# CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL

**COMMUNITY WELLBEING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6th April 2022 7.30pm at the Pinehurst Reading Rooms & Zoom link.

**Present** Cllr W Stone

**Virtual** Cllr P. Exell

Cllr D. Patey

Cllr M Beale Cllr J. Yeowell

**Officers** A Reeves (Parish Clerk)

M Johnston

A Cripps

A Briggs

**Public Questions**

None Received.

# Apologies

Cllr S Exell

# Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation

Cllr Beale declared an interest in the Penhill Orchard.

Cllr Stone declared an interest in the Des Moffatt Western Community Centre as a Trustee

**Libraries Update**

The Libraries Manager circulated a written report shown as Appendix A which Councillors noted.

Cllr J Yeowell asked if the local author attended the book signing event. The Libraries Manager confirmed it did and Jessica the Author was happy with the event. Cllr J Yeowell asked if other book signing events could take place in the future.

The Estates Manager asked about an update on the Citizens Advice Bureau satellite scheme. The Libraries Manager confirmed that a CAB site visit took place today but there was no equipment installed. This will be installed in the coming weeks.

The Clerk asked if the Walking For Health Programme had progressed. The Libraries Manager confirmed this is being managed by the Community & Youth Officer.

Cllr D Patey asked if the network capacity was sufficient to accommodate additional bandwidth use. The Libraries Manager confirmed that the system will be linked to the network not Wi-Fi.

Cllr P Exell asked for an update on Craft Corner and the making of Ceramic Gnomes. The Libraries Manager confirmed he would find out how many attended.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillors **NOTE** the report from the Libraries Manager.

**Neighbourhood Planning & Heritage Grant**

For personal reasons the Grants Manager had to attend a family emergency this morning and is unable to login remotely. The Clerk presented the written report on her behalf shown as Appendix B.

Cllr M Beale supports the Heritage Grant and having read the conditions was reassured that the community and youth as a core engagement requirement is something the Council should embrace.

Cllr J Yeowell noted we should engage with the Wiltshire & Berkshire Canal Trust and noted local Suffragettes.

Cllr P Exell pressed the urgency as the closing date is May. Consultation should start immediately.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillors **NOTE** the report from the Grants Manager

**Ukrainian Appeal Fund**

The Libraries Manager provided a verbal update on the Parish Ukrainian Appeal Fund. The Libraries Manager confirmed the Park Run Event has taken place, the St Marks Tennis Tournament and Quiz Night will take place this weekend.

The Parish Council have so far raised around £750.00. The Libraries Manager noted the Clerk raised £100.00 alone at the Park Run event and thanked him and others for turning up on the day.

A final amount will be updated to Councillors at the next meeting.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillors **NOTE** the verbal update from the Libraries Manager.

**Community Centre Manager Update**

The Community Centre Manager presented a written report shown as Appendix C.

Cllr D Patey asked if the Church Group are linked to the Pinetrees users. The Community Centre manager advised they were a new group and are currently located in Hinton Parva which was too far.

Cllr D Patey asked why SBC fixed the Pinetrees Boiler. The Estates Manager confirmed that the lease was a maintenance lease so SBC were still responsible. There is a ten year warranty on the new boilers.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillors **NOTE** the written report from the Centre Manager.

**Website & Bookings**

The Estates Manager provided a written update shown as Appendix D.

Cllr D Patey asked which languages could be included. The Clerk advised that Central Government guidance would be sought in this instance.

The Clerk pressed the point on the importance of branding and consistency through all our online booking systems.

Cllr J Yeowell asked about Colours. Cllr J Yeowell asked about whether the green logo is visually impaired complaint. The Clerk advised the cube is available in varying formats.

Cllr J Yeowell discussed the importance of ensuring Operation London Bridge is adhered to.

Cllr D Patey asked about payment fees and if all quotes include payment fees. The Estates Manager confirmed there is a charge of between 2-5% as a merchant fee.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillors **APPROVE** Clearwater as the most cost-effective tender to Full Council.

To budget from underspend in 2021/22 and external funding should be sought as a priority first.

Annual renewal fees will need to be included in future revenue budgets for Full Council Approval.

**Jubilee Event**

The Centre Manager confirmed the external event Grant Funding of £9,000 had been successful and explained in detail the types of community events that will be available.

The Clerk confirmed that the Centre Manager will navigate the ESAG process as a priority.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillors **NOTED** the report.

**Meeting concluded at 20.38**