



Midhurst Town Council

**A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 11th July 2022 IN THE MIDHURST TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE,
THE OLD LIBRARY, KNOCKHUNDRED ROW, MIDHURST AT 7:30PM**

MINUTES

Present Cllr N. Yeo, Cllr C. Lintott, Cllr D. Smallman, Cllr R Watts, Cllr D Merritt, and Cllr G. Upjohn
Officer: Sharon Hurr, Clerk

CE/067/22 – Chairman’s Announcements: The Chairman welcomed Cllr Merritt as a newly appointed Councillor to the Committee.

CE/068/22 – Apologies for Absence – Cllr J Sutton and Cllr A Procter

CE/069/22 - Declarations of Interest - Declarations of Interest - To receive from Member’s declarations of Pecuniary and non-Pecuniary interests in relation to any items included on the agenda for this meeting in accordance with The Localism Act 2011 and the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012: None

CE/070/22 - Minutes of Last Meeting- To approve the minutes of meeting held on 13th June 2022: The Minutes were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

CE/071/22 - Matters Arising from the Minutes of 13th June 2022 - To consider matters arising from the minutes that are not on the agenda: None

CE/072/22 – Public Participation – adjournment of meeting
There were no members of the public.

Meeting Reconvened.

CE/073/22 – Events Update

Sustainability Day: The Clerk reported that this event went well, although there was slight disappointment regarding the number of members of the public who attended, and it was wished more had done so.

Skate Jam: This takes place on 16th July 2022 beginning at 12noon. Councillors were requested to inform the Events Officer of when they were available to provide support to the event if they had not already done so.

Summer Street Party: This takes place on 27th August 2022 and Councillors will be required to provide marshalling support.

Monthly Market: The market is progressing well, although there was an impact of not be able to hold it in June due to the Queen’s Jubilee event, in a lower footfall, and some stall holders were not available for a variety of reasons. The Councillors’ table was based in the Old Library during the event for the first time and this will now continue going forward.



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Potential Jumble Trail in September: The holding of this event is currently being considered, and would encourage any householder to put a table outside their homes or open their garage to sell items they no longer need. Each householder would be registered, and a map provided for people wishing to purchase.

CE/074/22 – Policing in Midhurst

The Clerk reported that PCSO Nathan Ford had confirmed that theft from cars in car parks had very much reduced since the identifying of a suspect. PCSO Ford had also explained that he and his colleagues were spending as much time as possible patrolling Caron Lane Recreation Ground, and youths causing some issues at Jubilee Walk had been encouraged to disperse. PCSO Ford reported that he was aware of MADhurst events and would ensure his colleagues were also aware.

CE/075/22 – Civic Activities and Rural Amenities

Real Time Passenger Information System (RTPI) Business Case: Cllr Upjohn had been liaising with Liz Robbins – WSCC Team Leader, ITS and Traffic Monitoring, and provided the committee with an update. Cllr Upjohn confirmed that there may be potential funding available and the costs are like to be approximately £3,000 - £4,500. Cllr Upjohn proposed pursuing the funding, which was seconded by Cllr Watts and agreed by all present.

Action: Cllr Upjohn to confirm the Council's interest with Ms Robbins and that there was a wish to delay proceeding in anticipation of a successful bid for funding.

Dog Fouling: Cllr Yeo confirmed that 'Poo Fairy' stickers had been received and these had been placed in strategic locations, and further stickers would be displayed outside Tesco's, on the other side of the carriageway, in West Street and near to the primary school. Cllr Lintott suggested that it was important to spread the message that ordinary bins could be used for disposal. Cllr Yeo also reported that he was grateful for the Events Officer's support in uploading information on the website, and had drafted a letter to be sent to be sent the primary school by the Assistant Clerk for their promotion to parents and carers to encourage appropriate disposal of dog waste.

Cllr also reported that it was possible to hire Chichester District Council (CDC) Enforcement officers to undertake education on this matter for approximately £250 for a session.

Actions: Cllr Yeo to display further stickers and Assistant Clerk to forward letter to the Primary School.

Bins: Cllr Yeo is continuing to work on considering the moving of some of the town's bins and would liaise with CDC over bin changes now, following the consultation period.

Actions: Cllr Yeo to liaise with CDC regarding relocation of selected bins.

CE/076/22 – Consideration of Project for Inclusion in 2023-24 Budget: Cllr Lintott reminded Councillors to give consideration to any projects they wished to promote for potential inclusion in next year's budget.



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CE/077/22 – Actions

The actions were provided to the committee before the meeting, who reviewed those that were outstanding.

Actions to be carried over:

- Cemetery Regulations to be reviewed (including to amend the regulations re artificial flowers and remove condition 26) and once completed to be forwarded to local funeral directors.

CE/078/22 - Matters of Report: MATTERS OF REPORT (Note: Decisions cannot be made under this item; it is for information only): None

There being no further business the Meeting was closed at 8.21pm.

Signed:.....
Chairman

Date.....