

Wheatley Parish Council Wellbeing Committee Minutes

Monday 7th March 2022 at 2pm

Present: Cllrs Ramsdale (PR), Sercombe (AS), Willmott (Chair) (PW)

Officer: Michelle Legg (Clerk)

Members of Public: 3*

Meeting opened at 14:00 and closed at 15:10

- 43. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Cllr Cooper were accepted and approved
- 44. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - None
- 45. TO RECEIVE MINUTES FROM MEETING 11TH NOVEMBER 2022** were signed, by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.
- 46. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON RECENT ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES**
- i) Wheatley Information Booklet needs one final check before being sent to the printers.
 - ii) Funding Opportunities – OCC Cllr Bearder had shown keenness to financially support the Community Larder with a storage shed.
 - iii) Community Emergency Plan – meeting to be arranged
 - iv) Youth Club – OPA were unsuccessful in receiving their full grant allocation from SODC, but funds will support the Play and Activity Day. Suggested that the council allocated funds dedicated for this in their 2023-24 budget.
 - v) Other activities
 - Play and Activity Day – 16th July. Clerk has spoken to OPA to try and arrange an online meeting. Volunteers have come forward to help with refreshments and Clerk has started to hear back from some organisations who are interested in being an activity provider.
 - Cuppa, cake and chat event – committee keen to reinstate these and agreed for the Clerk to find a suitable date in April and to arrange a Platinum Jubilee themed event for Thursday 2nd June.
 - Platinum Jubilee- Parish Council are looking to arrange a community picnic on Sun 5th June, more details to be shared.
St Mary’s are arranging a Caleigh on Sat 4th June.
Clerk to call for other celebration details to be included in a feature of Wheatley News
 - Walking football – Clerk has chased
 - Rugby club is looking at variations of the game to provide opportunities to the community.
- 47. TO DISCUSS PROGRESS OF COMMUNITY LARDER/FRIDGE**
Positive steps have been made in bringing the scheme to the village. Working group have met with three different community larder/fridges and have a meeting with SOFEA (over arching organisation) planned. The information from this will help the group put a plan in place to hopefully start in April 2022.
- 48. TO INVITE REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMUNITY GROUPS TO SPEAK ON HEALTH AND WELLBEING ISSUES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY**
Good Neighbour Scheme have been looking at ways to support vulnerable residents with their heating costs. Details of grants are being shared and will be sent for inclusion in Wheatley News.

Age UK, Good Neighbourhood Scheme and Wheatley Society have arranged a joint meeting on Tuesday 5th April at 2.30pm and will be open to the whole community.

Discussion took place around evidencing inputs. organisations involved will be able to provide some figures, but attendance at events and organisations will demonstrate support.

49. TO DISCUSS COMMUNITY SUPPORT DURING THE SPRING

Nothing specific beyond items already discussed

53. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND ITEMS NEEDING URGENT ATTENTION -

None

54. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION - none

Committee was asked about supporting Ukrainian refugees. unfortunately, local councils are not legally able to make donations to organisations outside of the UK, but the parish council has and will continue to share details of opportunities for the community to support refugees.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – TBC

*Organisations represented: Wheatley Society, Good Neighbour Scheme, St Mary's Church, Community Fridge Working Group.