



Jayne Topham
Town Clerk

COMMUNITY & CULTURAL COMMITTEE

THURSDAY 15th APRIL 2021

MINUTES

Present:

Councillor Mrs L Butler

Councillor N Butler (sub)

Councillor R Eddy (Chair)

Councillor Mrs MA Grainger

Councillor D Skinner

Councillor R Edgington

Councillor O Jacques

Co-opted Members:

Mrs B Allen

252. Apologies: Mayor & Cllr. PS Birdi. It was resolved to accept their apologies.

253. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests - none

254. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th February 2021. It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record.

Matters arising: Peace Pole, Names for Memorial – Town Clerk advised that a new location was being sort by the Rotary as a wooden pole was not viable. The name plaques for the memorial have been ordered for installation in June 2021.

255. Community update

Mrs B Allen WDC advised that the concentration of the work for the Community Partnership Team is around supporting recovery in the local community following “Lockdown” easing. Community Hubs are delivering support to those who are still self-isolating. The Community Economic Recovery Fund is continuing to run and a budget of £82K has been rolled over. Health impact assessment has been carried out due to Covid – A strategy linked to poverty is being developed based on feedback from this assessment

and also feedback from a resident's survey that has also been circulated.
A final version of the strategy will be sent to the Town Clerk.
A definition of what "poverty" means will be sent to the Town Clerk also.

256. Children Centre – update from Cllr PS Birdi – deferred due to the Cllrs absence.

256. St Mary's Lands Working Party – Cllr N Butler & Cllr D Skinner reported:
As mentioned at the last C&C meeting the SML draft plan was circulated to all Councillors. A virtual meeting was held with the CEO (WDC) and the Project Manager. Following this a WTC response was agreed and sent to WDC for consideration at the next Working Party meeting.
The planning application for the new signage at the entrance is still to come before the WDC Planning Committee. It is on the agenda for this month's meeting.
The issue relating to protecting the nesting birds seems to have quietened down.

258. Twinning

Twining initiatives – Cllr O Jacques – nothing new to report at present.
Partnership meeting -Cllr R Eddy to advised that a virtual meeting will be held on the 12th May 2021.
2021 – 30-year celebration with Verden – Town Clerk gave an update on tree planting in St Nicolas park. Priory Park was considered.

259. Warwick in Bloom – Competition 2021 – Cllr R Eddy advised that video footage can be used. Competition will be held in mid-July. All entry categories will be held. Some visits may be possible subject to Gov. guidelines. Theme "feeling at home" in your green space.
Basket sales – Cllr R Eddy advised that 250 baskets had been sold. Thanks to Mandy Littlejohn for her support.
Railway station – Cllr Mrs L Butler advised that she had not heard from the Friends of the Station. The Town Clerk will work with Cllr Mrs L Butler to move this forward.

260. Blue Plaque – agree a programme to be launched in the summer – discuss proposal. Cllr Eddy has merged the work carried out by the Visitor information Centre. Project to create a trail and consult to find new opportunities. Launch will be after the 3rd of July to incorporate the new Healey Court plaque.
Trail will be tried to ensure timings work. Information available in the visitor information centre will be incorporated and updated.

261. Queens Jubilee – plan an event - discuss

Discuss ideas brought forward from the last meeting. Cllr Eddy gave an overview of how he saw the event being held. Events are being organised around the Town and need to be taken into consideration. It is a Platinum Jubilee 70 years – The Queen is the first monarch to reach this.
WIB colours will be dictated by the Commonwealth games also held that year.

262. Grants to approve: The Parenting Project – Family Wellbeing Pathway £5,000
It was unanimously resolved to approve the application with a view to Full Councils' agreement.

Signed..... Dated.....