

CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL

COMMUNITY WELLBEING COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 5th October 2022 7.00pm at the Pinehurst Reading Rooms & Zoom link.

Present Cllr J Yeowell
Cllr M Beale

Cllr P. Exell (Virtual)

In Attendance: Cllr M Lucas

Officers A Reeves (Parish Clerk)
A Cripps (Virtual)
A Webb

CW143 Apologies

Apologies have been received from G Barr and M Johnston
Cllr Steph Exell (Dispensation until October 2022.)

CW144 Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation

Cllr Beale declared an interest in the Penhill Orchard.

CW145 Public Questions

Standing Orders have been suspended.

A member of the public have been given the opportunity to ask details on group activities or youth clubs organised by the council in support of autistic young children. A Webb Youth Officer will be in contact with him for details.

Standing Orders have been re-instated.

CW146 "Warm Bank" Update

The Libraries Manager presented an update to the proposed Warm Spaces programme:

1. Further to decisions made at Full Council on Wednesday 28th September 2022, the Parish will deliver a Warm Spaces Offer during Winter 2022/23.
2. The initial offer will advertise PTCC, JMH and ML as Warm Spaces during their current hours of operation Monday to Saturday from October to December.
3. This will be under ongoing review, to see where funds can be sourced from, either existing funds or external funding.
4. The Parish will additionally liaise with other community centres and other organisations with the aim of providing local access to a Warm Space across the Parish.



5. Branding for the Warm Spaces offer will be developed and used in promotion of the service.
6. A dedicated webpage providing signposting to information and support services relevant to the cost-of living crisis will be developed.
7. The Parish will seek to host information and advocacy events relevant to the cost-of-living crisis.
8. Up to £8,000 of the Libraries Manager's events budget will be utilised to provide activities and events at our Warm Spaces during the Winter.

RESOLVED: Councillors **NOTED** the report.

CW147

Grant Funding Update

The Grants Manager sent apologies. An update is included below for Members to NOTE post-meeting:

1. Dementia Café received approximately £8k grant.
2. A bid as submitted to the Inequalities Fund for £65k for a food poverty programme with Parish setting up a Crop drop programme (allotment surplus), working alongside Nightshelter, Gorse Hill Baptist church, Salvation Army and Foodcycle. Bid includes 12 month post at £32k; to decide how to use funds including fridges/storage for partners and coordinated training courses. It is a sort of pilot project linked to the Feeding Swindon Partnership.

CW148

Budget 2023/24

Members noted the 22.23 Budget at 31st July 2022.

The Libraries Manager presented the proposed Libraries budget for 2023.24. Members have been advised to start conversations on the next year's budget lines and activities and make their proposals for FGP committee to consider at next meeting on 1st November 2022.

RESOLVED: Councillors **NOTED** the report and will set up a Budget Review Meeting to discuss next year's budget proposal.

CW149

Community & Youth Officer Update

The Community & Youth Officer provided a verbal update on the October Half Term Youth Plan & Winter Day Trips.

- **October half term** was presented.
- **Community Café** will be having an opening day on Monday 17th October for councillors and local partners to promote the community café.
- **Bourton on the water** - A group of over 60s from Even Swindon ward was taken on a trip to Bourton on the Water. The Community Officers will be looking to do another over 60s trip in November with residents from a different parish ward.



RESOLVED: To **NOTE** the report.

CW150

Walking For Health

The Community & Youth Officer informed that the Community Map will have more updates regarding way markers finishing the mapping in November's CWB meeting. Pinder Creative have finished the final design. Silver Saturday on Saturday 22nd October minimal places remain.

CW151

Assets Manager Update

The Community Centres Manager provided a verbal update on Community centre usage.

CW152

JMH

- JMH is booked out for 3 weeks, Monday to Friday by a training provider, increasing revenue, and hopefully they will use the building for future training courses.
- Resident Church group have increased their bookings to include many Friday and Saturday Evenings.
- SBC held COVID vaccinations on Thursday 29th September attendance was fantastic, so much so they ran out of vials of the vaccine and had to go get more.

CW153

PTCC

- We held a Macmillan coffee morning on 30th September and raised £119.
- PTCC's usage is increasing to the point we have used 32 The Circle on several times for various training groups.
- We have Silver Saturday on 22nd October 2pm to 5pm, this will include a free high tea and entertainment to those over the age of 55, we are almost at full capacity with bookings for this event.
- Information day at PTCC on 26 October, where all regular users and local community groups have been invited to promote their services.
- Dementia café held their Autumn Party on 28th September with a guest appearance from Dily's the therapy dog.
- Fantastic news our dementia café has been awarded a grant from the National Lottery for the calendar year starting November 2022, many thanks to Gladys and Stephanie Newton on their hard work securing this important grant.
- Gladys and I have been working with FoodCycle regarding free community meals provided at PTCC for anyone wishing to receive a 3 course meal once a week, this initiative is to make food poverty, loneliness and food waste a thing of the past for every community. I have included the link for Foodcycle-
<https://foodcycle.org.uk/>

Meeting concluded at 20:03



Signed.....

Date.....15/~~30~~02/2023

Chair of the Community Wellbeing Committee

