

**Service Delivery Committee**

**6.30pm on Monday 4th November 2024**

**MINUTES**

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| 1 | **Present:** Cllr Steve Collings, Cllr Jeanette McCartan (Chair), Cllr Amanda Miller, Cllr Keith Scargill and Cllr Amanda Thomas  **In attendance:** Andrew Davies Clerk  **Apologies:** Cllr Peter Bulmer |
| 2 | **Open Forum:** One member of the public was present who raised issues of anti-social behaviour in Queens Road Park over the last month or so. This involves unknown youths throwing apples, making comments of an offensive nature, littering and possibly smoking drugs. There was second hand information of possible racial language. This occurs in the evenings and most weekends  **Action:** Member of public given clerks details for future reporting. Cheshire Police to be informed and request for Police presence. |
| 3 | **Declarations of Interest:** There were no disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting. |
| 4 | **Minutes of previous meeting:** Councillors accepted the minutes of the previous meeting on 9th September 2024 as accurate. |
| 5 | **Budget items for budget next year:**   1. Cllr Miller proposed a new venture for Vicars Cross Community centre called Stitched- up. This involved craft classes for all ages. Funding will be required for room hire and equipment. Cllr Miller is to explore funding options 2. Cllr Thomas proposed pickleball clubs/events within the community. Options for consideration were the outdoor area at rear of Vicars Cross centre which would involve remarking of area. Cllr Thomas to complete a Basic Project Planning Frame work with options. 3. A discussion regarding further renovation of Vicars Cross centre unused rooms took place and how they could be utilised in next financial year. |
| 6 | **Community Buildings:**  **Email update from Cllr Bulmer**  *Caldy Valley Church and Neighbourhood Centre update:*   * Apple pressing on Saturday 19th Oct (am at VXCC, pm at CV) was well attended by residents, gradually increasing in numbers, several families attended. Hopefully, next year more Cllrs will attend and help? * 40th Weekend was very successful, Community on the Saturday (MP in attendance) and Church Service on the Sunday (Lord Mayor in attendance). One Time Capsule to be buried with archive material and the other one with items from the 40th weekend. Many thanks to those Cllrs who turned up and supported. * CRCW Application submitted, Panel meets 5th Nov. Panel visited on Friday 25th Oct and appeared supportive * Small group meeting Architects on 6th Nov and 12th Nov, to provide and overview of our remodelling ideas and to hear how they would approach the brief and engage. * Next JMC on 20th Nov, need to consider capital upgrades. Budget OK and as expected * Still need a long-term solution for a meeting secretary. Keith is our formal Secretary, with Sue taking minutes. * Other things to work on: Constitution et al, Volunteer framework etc, etc * Attending the Wyldewood Community Liaison Group on 21st Nov, to look around and meet up with the Community Team to continue building a strong relationship and provide a complimentary offer (classes and volunteering) at Caldy Valley to their residents.   **Vicars Cross Community Centre;**  No formal update for meeting due to ongoing commitments of centre manager |
| 7 | **Notice Board/Bench:**  Discussion took place regarding the current locations of noticeboards within the parish and the general state of repair. It was agreed the following movements of the boards:  Boughton Heath Primary school Board be moved to replace Vicars Cross Community Centre wooden board  Cedar Park noticeboard to be moved to Cedar pathway  Caldy Valley Road noticeboard be moved to Pentland Close  Action: Cllr Otter has been requested to obtain quotes for relocation of the noticeboards prior to any further action |
| 8 | **Review of recent events:**   1. ***Awards evening at Vicars Cross Community Centre***   Cllrs all agreed the awards evening was an excellent evening which was well attended and supported. A discussion regarding maintaining links with local schools for next year and consideration of alternative venue for next year.   1. ***10th Anniversary Celebration Vicars Cross Community Centre***   Cllrs all agreed that feedback from this event was excellent.   1. ***40th Anniversary Celebration Caldy Valley Neighbourhood Church***   See email update by Cllr Bulmer (item 6). Cllrs agreed that the Indian dancing group in particular was well received. Request that links are maintained with this group for future events. |
| 9 | Events: to consider upcoming events and agree actions:     1. ***Carols by Torchlight- Old Laundry Corner Friday 6th Dec***   Update given by clerk regarding current booking of choir singers and awaiting confirmation of refreshment provider   1. ***Development Evening – 16th Dec***   Discussion took place regarding agenda for evening. Cllrs updated that a CHALC representative has been requested to host and awaiting confirmation. Clerk is to plan agenda for evening on theme of expectations from Cllr’s, Clerk and community   1. ***To discuss up cycling project proposed by Cllr Miller***   As discussed (Stitched up item 5)   1. ***To establish deployment dates for speed monitoring***   Cllrs stated they were waiting for an update from ward Cllr MacGlashan for dates. Clerk to contact Cllr for update   1. ***Bulb planting in parish as proposed by Cllr Bulmer***   Cllrs approved funding for £100 for bulbs to be purchased by Cllr Bulmer. This was proposed by Cllr Mccartan and seconded by Cllr Miller. All Cllrs voted in favour.   1. ***Easter Egg Hunt organisation and promotion***   Cllrs discussed this event in detail. It was agreed that the event should take place next Easter as it was well attended and received last year. It was agreed that budget should be extended from £500 to £750 next year to enable purchase of Easter eggs. |
|  | Information Exchange: No reports this meeting |
| 11 | Delegated decisions to report to council:  Purchase of bulbs for planting by Cllr Bulmer for £100 |
| 12 | Recommendations for council:  Easter Egg hunt at Queens Road Field should go ahead again next year. It is anticipated the budget would increase from £500 to £750. This would be for inclusion in Budget projection next financial year. |
| 13 | Date of next meeting: Monday 27th January 2025 at United Reform Church, Green Lane |