

OVERTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING 24th August 2021

PRESENT: Cllr Copeman, Cllr Kellaway and Cllr Whittaker (Chairman)

1. 2021.07 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Not present: Cllr Hellingman.

2. 2021.08 TO DISCLOSE PERSONAL AND PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS OF BUSINESS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING – none received

3. 2021.09 TO RECEIVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ATTENDING THE MEETING

No members of the public attended

4. 2021.10 Strategic Plan 2021 – 2024

a) Village Forum:

The dates for the next Village Forum Meetings have been sent to all those who attended (Tuesday 2nd November 2021 and Tuesday 1st March 2022).

The notes were emailed to all Forum members, including those who were unable to attend or did not respond to the initial invitations. Please see link (those marked in yellow have yet to decide on a representative or haven't responded) [Village Forum - Organisations contacted updated 25th August 2021.xlsx](#)

b) Trim Trail

The Trim Trail options will be presented to Full Council in September.

Actions: The Clerk to contact all the companies who quoted to ask them to review the prices given, advising them of the forthcoming public consultation and potential timescale before the project commences.

c) Cemetery – Main drive to cemetery and gravel path options

Action: As the Cemetery is an existing asset, Full Council may wish it to be overseen by the Cemetery or Amenity Committee and raise the funds for repair/improvement and maintenance through the annual precept, not as part of Strategic Planning.

d) Discuss potential office locations or alternatives

Members discussed the quote for altering the pavilion garage to an office and the additional costs involved i.e. buying secure unit for all the items from the garage to be stored in. It was agreed that Full Council need to decide if they feel £15k (approx.) for an office would be a good investment and whether it would receive support from residents.

It was suggested the Parish Room could be rented as the office for OCC as it is accessible, is larger than the current office and fairly central.

Action: The Clerk will contact OVHMC to ascertain if renting the Parish Rooms is a viable option.

e) Establishing a Community Fridge

Members felt this this amenity would be more successful and beneficial in other locations in Wrexham.

Action: An article in the Oracle will be prepared to 'signpost' businesses and anyone who wished to get involved, to the necessary web page.

f) Workshop and Public Consultation

Members agreed the date for the workshop should be moved from 28th September 2021 to 19th October in order to prepare an article for the Oracle, design posters, update the trim trail options. It is hoped that all Councillors will be able to attend on the 19th when there will be three main parts to the workshop:

1. Open the workshop, a facilitated session, engaging with residents to ask them what they want within and from their village.
2. Outline OCCs ideas and get feedback from residents
3. Carry out the consultation, with those present, on the Trim Trail proposal.

All members of the Village Forum will be invited, along with residents and the landowner. The Football Club will be advised of the proposed location of the trail prior to the workshop. Refreshments will be available.

Action: The Clerk and Cllr Copeman will prepare the article for the Oracle, poster and message for Facebook. The Clerk to move the village hall booking, write to the landowner and Football Club, advise Forum Members of meeting.

5. **2021.11 TO RECEIVE ANY AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE MEETING AND CONFIRM DATE**

Date of next meeting: All those involved with the workshop will meet prior to the Full Council Meeting due to be held on 12th October 2021 at 6.15 in the Parish Rooms.

The Chairman brought the meeting to a close at 20.30hrs