



**Present:** Councillors

Ajanta Hilton                      David Parry (Chair)                      Wendy Berriman                      Bill Pryce

Co-opted Committee Members:

Chris Matson (PSRA)                      Barbara Vernon (PS Village Hall)

Also present:

Isabel Crozier - Assistant Clerk (taking minutes, 1 member of the public.

Minutes of the **Community & Leisure Committee meeting** held on  
**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 7.30am**  
Venue: **Parish Centre, Station Road, Bricket Wood, AL2 3PJ**

2122/CL/015 To confirm the appointment of Chair of the Community & Leisure Committee for 2021/22

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Berriman, seconded Cllr Hilton, unanimous that Cllr Bill Pryce be elected Chair of the Community and Leisure Committee for 2021/22

Cllr Parry agreed to Chair for this meeting in Cllr Pryce's absence

2122/CL/016 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Kerry. Apologies also received from Linda Crocker (BWRA).

2122/CL/017 Declarations of interest and dispensations

- a) To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda
  - b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests; and
  - c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate
- None received

2211/CL/018 To confirm the minutes of the last official meeting of the Leisure Committee, held on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and to note the minutes of the last Community and Leisure Meeting (unofficial) held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

**RESOLVED:** Cllr Parry, seconded Cllr Berriman, Unanimous that the minutes from the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021 be agreed and signed.

**RESOLVED:** Cllr Parry, seconded Cllr Hilton, Unanimous that the minutes from the virtual meeting held on 15 July 2021 be agreed.

2122/CL/019 Matter Arising not appearing later on the agenda

011 – Possible places for Tree planting winter 2021/22

Trees that were planted at Mount Pleasant Lane School were cut down by grounds maintenance contractors this summer. Munden Estate was suggested as a possible place for tree planting. Wilder St Albans is a project run by SADC and the Herts & Middlesex Wildlife Trust – they are looking for suggestions of green spaces and verges that could be left long to encourage wildlife.

012 – suggestions for road names with local historic connections

Should look in the book by Cyril Martin, Park Street's Past, for suggestions. One suggestion was to provide schools with copies of the local history books and ask them if they'd like to do a project to suggest road names.

AOB – WhatsApp group for events

Still need further telephone numbers to be passed onto Cllr Hilton if this is going to work.

- 2122/CL/020 Public Participation- To invite comment and questions from the public in accordance with the Public Speaking Policy  
A member of the public spoke about the potential for the Council to be involved in setting up a Community Energy Initiative. A company called Repowering works with communities to undertake community engagement and might for instance help the Council put solar panels on its buildings to generate energy which can power the Council and surplus could then be sold to the local school at a small profit but at a lower rate to energy companies. There are case studies all over London. <https://www.repowering.org.uk/>
- 2122/CL/021 To consider a community energy scheme, funded from the Section 106 Green Infrastructure monies  
**ACTION:** Assistant Clerk to ask Repowering to give a presentation to the Council and query the ownership of any solar panels delivered as part of a scheme. To also check with the SADC officers if S106 could be used to fund such a scheme.
- 2122/CL/022 To provide an update on Woodbury Field  
The Parish Council is in the process of taking ownership of Woodbury Field from SADC and it has been discovered that there is no official vehicular access onto the field. Without this legal access in place it is inappropriate to invest in the site. The Council are in the process of applying to Highways for a new access but this will delay the project.
- Cllr Hilton and the member of the public left the meeting.
- 2122/CL/023 To consider co-option of reps from the community to this committee  
**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Parry, seconded Cllr Berriman, unanimous that Barbara Vernon is co-opted onto the committee.
- 2122/CL/024 To receive an update on commemorative benches and trees Policy  
Deferred
- 2122/CL/025 To consider plans for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee  
Park Street RA are planning a picnic on Park Street Rec on 4<sup>th</sup> June. The Council, working with CGRA, are considering holding an event at Greenwood Park with food stalls and possibly fireworks. BWRA to confirm plans.
- 2122/CL/026 To consider the co-ordination of community recognition across the parish  
It was agreed that the Council should ask for nominations for the Community Awards in the next month and presentations could be made at the Christmas Market.
- 2122/CL/027 To discuss plans for a project to develop a community garden/orchard at North Close Open Space and commence a consultation  
A possible project to establish a community garden and orchard and have part given over to more allotments was discussed. Orchard trees could be sponsored/donated, possibly as part of the Queens Jubilee and an area designated for beehives.  
**ACTION:** Assistant Clerk to produce a plan and inc likely costs for fencing, water supply, access paths, cultivation etc when time allows. Obtain costs for car park extension at GWP. Ask for volunteers interested in being involved.

2122/CL/028 To consider proposals to be put forward for capital and revenue costs directly relating to this committee for the 2022/23 Parish Council Budget, eg events.  
£200 - Community Awards 2022  
£5,000 – Queens Jubilee Celebrations  
£10,000 – North Close/car park works  
£10,000 – Woodbury Field – vehicle cross over  
£??,000 – paving at the War Memorial

2122/CL/029 Update from Residents Associations  
A successful social event for the elderly was held on 1<sup>st</sup> August with 86 in attendance entertained by a Jazz band. PSRA are running a MacMillan Coffee Morning event in September. The Wellbeing Day at the Village Hall is in October. The How Wood Christmas lights switch on will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 2021  
Afternoon tea for the elderly residents is held monthly in the Village Hall.