

Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Youth & Wellbeing Committee held at 6.30pm on Monday 17th April 2023 in The Salmonsbury Room, The George Moore Community Centre.

Those present: Cllr L Hicks (Chairman), Cllrs S Coventry, A Davis, J Wareing and B Wragge.

In Attendance: Julie Catlow, Committee Clerk.

Members of the public: One member of the public attended along with Maya Samuel, Member of the Youth Parliament for Cotswolds & Stroud.

- 1) **Apologies for absence:** Cllr B Hadley.
- 2) **Declarations of Interest:** There were none.
- 3) **To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Youth & Wellbeing Committee held on Monday 6th March 2023:** Cllr Davis requested that amendments were made to item 11c) of the minutes and the draft minutes were APPROVED by the Committee once amended.
- 4) **Public Session:** There were no further members of the public present.
- 5) **Update from Maya Samuel, Member of the Youth Parliament for Cotswolds & Stroud:** The Member introduced her student colleague, a member of the School Council. She has been working with The Cotswold School Council considering options for after-school events to improve connectivity with the local community. Cllr Hicks confirmed that the Seniors Youth Club could provide this opportunity for students or alternatively the Café in the George Moore Community Centre could be a suitable venue to hold small meetings. They have also considered some options for occasional gatherings such as a May Fayre or a Christmas Fayre at the school. The Victorian Christmas evening had been a real highlight of the year in previous years, and the students hope that an event along these lines could be organised in the future. The Committee explained that the event became very commercial and that the number of visitors to the village had required some road closures and caused traffic congestion in the village centre. Cllr Wareing reported that Bourton Business Network were very supportive of a smaller evening event for businesses, and it was suggested that there could be opportunity for the School Council to be involved in the organisation. It was suggested that this would be an ideal opportunity for a musical performance by The Cotswold School. Committee to consider suggestions for Christmas 2024.
- 6) **Matters Arising:**
 - a) Rye Crescent lease: Committee Clerk reported that there have been no further updates received from the CDC legal team and that this would be followed up again.
 - b) Melville Play Area footpath repairs: Cllrs Roberts and Hicks met with the Cotswold Wardens on 6th April to discuss the entrance from Station Road to the Melville Play Area, which is now very muddy and slippery. In the meantime, a small gully has been dug from the area to the ditch alongside to help with drainage. At the meeting it was agreed that in the short-term the addition of wood bark will absorb most of the moisture and should last up to six months (any leftover bark will be used to improve the gateway to the swings). Travis Perkins have kindly agreed to supply and deliver a one-ton bag free of charge and the Committee Clerk will co-ordinate delivery and arrange for the Cotswold Wardens to carry out the works. This would be communicated via the Browser and the Parish Council website. APPROVED.
 - c) Communication of Warm Spaces: Committee Clerk confirmed that there is now a link on the Parish Council website to details of Warm Spaces listed on the CDC website.
 - d) CDC Community Wellbeing Team Public Meeting: Committee Clerk advised that the meeting would take place in late June/early July. She is waiting for confirmation from CDC Community Wellbeing Team regarding availability to meet with Cllr Hicks to discuss objectives and next

steps. It was agreed that it was important to include the Member of the Youth Parliament for Cotswolds and Stroud and members of the School Council at the public meeting.

- e) Accuracy of Quarterly Play Area inspections: It was agreed that the current contract for the inspections is reviewed by the Committee Clerk and that three quotations should be considered at the end of the current contract.

7) **Signage for Rye Crescent and Melville Play Areas:** Approval of design and cost at £85 (Total £255): Committee Clerk confirmed that there were three signs required, two for Melville and one for Rye Crescent and that Wright Signs have agreed to hold the price charged for the Naight signage in August 2022. APPROVED, Committee Clerk/Cllr Hicks to approve wording.

