



WARWICK TOWN COUNCIL

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COMMUNITY & CULTURAL COMMITTEE

1st SEPTEMBER 2021

Present:

Councillor M Ashford	Councillor PS Birdi
Councillor Mrs L Butler	Councillor R Eddy (Chair)
Councillor O Jacques	Councillor T Morris
Councillor N Murphy	Councillor D Skinner
The Mayor (Ex Officio)	

Co-opted Members:

Mrs B Allen and Karen Parker Chair of Unlocking Warwick

Cllr Mrs MA Grainger & Cllr N Butler were also in attendance.

MINUTES

127. Apologies: Cllrs Birdi, Jacques & Murphy. It was resolved to approve their apologies.

128. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests. - None

129. Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd June 2021.

It was resolved to sign the minutes as a true record.

130. Warwick – A Singing Town – Jeremy Dibb

Jeremy gave an outline of the project. Linked to Warwick School Foundation.

Funding for the project is secured for the next 3 years.

NHS is involved to ensure residents with mental issues are involved, Long Covid suffers gain benefits from singing. The intention is supporting an Annual Coral Festival in the Town.

A website is being created; social media will advise local people of forthcoming events.

They are taking the project into the community. Enabling singing to take place anywhere in Warwick.

131. City Status – WDC Liam Bartlett advised that the District Council were happy to supply

support should the Town Council wish to go ahead. The deadline for applications is the 8th December 2021.

Support is available for an online survey for residents.

10 City's currently in the UK – City status is a good PR tool.

The Town Council needs to decide if they wish to take the next step.

The District Council would support with “on costs” if the Town were successful via grants etc.

It was resolved to support the application Cllr N Butler offered to lead the project and carry out a consultation. Cllr Morris agreed to also agreed to support.

132. Community Engagement

Unlocking Warwick – Karen Parker Chair – reported (appendix 1)

133. Community Update – Deferred due to absence

134. Children Centre – Deferred due to absence

135. St Mary's Lands Working Party – Cllr N Butler advised that the cycleway is being official opened on Friday.

136. Twinning – 2021 – 30-year celebration with Verden – Cllr R Eddy advised That the tree planting was progressing – grant funding remains to support.

- **Initiatives** – Cllr O Jacques

137. Warwick in Bloom – review competition – Cllr R Eddy advised that the results were in and will be announced to entrants early next week.

Colour theme for next year – due to the Queens Jubilee we will be looking to find suitable plants using a Red/White and Blue theme incorporating platinum foliage.

Colours from the Queen's standard to be incorporated too.

The baskets this year have been spectacular.

138. Queen's Jubilee – Cllr R Eddy advised

Queen's canopy – The Mayor advised that he was liaising with WDC regarding funding and locations for 70 trees. The Lord Lieutenant is creating a map for the local area to present to the Palace. We are also launching a local hero/champion event to get those nominated to plant them. A good opportunity to recognise local people.

Local areas were suggested to the Mayor where planting could take place.

139. Blue Plaque – programme for 2021 – Cllr R Eddy advised

- **Application for a Blue Plaque** A request has been received to create a blue plaque for Dick Turpin to be erected on location where he was born in Park Street.

140. Grants – St Mary’s tree festival £213. It was resolved to approved the grant.

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