



Meeting (No) **Community & Environment Committee (12)**  
Time & Date **6pm, 12 April 2022**  
Place **Neston Town Hall**  
Document **Minutes**

**Present:** Cllrs Marple (Chair), Davies (from item 159c), Hinks (from item 162), Kynaston, Samuel and Wastell *Cllr Griffiths B.M.M.*

**In attendance:** Miss A Duncan (Governance & Operations Manager), CWaC Cllr Barker and two residents

### **PART 1: Items considered in the presence of the press and public**

#### **153 Questions and comments from residents**

There were no questions or comments.

#### **154 Apologies for absence**

No apologies were received. The absence of Cllr Jackson was noted.

#### **155 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Kynaston declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 160e by virtue of being associated with Ness Neighbours.

Cllr Wastell declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 160e by virtue of being associated with Ness Neighbours.

Cllr Griffiths declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 159c by virtue of being a member of CH64 Age Matters.

#### **156 Minutes of the last meeting**

**RESOLVED** to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Community & Environment Committee meeting held on 01.03.22. The Chair signed the minutes.

#### **157 Governance & Operations Manager's report**

The Committee received the Governance & Operations Manager's report and noted that the allotment tenancy renewal system had been renewed at a cost of \$108 USD and that this was fractionally more than the £80 agreed on 01/03/22 (minute 142b) due to the exchange rate on the renewal date.

#### **158 Committee budget**

The Committee budget and earmarked reserves were considered. No changes were made.

#### **159 Grants**

- a An update on the status of current grant awards (report CE12/159a) was noted.
- b **RESOLVED** to provide grant of £2,500 to Little Actors to support the Little Actors 2022-23 season of theatre.

Cllr Davies joined the meeting.

- c **RESOLVED** to provide a grant application of £429 to CH64 Age Matters for the purchase of a laptop.

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## 160 The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations

- a An oral update was received from the Jubilee Task & Finish Group and it was noted that discussions were ongoing with Little Neston Methodist Church about planting of a tree in the grassed area alongside the church as part of The Queen's Green Canopy.

It was agreed that any groups receiving Jubilee donations should be asked to emphasise sustainability during the planning of their events to minimise waste being sent to landfill.

- b **RESOLVED** to produce an editorial on About My Area publicising the various Jubilee events at a cost of £65+VAT (EMR 339).
- c **RESOLVED** to provide a donation of £6,000 to Hip & Harmony towards the cost of producing a Big Jubilee Lunch in Stanney Fields Park (EMR 339).
- d **RESOLVED** to provide a donation of £600 to a group of Parkgate residents towards the cost of a Jubilee street party in Mostyn Square (EMR 339).
- e **RESOLVED** to provide a donation of £500 to Ness Neighbours towards the cost of a Jubilee-themed coffee-morning (EMR 339).

## 161 Community event donations

The Committee considered a breakdown of costs from Hip & Harmony for Ladies Day 2022 entertainment.

**RESOLVED** to approve a payment of £3,593.65 from budget 4363 (community event donations) to Hip & Harmony for the provision of entertainment for Ladies Day 2022.

Cllr Hinks joined the meeting.

## 162 Planning application

The Committee reviewed planning application [22/00766/OUT](#), The Paddock, Lees Lane, Little Neston – replace existing buildings with new bungalow. It was decided not to submit a comment to the Planning Authority.

## 163 Neston Looking Better Group

Notes of the Neston Looking Better Group meeting held on 10.02.22 were received.

## 164 Allotments

**RESOLVED** to continue the contract with CWaC to provide vermin monitoring and control at the Raby Park Road allotment site for a further 12 months commencing 24/06/22 at a maximum annual cost of £250+VAT.

## 165 Village Fair (Town Council Stand) Task and Finish Group

It was noted that the Task and Finish Group had not yet met.

## 166 Christmas lights 2022

**RESOLVED** to establish a task and finish group to investigate options for creating a Christmas decorative scheme for 2022 and that engagement with the community (residents, businesses and non-profit organisations) should be integral to the planning process. It was decided to email all councillors to ask for volunteers to work as part of the group.

## 167 Parkgate noticeboard

A proposal that Parkgate Society replaced the existing Parkgate noticeboard was deferred until a future meeting.

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**168 Neighbourhood Plan Task & Finish Group**

- a The Committee revisited the remit and membership of the Neighbourhood Plan Task & Finish Group.

**RESOLVED** that the Neighbourhood Plan Task & Finish Group should be renamed Local Heritage List Task & Finish Group with the remit to ensure that the locally listed buildings and structures detailed in the Neighbourhood Plan correspond with the local heritage list and to assess the potential for further additions to the local heritage list. To report findings to the Community and Environment Committee.

- b **RESOLVED** that Cllrs Hinks and Kynaston would attend the NALC Neighbourhood Planning Policies seminar on 29 June and report back to the Community & Environment Committee.
- c An oral update was received on progress towards updating the local heritage list. It was noted that three councillors had conducted a walking tour of Neston with CWaC's Built Environment Officer (Conservation and Design). The Built Environment Officer considered that there were a number of structures missing from the current list that should be added and he intended to investigate this further. Upon completion of this investigation, residents would be given the opportunity to make recommendations for other buildings to be added to the list.

**169 Date of next meeting**

It was noted that the date of the next Community & Environment Committee meeting would be decided at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

The meeting closed at 6.55pm.

Signed Brenda M. Morple Date 21/6/22