8) Youth

- a) Play Rangers: No reports were available.
- b) Youth Club:
 - i) Cricket Club SLA – Approval of amendments to the new agreement from 17.04.23 – 18.03.24 and uplift in charges from £40 (gross) to £50 (£41.70 net) per session: The Inspire to Aspire SLA includes 37 sessions between 1st April 2023 and 31st March 2024 so the actual cost will be £1,542.90 net of VAT against a budget figure of £1,480, leaving a shortfall of £62.90. Committee to approve using funds from the £2,500 grant from the OPCC for the Youth Club. Committee Clerk to liaise with Inspire to Aspire for clarification as there are only 36 dates listed on the Cricket Club SLA. It was noted that there is not currently a requirement included for the Youth Club to have exclusive use of the Cricket Club which the Committee agreed should be included to avoid other meetings taking place in area where there are activities taking place. Committee Clerk to address this with the Cricket Club and amend the SLA accordingly. It was proposed that the Committee identify other venues closer to the centre of the village suitable to hold the Youth Club including both Primary School (Cllr Wareing to raise this with the Head) and The Cotswold School as there are already facilities in place.
 - ii) Review of Youth Club: Cllr Hicks confirmed that the Committee will review annually and that the Committee Clerk will include the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner funding report on the next agenda.
 - iii) To note: Inspire to Aspire Report March 2023.

9) Play Areas:

- a) Weekly Inspections:
 - i) To receive weekly reports and agree any further actions: Actions required have been addressed in items 9c) and 9d).
- b) New equipment for Rye Crescent Play Area - To agree sources of funding and grant applications to be made: Discussions regarding funding and grant applications will be held over to the next meeting. Cllr Hicks reported that in the interim some landscaping works could be carried out.
- c) MUGA at The Naight Play Area – Report following the meeting held on 31st March 2023 and recommendations for works required: Cllrs Hadley, Hicks and Roberts and the Committee Clerk met with a resident, Dave Perry and a representative from Kompan to discuss issues and actions to reduce the noise at the MUGA. Following the meeting, Dave Perry carried out some remedial repairs to help to reduce the noise by the addition of rubber inserts and tie wraps which have not resolved the issue. It was agreed that consideration should be given to attaching some additional bracing, but Kompan have concerns that the addition of the bracing may not be considered as acceptable to the insurance provider and that as a result the Parish Council/Kompan may be liable. The Committee agreed to propose temporary closure of the MUGA and to seek advice from external bodies and that to be considered at

the Extraordinary Council Meeting on 27th April. The member of the public along with the Member of the Youth Parliament for Cotswolds & Stroud left the meeting at 19.36 hours.

- d) Replacement of slide steps at The Naight Play Area. It was identified that the steps to the slide at The Naight need to be replaced. Committee Clerk is awaiting a quotation for supply and fitting from Wicksteed. Dave Perry to remove current steps, close off area and carry out re-decoration before the new steps are installed. Committee Clerk to obtain further quotations and report at the next meeting.

10) **Wellbeing:**

- a) The Cotswold Youth Network and Active Impact survey of access to activities for disabled young people. Committee Clerk to obtain further information regarding the survey requirements and report at the next meeting.

11) **Correspondence:** To review correspondence received.

- a) Further correspondence was received on 16th April from the resident who met with the Councillors on 31st March stating that repairs carried out have unfortunately not been successful in reducing the noise from the MUGA.

12) **Items to note:**

- a) To note: A-Z List of Popular UK Grant Funders open to Town & Parish Councils.
- b) Cotswold Community Wellbeing Newsletter April 2023.
- c) Submission of Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner funding report will be received from Inspire to Aspire by the end of the week and submitted by the Committee Clerk before the deadline of 28th April.
- d) CDC Community Support Officer to be invited to attend the next meeting.
- e) Provision of Mother and Toddler Groups to be included as an agenda item at the next meeting.
- f) Cllr Wragge reported that Moore Friends will conduct a review of Men in Sheds over the course of the next 3 months and Cllr Hicks will co-ordinate repairs required.
- g) Cllr Wragge reported that he is looking at working with a local resident supporting those with Parkinson's Disease.
- h) Cllr Hicks reported that Tesco and Coop have supported Dementia Awareness Week and that Tesco are in the early stages of development of Dementia Awareness training for their customer-facing staff.
- i) Cllr Davis reported that she has been involved in distributing tomatoes and peppers to local care homes. Although communicated in the Browser, some of the care homes seemed a little concerned about receiving donations. Cotswold Radio to do an announcement during the Coronation Lunch to advertise volunteering opportunities.

13) **Date of Next Meeting:** Monday 5th June at 6.30pm (TBC)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.18 hours.