



Minutes of the Bradford on Avon Town Council
Community & Recreation Committee
Held at Town Council offices, St Margaret's Hall, Bradford on Avon
On 29th May 2019 at 7pm

Present:

Cllr D Newton (Leader of the Council)
Cllr M Roberts
Cllr S McNeill- Ritchie
Cllr E Franklin (Chairman)
Cllr J Parker
Cllr D Garwood (in attendance)
Ian Brown (Operations Manager)
Sarah Hawkins (Accounts Officer)

Members of the Public: 2

Apologies: Cllr J Lynch, Cllr A Kay, Cllr D Taylor

82. Minutes

It was proposed by Cllr D Newton and seconded by Cllr M Roberts and with all in favour, it was **RESOLVED:** to accept the minutes of the last meeting held on the 19th March 2019.

83. Declarations of interest

Cllr M Roberts declared a non-pecuniary interest due to membership of the lions who are applying for a grant.

Cllr S McNeill-Ritchie declared a non-pecuniary interest due to member of the U3A photography group who are applying for a grant.

84. Chairman's Report

The Chairman presented her report (attached) highlighting some of the outstanding pieces of work and events that have been achieved plus those coming up.

The Chairman asked Cllr J Parker to update how party in the park went on Saturday 25th May. Cllr J Parker reported that it was a well-attended event, with the public coming and going all day and that it had good weather. The ice cream man had donated £60 and the tombola and raffle had generated £200 which was going to Dementia Action Alliance (DAA), which doesn't normally fundraise, however the Area Board has informed them that it will no longer fund the DAA.

Cllr J Parker also announced that the Men's Shed project is having a launch meeting on the 28th June 2019 at 6.00pm in the Coach House at The Swan.

85. Members to elect a Vice Chairman

The Chairman asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman of this Committee. Cllr D Newton proposed Cllr J Parker, Cllr S McNeill-Ritchie seconded, there were no other nominations, Cllr J Parker was appointed Vice-Chairman of this committee.

86. Youth Strategy

The committee discussed the youth service update report from Community Family Care (CFC). It was noted that the service was meeting expectations. That in the wider community area CFC would be working with Parish Councils to develop the service in their areas. There is a growth in the outreach work, with the key activity of attracting those that are in danger of falling into anti-social behaviour. The committee felt there was good data which would be helpful for service development.

It was recognised that a number of the older young people were coming through, showing leadership skills and wanting to get more involved.

Cllr D Newton is meeting with the Rotary Club and the two youth leaders to discuss an initiative that the Rotary Club could support.

87. Non-Councillor membership

Following a brief discussion, members agreed that a non-councillor member was not required, and that the committee would be engaged with all members of the public.

88. Grants

The committee considered the grant applications to the Town Council. These have been discussed at the Grant Advisory Panel on the 23rd May 2019 and recommendations made to the committee.

	Project Title	Amount £	Recommendation
(i)	Children's mini book festival	£300	Support in principle – forward to CWLPEC
(ii)	Bradford on Avon sports club	£3,936.17	No award
(iii)	Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre (Wessex) Ltd	£750	Award
(iv)	Lions	£110	Award
(v)	Relate Wiltshire & Somerset	£938	No award
(vi)	U3A Photography group	£200	Award

The committee discussed the applications and then it was proposed by Cllr J Parker and seconded by Cllr D Newton and with all in favour, it was **RESOLVED:** to award grants in line with the Grant Advisory Panel's recommendations.

89. Next meeting

The next meeting will be on the 30th July 2019.

90. Private business

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr McNeill-Ritchie and with all in favour it was **RESOLVED:** To start private business.

Appendix 1

No public questions.

Chairman's report Wednesday 29th May 2019 Community and Recreation

I would like to thank Cllr Dan Taylor for his chairing this committee for the last 2 years and congratulate him on Deputy Mayor.

As this is my first report, I would like to highlight some of the outstanding pieces of work and events that have been achieved plus those still upcoming:

I think we are all very pleased to see Barton Farm play park back to its former glory and my nieces loved climbing over all the obstacles, so that you to all involved in completing this change over.

I would like to offer my thanks to Cllr Jennie Parker for organising the Party in the Park on Saturday, just gone, making Dementia awareness a real need in the town and I offer this opportunity for her to say a few words.

Cllr Simon McNeil-Ritchie and myself are heading up the co-ordination for South West in Boom and judging is on 16th July. We have major plans with bunting highlighting the Climate Emergency, there are many groups such as Girls Guides, WI, Preservation Trust, all getting involved in making their contribution.

There are to be 2 beautiful trees in wonderful large planters to be installed outside of the Tourist Information office and I hope to brighten up Westbury gardens.

I would like to bring to everyone's attention that the Youth Centre every Tuesday during term time is holding many activities for 8-12-year olds from 4.45-6.45- and 13-18-year olds from 7-9pm with only £1 entry fee. This is a great area for our youth, and I hope the report we have received keeps showing the important and outstanding work.

There is a free activity day on Thursday 30th May at 10am at Westwood and on Saturday 8th June in SMH Be happy Harry hippo via Hodge Podge theatre.

Cllr Alex Kay, Cllr Jennie Parker and myself are having a Women's 100 meeting to discuss how to hand over the charity money we have raised for Splitz and the Malala fund. We are all very proud of this achievement and will carry on with events every International Women's Day.

I am currently working on the Terms of Reference for this committee with Ian and will publish this in due course.

This weekend is hosting the Food Festival in Culver close which looks to be a fabulous occasion.

There is currently a group of Councillors and Area Board members meeting every 3 months in regard to grants called the Grant Advisory Panel and this has been a most useful gathering. There are many ideas and grants should be open to the public. It is a panel for recommendations, with developing this process there is more to be worked out with clear guidelines but there is no strategy or policy those decisions shall be taken in the correct committee