radio
- Potential transfer of the Sports & Social Centre – to discuss at the next meeting on 19 September
- Christmas – agreed to hold on Saturday 3 or 10 December with consideration of sourcing a local band to play carols at the Christmas Tree, Santas Grotto and reindeer, potentially children entertainer. Event to start at 6pm at the Tree
- Defibrillator training – being arranged with Danbury First Responders and will be advertised once dates are confirmed

22/23.37 Noticeboards

The noticeboard at Elm Green has been completed and all boards are being updated. There was some discussion regarding the Jubilee Decal. Councillors to circulate a photo for discussion.

22/23.38 Mens Shed

A member of the Shed Group spoke to the Committee about the Shed and noted that it was a valued resources by the members who were very proud of the Human Fruit Machine and were looking at other projects including a Splat the Rat and ‘figures’ such as a pumpkin and polar bears/penguin for Eves Corner. Once the building is ready the Group will host an official opening day; discussions would be held with the appropriate committee in relation to any building expenses. The Committee discussed possible funding avenues and recommended the Group contact Essex County Councillor John Spence regarding the Locality Fund

22/23.38.1 purchase of tools to a total of £1,420 from the grants recently received was discussed and agreed

RESOLVED: that tools up to the cost of £1,420.00 be purchased from grants for the Mens Shed recently received, proposed by Cllr Hessing and seconded by Cllr Berlyn, all agreed

22/23.38.2 delegated authority to the Clerk to approve the purchase of equipment for the use of the Mens Shed in line with the requirements of the grants received was discussed and agreed

RESOLVED: that the Clerk be delegated authority to approve the purchase of equipment for the use of the Mens Shed in line with the requirements of the grants received, proposed by Cllr Berlyn and seconded by Cllr Day, all agreed

22/23.39 Community Engagement

The Carers Group and the Defibrillator Training would be advertised

22/23.40 Matters for Report (for information only)

There is some discussion between the Rotary Club and a youth provider regarding starting a Youth Club in Danbury utilising the Old Pavilion.

Cllr Chapman asked that the article for the Focus and Contact be circulated to the Committee for review

Cllr Hessing noted that she was meeting with the Medical Centre regarding recent concerns that had been expressed by residents

22/23.41 Dates of next meeting

It was agreed that the Clerk would circulate Members for additional date for meeting before the end of July

Monday 19 September to be held at the Parish Office at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

Chairman

Date