

**SOUTH WOODHAM FERRERS TOWN COUNCIL
EVENTS COMMUNITY& LEISURE COMMITTEE**

MINUTES of a Meeting held at Champions Manor Hall on Tuesday
21st March 2023 at 7.30pm

Present

Councillor Crosbie (Chairman)

Councillor Eley
Councillor Kelly

Councillor Sherlock
Councillor Perham Lake

Councillor Massey
Councillor Wilson

In attendance: Town Clerk and one member of the public

ECL96 Apologies for Absence

Apologies of absence were received from Councillors A A Humphrey, A Humphrey & John

ECL97 Dispensation Considerations

No dispensation considerations received.

ECL98 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest received.

ECL99 Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the Events, Community & Leisure meeting held on 21st February 2023 were **APPROVED** as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed: Councillor Kelly

Seconded: Councillor Wilson

Vote: Carried

ECL100 Public Questions

One member of public from the Health & Social Group requested to comment on Agenda Item 7 Health & Social Care Report.

ECL101 Budgetary Position

The current budgetary position as of 15 March 2023 attached to the agenda was noted.

Proposed: Councillor Kelly

Seconded: Councillor Eley

Vote: Carried

ECL102 Health & Social Care Report

The report was noted and received by the committee.

The Integrated Care Board and Integrated Care Partnership have approved the various strategies to enable more effective engagement to happen going forward.

The first engagement meeting with Mid Essex Alliance is scheduled for 22nd March 2023.

SWFHSC group to talk to EALC to involve more local towns and parishes.

A student is progressing with a review of the Dengie and South Woodham Primary care network and that should be completed May/ June 2023.

A productive meeting was held with MP John Whittingdale however last week integrated care system needs to save 30% budgets over two years starting April 23.

Chelmsford Cultural strategy was launched last week. Meeting to be arranged with Cllr Crosbie and Humphrey. Schools to be involved.

Annual Town Meeting was good suggest to committee to recognise the efforts for all the essential workers during Covid.

Covid infections are high with 1 in 40 being infected.

Critical care has improved with all hospitals but the problem with blocked beds remains. GPs are seeing more patients face to face pre covid.

ECL103 WAA Woodham Allotment Association

Committee received and **NOTED** the well-prepared AGM minutes and Year End Report 2022 attached to the agenda.

ECP104 Youth Club

YMCA Essex Youth Team works across Essex with young people aged 10-17. They provide informal education through sports, arts and crafts, enrichment activities etc and aim to build confidence and self-esteem of young people and increase positive relationships between young people and their local community. YMCA believe every young person should belong, contribute and thrive.

Proposal: Committee discussed the attached costs and report from YMCA to reopen a youth club in the town. Option 2 was the chosen option £7,725 + venue hire, 40 weeks per year (term time only) 3 youth workers, maximum 40 young people, 3 hours face to face, 1 hour plan and prep (for one youth worker).

Proposed: Councillor Eley

Seconded: Councillor Kelly

Vote: Carried

Proposal: Town Clerk to calculate a total cost figure including hall hire. This will be discussed and agreed at the Finance & Projects meeting on 18th April 2023.

Proposed: Councillor Massey

Seconded: Councillor Eley

Vote: Carried

ECP105 Naming of The Uniformed Youth Road

The Town Clerk updated the committee that the SWF youth groups unanimously agreed in favour to name the track leading off Creekview and Broughton Road to the huts as Salthaven Road.

Proposal: To accept the chosen name by the Youth Groups.

Proposed: Councillor Crosbie

Seconded: Councillor Massey

Vote: Carried

ECP106 Items Noted

- **Cinema Club:** Cinema Club 12/4/23 film is Angela's Ashes.
- **Jubilee Bench:** Placed at the Garden of Remembrance.
- **Jubilee Walk.** A walk with Councillors will be arranged by the Town Clerk/Officer in the Spring 2023. Following this the Jubilee map will be updated.
- **Play in the Park** dates for Summer 2023 are booked for the 2nd,7th,18th & 22nd August 2023 in Saltcoats park.
- **Kings Coronation Events 2023** agreed details booked. Budget agreed by Finance & Projects Committee. Advertising for events on going.
- **Events working Party – Youth week** – A date has been set for the first working party meeting.

ECP107 Local vendors Event

Committee discussed the idea and location for a pop-up event for local small businesses and vendors to raise community awareness in South Woodham Ferrers

Proposal: Committee are open to the idea and holding the event at Champions Manor Hall but would suggest the first option is to approach the Oaklands and enquire to use Market Square.

Proposed: Councillor Eley

Seconded: Councillor Wilson

Vote: Carried

8.35pm one member of public leaves the meeting.

ECP108 Christmas Lights

The Town Clerk gave a presentation of tenders for a new Christmas Lights contract.

Proposal: To remain with our Christmas Lights Contractor LITE for a further 3-year contract 2023-2025 with the existing display and revisit adding more decorations including Trinity Square area at a later date.

Proposed: Councillor Sherlock

Seconded: Councillor Kelly

Vote: Carried

ECL109 Report to Council

- Christmas Lights
- Naming of the Uniform Youth Road

ECL110 Media Coverage

- Coronation events
- Play In the Park summer 2023.

ECL111 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Events Community & Leisure Committee will be held on 23rd May 2023 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Signed.....

Date: 06th June 2023

Chairman of the Meeting