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Central Swindon North Parish Council

Moredon Sporting Hub,

Cheney Manor Industrial Estate,

SWINDON SN2 2QJ

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 2nd September 2026 19.30

Present:	
Councillors:	Cllr Vanessa Bentley (Chair) - virtually Cllr Joy Grotzinger (Vice Chair) - virtually Cllr Paul Exell Cllr Dave Patey Cllr Caitlin Pinks Cllr Josh Woods
Clerk:	Mr Andy Reeves (Parish Clerk)
Officers:	Miss Camille Clarke (Community Engagement Officer) Mrs Louise Whatley (Community Centres Manager) Mr Aaron Cripps (Marketing, Literacy & Digital Systems Manager) - virtually Miss Rachel Westcott (Committee & Finance Administrator) - virtually
Member of the Public Present: none	
Apologies	Cllr Ana Fernandes Cllr Muhammad Khan

		Action
CD-2026.26	**Declarations of Interest** None	
CD-2026.27	**Public Questions & Public Correspondence** None **RESOLVED** to **NOTE**	
CD-2026.28	**Care Commissioning** Mr A Reeves presented an update from a written report. See attachment CD-2026.28. Councillors discussed the request. Cllr J Woods enquired about costs to residents. Mr A Reeves explained this would be aimed at those with lower income and less assets. Cllr V Bentley wondered if Miss C Clarke had heard anything from residents about care while she was talking to residents. Miss C Clarke explained that this was something she could include in future conversations. Cllr C Pinks asked about posters to make residents aware. Cllr D Patey approved of the response. Cllr V Bentley mentioned using the Parishes social media to inform residents. She proposed approving the response presented. **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** responding to the Care Commission letter.	Mr A Reeves to respond to the Care Commission letter.
CD-2026.29	**Charity & Parish Vision** Cllr V Bentley proposed deferring this agenda item until the next meeting. **RESOLVED** to **APPROVED**	
CD-2026.30	**Pride in Place Update** Miss C Clarke presented an update from a written report.	

	See attachment CD-2026.30. Councillors discussed the update and Pride in Place voting. **RESOLVED** to **NOTE**	
CD-2026.31	**Community Centre Manager Update** See attachment CD-2026.31. **RESOLVED** to **NOTE**	
CD-2026.32	**Marketing, Literacy and Digital Systems Manager** Mr A Cripps presented a verbal update. L&LT has been working with an organisation called New Elements to provide science activities for residents in the libraries during the summer holidays. Penhill always high attendance for activities. The libraries are running smoothly, and it has been quite quiet during the holidays. Cllr D Patey thanked Mr A Cripps for investigating the possibility of doing something with the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Mr A Cripps explained that funds and staffing are not sufficient at this time to participate in this venture. **RESOLVED** to **NOTE**	
CD-2026.33	**Budget Report** Councillors reviewed the 26/27 Budget. Cllr D Patey enquired when Committees would request their budget for 2027/28. Mr A Reeves explained that would be commencing over the next few months and presented to FGP in October. **RESOLVED** to **NOTE**	
CD-2026.34	**Actions Noted** • Cllr V Bentley requested adding an action for Mr A Cripps to add information onto the website about the Care Commission to hear residents' thoughts. **RESOLVED** to **NOTE**	

	Meeting Closed 20:14	

Signed..... Date 14/10/2026.