



Present: Councillors

Wendy Berriman Ajanta Hilton Dorothy Kerry David Parry
Bill Pryce (Chair)

Co-opted Committee Members:

Chris Matson (PSRA) Barbara Vernon (PS Village Hall) Brian Gibbard (CGRA)
Linda Crocker (BWRA)

Also present:

Isabel Crozier - Assistant Clerk

Minutes of the **Community & Leisure Committee meeting** held on
Thursday 4th November 2021 at 7.30am
Venue: **Parish Centre, Station Road, Bricket Wood, AL2 3PJ**

- 2122/CL/030 To receive and accept apologies for absence
Apologies received from Cllr Whittaker.
- 2122/CL/031 Declarations of interest and dispensations
- To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda
 - To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests; and
 - To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate
- None received
- 2211/CL/032 To confirm the minutes of the last meeting of the Community and Leisure Committee, held on 7th September 2021
RESOLVED: Cllr Parry, seconded Cllr Berriman, Unanimous that the minutes be agreed and signed.
- 2211/CL/033 Public Participation – To invite comment and questions from the public in accordance with the Public Speaking Policy.
None
- 2122/CL/034 Matters arising not appearing later on the agenda
- Woodbury Field
An application to Herts Highways has been made for a vehicle crossing for maintenance of the field. This is required before investment can be made in the facilities.
 - Community Energy Scheme
An approach has been made to Repowering to make a presentation to the Council about setting up a community energy project.
ACTION: Assistant Clerk to follow up with Repowering and approach Sustainable St Albans to see if there are any alternative leads.
 - North Close community garden/orchard project
no update
- 2122/CL/035 To consider a community consultation on future projects and events
ACTION: Cllrs Hilton, Parry, Berriman and Brian Gibbard to work to produce an

online questionnaire for a community consultation to be held end Jan 22 - early Feb 22. Committee members to consult with groups and forward ideas to Cllr Hilton.

2122/CL/036 To receive an update on commemorative benches and trees policy
Cllrs Berriman, Kerry and Whittaker are working on this

2122/CL/037 To consider plans for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee
The National Beacon Lighting will take place on Thursday 2nd June at 9.15pm. It was agreed that this is something this Council and CGRA would like to participate in and that food stalls and a bar could be included as part of the evening event. This would be the offering for Chiswell Green.

Park Street Residents Association will organise a picnic at the Park Street Rec on Friday 3rd June and apply to the Council for a grant when they know more about likely costs.

Linda Crocker will take the proposal that Bricket Wood Residents Association organise a walk on Saturday 4th June which could finish at the Parish Centre.

It was agreed that a task and finish group should be formed to progress organisation of the events, including one member from each ward and one member from each RA. Cllrs Hilton, Pryce, Berriman and Parry volunteered.

ACTION: Resident Association reps to agree plans with their committees.
Task and finish group to meet via Zoom before the end of November.

2122/CL/038 To agree a panel to consider the Community Award nominations
The Council have received nominations in all categories and plan to make the Awards at the Christmas Market at 5pm. It was agreed that a panel of three Cllrs, Kerry, Berriman and Parry, should consider the nominations and decide on the winners. All nominees to be notified of their nominations.

2122/CL/039 To consider further proposals to be put forward for capital and revenue costs directly relating to this committee for the 2022/23 Parish Council Budget and inclusion to the Operational Plan eg events.
RESOLVED: Cllr Parry proposed, Cllr Berriman seconded, unanimous that a figure of £5,000 be put forward to the Finance Committee for inclusion in the 22/23 budget for events and £1000 to youth projects.

2122/CL/040 Update from Residents Associations
PSRA – Xmas lights switch-on planned for Thursday 2nd Dec 5-6pm. There will be a Best Festive House & Garden Competition with a hamper as the prize.
CGRA – are having regular meetings and getting things started again after a hiatus during Covid due to loss of committee members.
BWRA – the BW Station Heritage Trust is moving forward with the renovation project, funding and permissions in place. There will be a lights switch-on event at St Lukes on 4th Dec. First Night of Chanuka taking place on 28th Nov outside Oakwood Shops, Cllrs Berriman and Kerry to attend.

2122/CL/041 Clerks Report
a) To consider enquiry from St Albans City and District Council for possible location of a large skate facility for the District.
A petition with over 1500 signatures was submitted and considered by SADC Full Council in February 2021 asking for a large outdoor skate facility to serve the district. An SADC Working Group has been set up with 6 cllrs and officers and they have shortlisted three possible locations including Greenwood Park.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk to ascertain if Parish reps could attend the working party meetings.

- b) A member of staff reported falling near the entrance to Greenwood Park this week, reporting that the lamppost wasn't working and there wasn't sufficient light.

ACTION: Maintenance Person to fix lamppost and plan for better lighting to be considered by the Fixed Assets Committee.