



**MINUTES OF A COMMUNITY CARE COMMITTEE MEETING OF
ALCESTER TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER
2015 AT THE JUBILEE CENTRE, ST.FAITHS ROAD, ALCESTER**

Present

Cllr C. Brannigan, Cllr J Styles, Cllr G. Forman, Cllr L Cumberbatch,
Cllr A Foster, Mr C. Wright, Mrs J Theobald

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mayor Cllr C. Neal-Sturgess, Cllr M.
Cargill, Cllr A Brown,

2. Declaration of Interest

None received.

3. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 September 2015 had been
approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. Reports from Complementary ATC Trusts and Boards

4.1 Alcester Community Trust

On 11 October 500 runners took part in the Town's first 10k
race, which was sponsored by SECO, and initial feedback has
been very positive. A vote of thanks was given to Cllr
Cumberbatch and members of the Community Trust for
organising the event.

Alcester High Street has received a 'Rising Star' award and
£1000 in a national competition to find the best high street. It is
among the country's 30 top high streets and one of only three in
the West Midlands. Alcester was praised for its Artisan Market,
regular street parties and many independent stores.

The Community Trust is planning two major events in 2016 to
raise funds to support local Dementia programmes.

The volunteering event planned for the end of October has been
delayed until next year and a joint working party of the Town
Council, Chamber of Trade and Court Leet will be set up to co-
ordinate the activity.

4.2 Health & Wellbeing Trust

The next meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board is on 2
November. The Clerk has met with the Age UK befriending co-
ordinator who has been invited to attend the next meeting.

A grant application to VASA for digital equipment is being prepared.

5. Reports from Community Care Subcommittees

5.1 Business & Tourism Support

5.1.1 Business

Currently there is a healthy occupation of the High Street's shops and public houses.

5.1.2 Tourism

CLA has given notice that the Game Fair, scheduled to return to Ragley next year, has been cancelled because of recent loss of numbers attending.

Review and editing of the Town Guide will be done through the Communications sub-committee.

5.2 Community Safety

5.2.1 Speed Aware

Cllr Foster has met with PC Essex regarding training in the use of speed guns and past volunteers have agreed to continue with the speed aware programme. Publicity to recruit additional volunteers will be put on the Town's website.

5.2.2 Flooding

Once the Community Safety subcommittee has been re-established, the chair of the National Flood Forum will be invited to give a talk and work will begin on the Environmental Agency's Community Flood Plan.

5.3 Young People's Services

5.3.1 Youth Council

The next Youth Council meeting will be held on 14 October in the Depot. Invitations have been sent to pupils from St. Benedict's and Alcester Academy. Suggestions for this year's project will be discussed, possibly linking into the Health & Wellbeing programme. The Youth Council will also be given the opportunity to comment on the Young People's Services Terms of Reference.

6. Review of the Community Care Committee's role

6.1 Remit & Strategies of the Committee

No comment had been received on the draft Remit circulated by Cllr Brannigan so it will be taken as agreed.

Funding for a defibrillator has been donated by the High Bailiff and users of the Jubilee Centre. A plaque will be hung next to the defibrillator acknowledging the benefactors.

It was noted that some Community Care projects weren't discussed with the Committee before action was taken. Cllr Brannigan explained that it was difficult to bring projects with a short lead-in time to the Committee and the Town Council had to maximise any opportunity that arose to support the Health & Wellbeing programme.

7. Correspondence

None received

8. Proposition to Full Council

None

6 Date and Time of next meeting

Tuesday 10 November 2015 at 7pm in the Jubilee Centre.