



ALCESTER TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A COMMUNITY CARE COMMITTEE MEETING OF ALCESTER TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 14 JULY 2020

Following the instructions of the prime Minister's address on 23 March 2020, all Town Council meetings will be held remotely until further notice.

Alcester Town Council will be using Zoom software to facilitate the holding of meetings. All meetings will be recorded using the Zoom software.

Participating:

Cllr. K Cargill, Cllr G. Forman, Cllr A. Foster, Cllr C. Neal-Sturgess, Cllr E. Randle; Cllr D. Henderson, Cllr V. Blake, Mrs V. Lowe Town Clerk, Mrs J Theobald, Committee Clerk

1. Apologies

Cllr K. Forbes

2. Declaration of Interest

Cllr G. Forman and Cllr V. Blake declared an interest in the Community Grant for the Town Hall and will not take part or vote on the decision.

3. Community Grants for 2020

The outstanding decisions on Community Grants were reviewed and outcomes were agreed subject to updates from applicants on their current circumstances and need.

4. Youth Club

The Youth Club has been closed during lockdown.

Issues over inadequate insurance and Health and Safety requirements will need to be resolved before the youth club can be reopened. The Town Council would like the youth club to continue at their premises and are committed to training of volunteers, DBS checks and other associated costs but have not got the resources to run the Youth Club. The current lead volunteer does not want to take on any further responsibility but applications for insurance and funding is not possible without a named leader. The Town Clerk has sought advice from Warwickshire County Council and the lead of Henley Youth Club on what is obligatory to reinstate a youth club. Enquiries are to be made to find a volunteer who will take on the appropriate level of responsibility and Cllr Henderson agreed to assist Cllr Forbes in taking forward reformation of the youth club.

5. Elephant WiFi

Cllr Foster gave a brief overview of the Elephant Wifi which was installed several years ago with funding from Warwickshire Country Council. Geosense technology collects information through mobile devices on the number of visitors and provides a means of promoting further events in Alcester.

Cllr Foster met with WCC and representative from Elephant Wifi to discuss reinstating the system. The cost of reconnection is £60 per month with an additional cost of £170 for targeted marketing. Geosence offered an online demonstration but the price was not negotiable. After discussion the Committee agreed that the benefits did not justify the costs and that Elephant Wifi would not be renewed. The Clerk is to make enquiries for the resale of the equipment.

Proposition to Full Council – None

Date and Time of Next Meeting

To be confirmed.