

DAVENTRY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Services Committee held at 3, New Street, Daventry on Monday 6th April 2021 at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr Lynne Taylor – Chair

Councillors:
Mike Arnold
Dawn Branigan
Matthew Churchley
Maureen Luke
Peter Luke
Malcolm Ogle
John Tippet
Katie Thurston
Karen Tweedale

IN ATTENDANCE: Deborah Jewell – Chief Officer (CO)

0 Member of the press
1 Members of the public

OPEN FORUM

A resident wanted to praise the work of the Community Ranger and the work she has done throughout the year, especially in relation to managing and advising on COVID-19 guidelines.

The resident also asked if the call points in car parks were able to be reinstated, and if they could be used to contact the Community Ranger. The Chief Officer advised that they were non-operational prior to transfer of the CCTV system and they were previously a 24/7 operation and monitored by an external company and as the car parks are owned by West Northamptonshire Council, they would be the authority that would have the remit to reinstate.

CS2102.1 APOLOGIES.

Apologies received from Cllr Fox.

CS2102.2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests declared.

CS2102.3 MINUTES

RESOLVED:	The Minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 18 th January 2021, having been circulated, be approved and signed as a correct record (Appendix 01)
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CS2102.4 COMMITTEE BUDGET.

Report received.

CS2102.5 WAR MEMORIAL.

Cllr Ogle updated members on progress on the project, advising that three companies had quoted, and these had been submitted to the War Memorials Trust with a caveat that the full cost of the works would not be known until the war memorial had been cleaned. Once the memorial had been cleaned it would need to be reassessed on further works required to restore and we would then need to reapply.

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The Chair asked if monies were available to carry out the works. The Chief Officer advised that monies had been earmarked for the restoration of the war memorial, but it was unlikely it would fund all the works required.

Cllr Churchley suggested monies donated by Cllr Arnold could be earmarked for this project.

CS2102.6 LITTER CAMPAIGN.

Members noted the report and the uptake from the community as volunteer litter pickers. The difference was noticeable throughout the town.

The CO advised that plans were in place to recommence the community litter picks and plans were in place to distribute the kits at these events to restrict the number of kits currently being distributed.

CS2102.7 TOWN EVENTS.

Members noted the report and work being done to continue to engage in spite of restrictions caused by COVID-19 regulations.

CS2102.8 COMMUNICATION.

Members noted website and social media report.

CS2102.9 CORRESPONDENCE.

Members were advised that an email had been received asking to submit their concerns to this committee re CCTV and coverage in the subway from Abbey Street to Norton Road. The CO advised that she had responded with information relating to CCTV advising that the Council had invested £34k in the financial year 2020/21 and work was continuing to identify need and investment required.

CS2102.10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING. 17th May 2021.

Signed 

Date 5.07.21.