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**DUSTON PARISH COUNCIL**

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**Community Services Committee Minutes**  
**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023 7pm**

CLLr Maitland, CLLr Enright-King, CLLr Roper, CLLr Ennis-Clark

**Chair:** CLLr S Maitland

**Councillors Present:** Ennis-Clark, Enright-King, Golby, Roper.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Gary Youens – Clerk

Ryan Ikavnieks – Assistant Clerk

Alison Grantham – Business and Community Development Officer

**CSC21/23. To receive apologies for absence**

- **RESOLVED:** Apologies were received from CLLr Golby.

**CSC22/23. To receive and approve the minutes of the Community Services Committee on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

- **RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

**CSC23/23. To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda**

- Members were reminded of the need to declare any interests in the items on this agenda, whether pecuniary or otherwise. There were no interests declared.

**CSC24/23. Public Participation Session**

- There were no members of the public present.

**CSC25/23. Community Service Committee Working Parties**

- **RESOLVED:**

- a) That the verbal report from the Good Neighbours working party was received. It was reported that Cllr M Golby will soon have a meeting with the BCD Manager as to progress on the Duston Good Neighbours Scheme.
- b) That the verbal report from the Promotion & Marketing was received.
- c) The Youth working party's report was given during item CSC27/23.
- d) The Limehurst Shopping Centre's verbal report was given during item CSC26/23.
- e) That the verbal report from the Grants working party was received.

**CSC26/23. Limehurst Square Resurfacing**

- The Clerk informed the Committee that West Northamptonshire Councils contractor intends to break ground 'mid-September'. As agreed at the last meeting Duston Parish Council have purchased two benches and planters to be placed around Limehurst Square.
- **RESOLVED:** That the verbal update from the Clerk regarding the resurfacing of Limehurst Square was noted and received.

**CSC27/23. Youth Provision**

*Cllr Dickinson and Cllr Liddon joined the meeting for this item.*

- **RESOLVED:**

- a) That the report from the Youth Working Party was received, discussed, and noted.
- b) The Clerk to contact Free2Talk discuss a possible new Service Level Agreement with costings.
- c) To make recommendation to Council as to the future of Duston Parish Council Youth Provision once a proposal has been put together.

### CSC28/23. Grant Application

- It was discussed that the level of reserves is not a criteria to awarding grants. It is in our Grant Awarding Policy that groups should give some kind of report back.
- **RESOLVED:** To recommend to Council that the grant application from Duston Village Hall for £1000 be approved (APPENDIX B).

### CSC29/23. Events Report

- The Business and Community Development Manager provided the committee with a presentation that gave an overview of the events and initiatives that have been conducted this year, highlighting the benefits of each. The presentation covered the Free Health & Wellbeing Talks, the Community Info & Wellness Fair, the Indoor Carboot Sales, The Grow Together Allotment, and Duston Fun Day.
- The presentation ended by displaying the schedule for the up and coming months:

September	October	November
5 <sup>th</sup> TGTA Drop In session 16 <sup>th</sup> Indoor Car boot Sale DCC  21 <sup>st</sup> Wellbeing Talk - Alcoholism Support for Families DCC	3 <sup>rd</sup> TGTA Drop In session  7 <sup>th</sup> Community Info & Wellness Fair DCC  19 <sup>th</sup> Wellbeing Talk - Northants Carers DCC  30 <sup>th</sup> Poppy Cascade up St Luke's Centre	1 <sup>st</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Duston Remembers & Poppy Cascade 18 <sup>th</sup> Christmas@ St Luke's  23 <sup>rd</sup> Wellbeing Talk - WNC & Northants Fire & Rescue

- **RESOLVED:**
  - a) That the report receive on DPC Events & Initiatives for January to August 2023 was received, discussed, and noted.
  - b) That the report on DPC Events & Initiatives for January to August 2023 be presented at Council for their information.
  - c) That the Committee thanks all the staff involved in the planning and execution of Duston Fun Day 2023 for organising a wonderful and successful fete.

### CSC30/23. Mental Health Services

- **RESOLVED:** That the item is deferred until the next ordinary Community Services Committee (Thursday 9th November 2023)

**CSC31/23. Parish Council Noticeboards**

- **RESOLVED:** That the item is deferred until the next ordinary Community Services Committee (Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023)

**CSC32/23. Christmas Events**

- Committee was advised staff are already working on events in the run up to Christmas. Staff said it was a good suggestion and something that can be considered for 2024. However, the Chair of the Committee said that there was staff capacity and resources to do the event this year.
- **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk present a report to the next Council meeting.

*Meeting finished at 8:26pm*

APPROVED