Frodsham Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of
The Community Committee
held on Tuesday 12 January 2016 at 7pm
In the Town Council Office, Castle Park, Frodsham

Present: Cllrs Pusey (Chair), Collins-Doyle, Jones, Oulton & Sutton

Meeting 8

No	Item	Note/Decision/ Action
138	**Apologies for absence**	Cllr Ashton, Brown & Pennington. Also Cllr Knowles is unable to attend on Tuesday evenings due to a family commitment.
139	**Declarations of Interest**	None
140	**Minutes of Meeting 7**	These were agreed and signed.
141	**Opportunity for Public to Speak**	None.
142	**New Homes Bonus Community Fund 2015-16**	Following discussion it was agreed that the Clerk would complete and return the form.
143	**Public Signage**	The location signs have been ordered and should be here in 2-3 weeks. The Facilities Manager will erect them. The Clerk also reported that she had ordered another sign for £25+VAT to advise people not to park in the turning area between Castle Park House and Footman's Cottage.
144	**Play Areas**	*1. Churchfields* – a complaint had been received from a resident about the old equipment being left after the new equipment was completed. The general view was that there was greater public benefit from the equipment being left and that the Clerk would talk to the PCSO about the teenage nuisance. It was agreed to continue with the refurbishments. *2. Townfield Lane* – There may be the need to carry out further minor improvements whilst options are considered for the provision of play areas in that area.
145	**Hedge at St Laurence's Church Car Park**	It was agreed in principle to work with the Church to strengthen the boundary between the car park & Churchfields. The Facilities Manager will look at options and a report will be brought back to the next meeting.
146	**Allotments**	Cllr Sutton & Collins-Doyle would like to join Cllr Brown but it would need to be at the weekend. The Clerk will contact the Allotment Association to get another date.
147	**Castle Park House**	It was agreed that organising a celebration of the re-opening of the House should be referred to Castle Park Trust.
148	**Over 70's Vouchers**	The final number of vouchers issued was 960. (Addendum should say 910).
149	**Commonwealth Day 2016**	It has not been possible to book the community centre for the event. There had been a poor response from schools. It was agreed not to progress with the event this year but the Clerk would contact the National Pageantmaster to ask for the date in 2017 so we could book the Community Centre well in advance.
150	**Manley Road Copse Lease**	No progress.

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151	**Beacon Lighting April 2016**	1. Beacon - It was agreed to purchase new gas beacon at £299+VAT. **EP1** 2. Event Planning - It was agreed to refer this to the Communication Committee to lead on but members would welcome a joint Working Group to organise the event.
152	**Flagpole**	CWAC have approached HLF for permission for the flagpole but there has been no response to date.
153	**Constitutional & Ceremonial**	Mayoral Robes – the Clerk had received 2 quotations both around £2k. The suggested budget allocation for 16-17 (next financial year) had included this but that had been cut during the recent budget setting discussions to keep the precept as low as possible. After further discussion it was agreed that this shouldn't be progressed during this financial year either due to financial constraints. The costs should not come out of the precept but if funding became available, from events, further consideration could be given.
154	**Clerk's updates**	None.
155	**Next meeting**	9 February 2016 7pm

Meeting ended 8.20pm

EP1: It was agreed to purchase new gas beacon at £299+VAT.

Signed_____ **Dated**_____

Committee Members: Cllr L Brown (Chair), Cllr M Pusey (Deputy-Chair), Cllr C Ashton, Cllr F Pennington, Cllr F Sutton (Mayor), Cllr C Collins-Doyle, Cllr A Oulton, Cllr L Jones & Cllr R Knowles

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