

**Minutes of the MEETING OF THE COMMUNITIES AND EVENTS COMMITTEE on Monday 24 May 2021 at 7.30pm in the Tindall Room, New Denham Community Centre, Oxford Road, UB9 4DB**

<b>Councillors:</b>	Cllr M Hagon (MEH) - Chairman	Cllr S Williams (SW) – Vice-Chairman
	Cllr J Walsh (JW)	Cllr S Sproul (SS)
	Cllr W Davey (WD)	Cllr G Hollis (GH)
	Cllr S Jeffreys (SJ)	Cllr A Hans (AH)
	Jagjit Brar ( <b>Clerk</b> )	# = Apologies Received
	Colin Needs – ( <b>Deputy Clerk</b> )	Mr J McSparron (Guest)

Item No	Agenda Item	Action
20210524/ 01	<b>Election of Chairman –</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cllr MEH was nominated by Cllr SW and seconded by Cllr WD. There were no other nominations, therefore Cllr MEH was duly elected as chairman.</li> </ul>	
20210524/ 02	<b>Election of Vice-Chairman –</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cllr SW was nominated by Cllr MEH and seconded by Cllr SJ.</li> <li>Cllr SJ was nominated by Cllr AH, however Cllr SJ declined the nomination.</li> <li>There were no other nominations, therefore Cllr SW was duly elected as Vice-Chairman.</li> </ul>	
20210524/ 03	<b>Acceptance of Apologies for Absence</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See above, no apologies for absence.</li> </ul>	
20210524/ 04	<b>Declaration of Interests –</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There were no declarations of interests.</li> </ul>	
20210524/ 05	<b>Public Session – 10 minutes –</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr Jimmy McSparron attended the meeting as he had expressed an interest in becoming a parish councillor and gave a brief resume of his previous experiences in community work and employment history.</li> </ul>	
20210524/ 06	<b>Minutes of last meeting – 26 April 2021 –</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No issues arose, minutes agreed.</li> </ul>	
20210524/ 07	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Tea Dance</b> - Sunday 11 July, 1 August, 5 Sept, 24 October, 28 November 2021           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All going ahead on dates agreed, these are to be advertised in the Parish newsletter which will be issued this week. Cllr MEH stated that the details and the organisation of these events will be discussed at the next communities meeting.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Action</b> -Cllr MEH will organise the posters and tickets.</li> </ul>	<b>Cllr MEH</b>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Music on the Green</b> – Sunday 20 June, 18 July, 15 Aug, 19 Sept and 17 Oct 2021 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Music for the event on 20 June will be provided by John Smith and the Styles.</li> <li>● Cllr MEH asked for help in setting up the gazebo/power etc., Cllr SJ and Cllr SW will help along with Dean Wardley the handyman.</li> <li>● <b>Action</b> - Deputy clerk to obtain some parking cones/bollards from Wayne Fabian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Great British Spring Clean &amp; Community Litter Pick</b> – 28 May – 13 June 2021 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cllr MEH stated that Cllr SBD will continue with the community events despite no longer being on the Communities Committee.</li> <li>● Cllr MEH reminded everyone that the main aims of the Litter Pick, is to eventually have a representative resident from each street/ area, who will take responsibility for encouraging their neighbours to participate in litter picking on the first weekend of each month.</li> <li>● Cllr JW stated that Higher Denham (HD) had had a good turn-out for the first event this month and managed to clear all of the accumulated rubbish in the Tilehouse Lane ditch. It was also stated that HD now had a litter picking champion. The Clerk asked if it would be possible for litter picking hoops to be given to litter picking champions going forward and if litter picking champions could be identified in all areas of the Parish. It was suggested that a letter of thanks be sent by DPC to the Higher Denham Residents Association (HDRA) for their efforts on the day.</li> <li>● Cllr WD said that the litter pick had been generally successful in Tatling End and that Dean Wardley, had at a later date, collected some of the larger items of waste that had accumulated that was not collected on the litter pick weekend.</li> <li>● <b>Action</b> – Clerk/Deputy Clerk to speak to SBD on how to best distribute litter picking equipment.</li> <li>● <b>Action</b> – Clerk/Deputy Clerk to issue a letter of thanks to the HDRA.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Memory Café</b> – Friday 16 July, 13 August, 10 September 2021 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cllr MEH reported that a very successful first meeting of the Memory Cafe organising group, had been held, and all had met Christine Walters from Ealing Dementia Day Care who will lead the first pilot launch Memory Cafe on July 16th.</li> <li>● Cllr WD had put up posters in respect of these events and stated that there had been a positive response with a lot of interest. Cllr MEH emphasised that each dementia patient needed to have a carer with them and that there would be a maximum of 8 patients with carers at the café.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center; padding-bottom: 50px;"><b>Deputy Clerk</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; padding-top: 50px;"><b>Clerk/ Deputy Clerk</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; padding-top: 50px;"><b>Clerk/ Deputy Clerk</b></p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Clerk stated that funding of £1,200.00 had been applied via the COOP community fund scheme.</li> <li>• <b>Good Neighbours Coffee Morning – Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021 –</b></li> <li>• It was pointed out that the date of the coffee morning was Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September and not as stated above, Cllr MEH said that this will still go ahead at St Marks Hall.</li> <li>• Cllr WD wanted to know if this event was open to all ages and not just pensioners, Cllr MEH said that it was and this event is also advertised in the Parish newsletter.</li> <li>• <b>Big Lunch – Summer 2022 –</b></li> <li>• Cllr MEH said that people should be encouraged to organise events at community venues bringing food/drink to celebrate the lifting of lockdown.</li> <li>• Cllr JW asked if there was any budget available for the music event in Higher Denham, Cllr AH said that DPC could advertise that there could be possible funding and that applications for such funding could be made to the DPC.</li> <li>• The Clerk stated that there was a VE Day find of £300 that has not been used and this could be utilised for such events. It was agreed that £150.00 could be donated to both Higher Denham and New Denham as music events had already been organised. It was also agreed that the residents associations for both Higher Denham and New Denham/Willowbank need to write to DPC for this £150.00 donation.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – Cllr JW and Cllr MEH to arrange for each residents association to request a donation from DPC.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Cllr JW &amp; Cllr MEH</b></p>
<p><b>20210524/ 08</b></p>	<p><b>Men In Sheds</b></p> <p>Update from Cllr SW –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr SW said that she had seen the shed proposed and that it was not suitable for such a scheme, a venue needs to be identified where equipment required can be stored.</li> <li>• The Clerk stated that there was a container on the Denham allotments that might be suitable.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – Clerk to speak to Jim Clements about the possibility of using the container on the allotment site.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr WD said that there might be a suitable shed/barn on the land owned by Sheila Newell, Cllr SW said that she would approach Sheila about this possibility.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – Cllr SW to speak to Sheila Newell to see if there was anything suitable that DPC could use for the Men in Sheds project.</li> </ul>	Cllr SW
20210524/09	<p><b>Christmas Lights Update –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr JW asked about the proposed electrical supply to the Village Green, Cllr MEH said that this matter had been passed to the Services Committee.</li> <li>• Cllr MEH said that it was important that the sourcing of the Christmas tree this was done early this year, The Clerk said that an approach should be made to Bucks Golf Club as they have donated a tree in the past to DPC.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – Clerk/Deputy Clerk to approach Bucks GC to see if they will donate a Christmas tree for Denham VG.</li> <li>• Cllr GH suggested that an application for more Christmas lights funding could be made via the Bucks CC Community Board.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> - Cllr MEH to liaise with Cllr GH in this respect of Christmas lights funding.</li> </ul>	Clerk/ Deputy Clerk  Cllr MEH/Cllr GH
20210524/10	<p><b>Completed Projects</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Beating the Bounds –</b></li> <li>• Cllr MEH said that this had been a success this year due to leadership from Paul Graham and that 14 adults and 4 children took part and that there had been positive feedback for this event. Cllr MEH thanked both Cllr JW and Cllr SW with their help on that day in respect of the provision of refreshments.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> - Cllr MEH asked that BTB for next year is advertised earlier in the year so that people are aware when and where this event takes place.</li> <li>• <b>Newsletter –</b></li> <li>• Cllr WD commended Cllr MEH on the quality and content of the newsletter.</li> <li>• Cllr MEH apologised that on this occasion that was no room to add councillor’s photographs to the newsletter.</li> <li>• Cllr MEH asked that for the September 2021 Communities Committee meeting that there should be an agenda item for the ordering of more daffodil bulbs for 2022.</li> <li>• The Clerk stated that the newsletter is in print and will be distributed over this coming Bank Holiday weekend.</li> </ul>	Clerk/ Deputy Clerk

