

Minutes for the COMMUNITIES and EVENTS Committee Meeting
Tuesday 17 November 2020 at 7.30pm via Zoom video conferencing

Councillors:	Cllr M Hagon (MEH) (Chair)	Cllr S Williams (SW) (Vice Chair)
	Cllr S Jefferys (SJ)	Cllr G Hollis (GH)
	## Cllr K Bowen (KB)	Cllr A Hans (AH)
	Cllr W Davey (WD)	Cllr S Sproul (SS)
	Cllr E Austin (EA)	Cllr J Walsh (JW)
Attending:	Cllr S Bhinder-Doshani (SBD)	Deputy Clerk – Jeremy Day
	# - <i>Apologies Received</i>	## - <i>Not Present</i>

Minute No	Minute	Action
201117/01	Apologies for Absence – none received. Cllr KB was not present.	
201117/02	Declaration of Interests None	
201117/03	Public Session No public attended the meeting	
201117/04	Minutes of last meeting – 17 October 2020 - Approved at the Full Council on <u>9 November 2020</u> <u>Noted</u> the Parish Council Wreath was laid as part of the 8 November Parish Commemorations in line with Government Guidelines by Cllr JW accompanied by other Cllrs.	
201117/05	Upcoming Events a) <u>Christmas Carols</u> Agreed this event should be cancelled – the band has been cancelled. Suggested any impromptu opportunities should be explored. Also suggested some carols could be played on the Saturday morning (5 December) for a couple of hours via some speakers. AH agree to look into the possibility of this. MEH to contact Cllr Heath to see if the Falcon can provide some carols being playing. b) <u>Tea Dances 2021</u> To be carried forward to December meeting c) <u>Jazz on the Green 2021</u> To be carried forward to December meeting	MEH MEH DC DC
201117/06	Future Events / Activities - Noted a) <u>Denham Good Neighbours Scheme</u> – no update b) <u>Repair Shop</u> – no update c) <u>Men in Sheds</u> - Cllr SW reported on a visit to the Amersham Men in Shed. Agreed to create a Working Party to include Cllr SW, DC and former Councillor Frank Duffy. DC to organise the WP. Noted that the Lawn Mower Shed at Higher Denham was available. Noted that the Wesleyan Chapel was not suitable for use.	DC DC

	d) <u>Denham Dementia Friendly</u> - Cllr SW took part in a NALC Webinar. DC to try and obtain any notes / presentations and the Dementia Friendly Guide from NALC for reference. Suggested to consider Memory Cafes for the future	
201117/07	Denham Parish Council Survey Cllr MEH & SL worked together to put together the final leaflet. DC is organising the Post Office Freepost reply service. DC to organise printing as agreed previously by Hillingdon Greenprint (slot reserved for 25 th November). DC to source a delivery service to delivery once printing has been completed. Cllr JW agreed that this committee could confirm agreement so that we can keep to the time frame and ensure that the survey reaches all residents before the end of November.	DC
201117/08	Brightening up the Parish Dean Wardley & Phillip Newell have been out planting and all 5,000 have now been distributed across the 5 areas and planting is nearing completion. There have been some rotted bulbs amongst the bags. DC to progress this issue with the supplier. DC reported that he will contact the Proprietor as requested in December to receive some donated bulbs.	DC
201117/09	Community Christmas Lights Cllr SJ reported £1,300 worth of lights have been ordered but more maybe required. 60 metres extra are going in on the third tree at Tatling End. Replacements are needed at Denham Village & Denham Green. It was agreed to switch the lights on as soon as we can as lights are checked and replaced. Agreed that we will progress with a contractor to manage our lighting provision and we should be in contact with contractors for where we haven't got lights currently – New Denham & Higher Denham. DC to put this on the January meeting Agenda. Cllr SJ to be involved. Agreed we should make sure the power supply for the Village Green should from the garage and ensure the power supply is safe.	SJ DC
201117/10	Denham Community Christmas Card Cllr MEH reported she had not been able to get the Academy School involved. The response from the Village School has been exceptional. Cllr Margaret Skelton is to judge the winner and all entries except the winner (needed for printing) will be returned to the School. It was reported that prizes would be non-food / confectionary and Cllr MEH to order some suitable prizes on line – 16 pack coloured pencils and prizes for the winner and runners up. It was Agreed to spend £118 on prizes. Agreed that James Fouraye would print the cards. Distribution – discussions underway regarding the logistics of distributing. The opportunity of looking into giving a card to clients of the Foodbank. It was noted GDPR rules will need to be adhered to. It was suggested that those on the Denham Community Support Group (DCSG) could have a supply to give to those who they interact with. It was Agreed that 200 cards be available to DCSG. Agreed cards could be sent to those residents of local care homes who do not have friends / relatives close by. Agreed to involve the local Churches to	MEH

	identify residents who live on their own. Other residents connected to the Parish Council to be included.	
201117/11	Future Community Litter Picks Agreed to start this as a regular activity from February 2021 by alternatively Saturday and Sunday each month. Cllr SBD to work with SL to design posters for the litter picks.	DC / SBD
201117/12	VE Day – Soldier Silhouettes DC reported that contacting the RBL Industries has proved difficult though the 2 nd Lockdown but he will continue to pursue. John O’Conner (installation contractor) has confirmed that the cost per permanent installation is £60 ex VAT. A discussion regarding the timing of them being in place year round or for a specific period. It was Agreed to acquire the figures now and store in preparation for positioning late next year. DC to discuss secure installation with the contractor that is not permanent so the figures can be placed for the period around Remembrance commemorations. Cllrs asked to consider the timings and a decision to be made at next Meeting. Cllrs to discuss with residents to gauge a community view as well.	DC Cllrs
201117/13	Correspondence – noted	
201117/14	Covid Community Grants A list of potential clubs, groups and organisations to receive a grant of £500 was discussed. These grants are meant to support community groups that have not been able to operate but will have suffered some financial hardship through the Covid situation. Concerns were raised about the appropriateness of some of the organisations. It was also suggested that consideration be given to some of the national charities that are currently doing great work for sectors of our community. It was Agreed the matter could not be resolved tonight and therefore this should go to next Full Council meeting. Other councillors should be involved in the discussion.	
201117/15	Financial Report – noted Cllr AEH to liaise with the Clerk and DC to ensure the cost of planters / barrier baskets and maintenance are posted to the appropriate budgets within Communities and Services.	
201117/16	Covid Vaccine A discussion took place regarding the support the Parish Council could give to facilitate the mass vaccination effort. Cllr GH explained that he has regular updates from the Leader of the unitary council and he will offer our support for volunteers from the Council and consideration of local facilities (Halls, Car Parks etc). Suggested we liaised with GP services as well via Cllr GH’s update opportunities	
201117/17	Date of Next Meeting – <u>Tuesday 15 December 2020 at 7.30pm via Zoom</u>	

Meeting closed – 8.54pm

Jeremy Day - Deputy Clerk
17 November 2020