



Parish Council

Central Swindon North Parish Council

Pinetrees Community Centre,

The Circle,

SWINDON SN2 1QR

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 2nd October 2024 19.00

Present:

Councillors:

Cllr James Yeowell (Chair)
Cllr Joy Grotzinger
Cllr Paul Park

Clerk:

Mr Aaron Webb (Community & Youth Officer)

Officers:

Mr Aaron Cripps (Marketing, Literacy & Digital
Services Manager)
Mr Matt Gleed (Leisure Manager)
Mrs Louise Whatley (Assets Officer)(virtually)

Member of the Public Present: Carron

Apologies

Cllr Dave Patey

		Action
CD137	Declarations of Interest Cllr Paul Park declared a non-precursory interest in the Library & Leisure Trust.	

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CD138	Public Questions & Public Correspondence Carron asked that the Parish be aware that many residents will be getting lonely and anxious as the days get shorter and could the Parish support them where possible.	
CD139	African Festival Cllr J Grotzinger presented a verbal presentation. The event will take place on the 5th July 2024 and will cost around £6,410.00 to cover artists, licenses, security and stage equipment. Mr A Webb explained that licences are per event at the moment, but The Parish is looking at acquiring a licence to cover all events in the future. Mr A Cripps explained that if Ward Allowance money would be used towards the event it would need to be placed in an EMR for specific use next year or it would be lost. Cllr J Yeowell and Cllr P Park expressed positively around the event. RESOLVED Councillors NOTED the presentation.	
CD140	Grants Manager Update Mr A Webb presented the Grant Managers written report. See Appendix 1. Cllr P Park thanked Officers for all their hard work in acquiring grants to support the residents. RESOLVED Councillors NOTED the update.	
CD141	Leisure Manager Update Mr M Gleed presented a verbal update. Further grants are being applied for and received to support provisions here at Moredon. There are several events ongoing during the winter months, but as daylight is reducing now all events need to take place during the daytime as we don't have lights on the BMX track. The football is at 95% occupancy.	

	Cllr J Yeowell asked about car parking facilities here for large events. Mr M Gleed expressed concern that more parking is needed. The Grants Manager is looking to find funding to create extra parking. Mr M Gleed explained there is a new MSH Finance Admin and Duty Manager starting soon. We hope to work with the local College to gain some voluntary workers who wish to gain work experience in various areas. We are providing lots of support groups for various members of the parish who are in need in support. Groups like ladies who have been victims of modern-day slavery, older residents to help them make new friends and get out and about more and young people with different disabilities. RESOLVED Councillors NOTED the update.	
CD142	Events Working Group Update Mr A Webb gave a verbal update on a written report. Silver Saturday Event is the following Saturday and is usually well attended. The Christmas Winter Wonderland event will be using farm animals during the event as reindeer are very expensive. Councillors NOTED the update.	
CD143	Community & Youth Officer Update Mr A Webb gave a verbal update from a written report. See Appendix 2. Councillors NOTED the update.	
CD144	Marketing, Literacy & Digital Services Manager Mr A Cripps gave a verbal update. Cllr J Grotzinger laptop will be ready soon for her to use. The majority of Mr A Cripps work this month has been in relation to Moredon Sporting Hub IT needs. Councillors NOTED the verbal update.	

CD145	Community Centre Manager Mrs L Whatley gave a verbal update from a written report. See Appendix 3. Councillors NOTED the update.	
CD146	Local Charity Partnership Mr A Webb presented an update. See Appendix 4. Cllr J Yeowell asked if we could connect them with the Pride of the Parish. Mr A Webb explained it wouldn't be for 2025, but possibly in 2026. Cllr P Park noted that at Haydon Wick they have a charity sponsorship on a yearly basis. Cllr J Yeowell asked what the vetting process was. Cllr P Park explained that the Finance Officers do the research into the viability and validity of the charities. Mr A Webb mentioned he would like to see charities based in our Parish area. Cllr J Yeowell recommended to start research into doing a partnership with a charity in our Parish each year. RESOLVED Councillors AGREED to start the research into doing a partnership with a charity in our Parish each year.	
CD147	Food Delivery Mr A Webb presented an update. See Appendix 5. Cllr J Grotzinger asked who would prepare the food. Mr A Webb explained we have chefs already employed who can prepare the food, or we can extend their working hours to cover the need. Mr A Webb explained we will need an initial startup fund to cover ingredients and delivery drivers etc.	

	Cllr P Park stated this is a wonderful idea and would give us the ability to provide help to vulnerable residents. Cllr J Yeowell asked about the menu, transport and initial costs. Mr A Webb explained the meals would be kept simple but hearty. The van we already have would be cleaned up to make it safe and clean and the driver would be qualified and insured. Cllr J Grotzinger asked about the minibus. Mr A Webb explained that many different plans were in place to get better usage from the Parish minibus. Mr A Webb recommended that further research be done and an updated report to be brought to another meeting. RESOLVED Councillors AGREED that further research be done and an updated report to be brought to another meeting.	
CD148	Moredon Track Toilet Cllr J Yeowell presented a recommendation that a disability friendly toilet be provided outside for all year-round use. Mr A Webb suggested taking this issue to FGP to find funding to build one. While this was being researched the Parish could look at providing a temporary one until a permanent structure can be acquired. RESOLVED Councillors AGREED to look into providing an outside toilet at Moredon Sporting Hub for the other side of the playing fields.	
Meeting Closed 20:13		

Signed.....

Date.....05/11/2024