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Action</b> – Clerk/Deputy Clerk to add daffodil bulb supply for 2022 to September Communities meeting agenda.</li> </ul>	<b>Clerk/ Deputy Clerk</b>
20210524/ 11	<p><b>Soldier Silhouettes &amp; Poppies –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr MEH was delighted to announce that both the soldier silhouettes and lamp-post poppies had been ordered and received, thanks to Colin for arranging this. There are 5 silhouettes (1 for each area) and 35 poppies (7 for each area). Cllr MEH asked all councillors to decide on which location the silhouettes and poppies are to be located.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – All councillors to advise locations as above at September Communities meeting if not before.</li> </ul>	<b>All Cllrs</b>
20210524/ 12	<p><b>Events to note</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Carols on the Green</b> – Friday 3 December 2021</li> <li>• <b>Queen’s Jubilee</b> – June 2022</li> <li>• <b>Repair Shop</b> – on hold</li> <li>• There were no comments to add to these events.</li> </ul>	
20210524/ 13	<p><b>Communities Budget 2021/22 –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr MEH pointed out that expenditure entry 4380 should read ‘Bi-annual newsletter’ rather than ‘Annual newsletter’.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – Clerk to amend as necessary</li> <li>• Cllr GH mentioned the defibrillator maintenance cost, The Clerk said that the pads should be changed every two years and that the two installed will need to be maintained in this financial year.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – Clerk/Deputy Clerk to review defibrillator maintenance on the two installed to date.</li> <li>• Cllr WD mentioned the other two defibrillators that are yet to be installed at the Toby Carvery in Tatling End and at Landmark Place in Denham Green, the Deputy Clerk advised that he had spoken to Rhiannon at the Toby Carvery and it was agreed that they would install the defibrillator using their own electricians as soon as possible. Cllr WD to liaise with the Deputy Clerk over the installation in both locations.</li> <li>• <b>Action</b> – Cllr WD to speak to the Deputy Clerk in the next few days.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk/ Deputy Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Cllr WD/ Deputy Clerk</b></p>
20210524/ 14	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b> – Tuesday 22 June 2021 at 7.30pm	

Signed: Colin Needs – Deputy Clerk

25 May 2021