



HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of the
COMMUNITY AMENITIES COMMITTEE
held on
9 MARCH 2020

PRESENT: Chair: Councillor Lowri Earith

Councillors: As per Council Meeting

Officers: As per Council meeting

396/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

As per Council meeting with the addition of Councillor Ve Amos.

397/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillor Bob Connah declared an interest in item 9, duly completed his Declaration of Interest form and left the room whilst the matter had been discussed.

398/19 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 10th February 2020 be received as a true record and signed by the Chair.

399/19 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

With regard to item 359/19, Councillor Dave Mackie sought clarification as to the correct option that had been resolved. The Chair responded by confirming that the new arrangement to be trialled related to the neighbouring properties/friends and/or relatives option to nominate entrants via a leaflet drop.

400/19 COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the meeting of the Communications Sub-Committee held on Thursday 5th March had been circulated to members prior to the meeting. Councillor Emma Preece requested that Item 7 read "meet again in due course" as opposed to September which had been duly amended.

IT WAS RESOLVED: noting the change above, to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee.

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401/19 LIGHTING FAULTS:

Councillor George Hardcastle requested an update on the lights along Lower Aston Hall Lane prior to the fly over and Councillor Bob Connah asked if the angle of the light on Hawarden Way, opposite the Bus Stop, could be altered as it appeared to be facing the wrong way.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates and action required.

402/19 CLERK AND FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

The Clerk and Financial Officer advised members that the first annual meeting of the Herbert Gladstone Recreation Ground Trustees would be held on Wednesday 25th March at the Institute in Hawarden at 6.30 p.m.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the update.

403/19 GLADSTONE PLAYING FIELDS:

A number of requests had been submitted to the Community Council requesting permission to use the fields.

IT WAS RESOLVED:

- i) To approve the request from Hawarden Rangers Football Club to run its annual football tournament on Saturday 11th July, subject to the Football Club securing its own insurance and First Aid together with an assurance that all litter is collected at the end of the event;
- ii) To approve the family fun-run fundraising day on Sunday 12th April subject to the event organisation securing their own insurance and First Aid together with an assurance that all litter is collected at the end of the event; and
- iii) To approve permission for the fair to be operational on Saturday 11th July, alongside the Football tournament, with the income from the fair to be paid direct to the Community Council and that any damage to the field be kept to a minimum.

404/19 REQUEST FROM 1ST HAWARDEN SCOUT GROUP:

The Clerk and Financial Officer outlined that pursuant to minute numbers 68/19, 8th July, 2019 and 108/19, 9th September 2019, the Community Council had been approached by the Hawarden First Scout Group to lease additional land to the rear of the Scout Hut to house the mini-bus and to install improved drainage following recent bouts of flooding. Regrettably, the Scout Hut had been flooded again in February and the Scout Organisation had been unable to obtain appropriate insurance cover.

The request would entail the installation of new drainage approximately 5 metres away from the Scout Head Quarters, a change to the position of the access gate to the Council's depot and the subsequent diversion of the gravel track, together with the planting of a tree 'in the vicinity' following the felling of the Horse Chestnut Tree.

Councillor Clive Carver reminded members of the requirements of the Charities Act in relation to any disposal of land and the requirements to have a surveyor value the land.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the request be acceded to, subject to the costs being affordable by both the Community Council and the Hawarden First Scout Group and that the Charities Commission guidance be adhered to.

405/19 KEEP WALES TIDY – FUNDING FOR GREEN GROWTH PROJECTS:

The Clerk and Financial Officer had shared with Members the Keep Wales Tidy - Green Growth programme. The deadline for the first tranche of applications had been 6th March 2020 so two applications had been submitted for a Butterfly garden and a Wildlife garden for Aston and Mancot. An outcome had been awaited.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the update.

406/19 MEMBERS' INFORMATION ITEMS:

Councillor Darren Sterry informed members that the Co-operative in Ewloe would like to conduct a community litter pick and had requested permission from the County Council.

Councillor Ralph Small reminded members that a community litter pick would take place in Mancot on 21st March.

On the subject of litter, Councillor Janet Axworthy asked if the bins that had been removed from Carlines Park could be reinstated and litter collected from under the fly-over and the paths along Carlines Park. Councillor Cheryl Carver asked if the Litter Collector could also attend the Records Office car park.