

**Minutes of the meeting of the COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE held  
in the Committee Room at Eskdale Community Centre  
on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 7.30pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr B. Ezra, Cllr P Wood, Cllr D Field, Cllr D. Wilmer, J Durden-Moore  
Clerk: Apologies Absent: None  
Assistant: Mr Peter Rayner Residents: None

<b>C23/29</b>	Cllr Field was thanked for his leadership of the King's coronation big lunch event. He in turn thanked The Bull and everybody else who helped make it a success.	
<b>C23/30</b>	<b>APOLOGIES</b> – None	
<b>C23/31</b>	OPEN FORUM FOR PARISHIONERS a) On behalf of a parishioner who was not able to attend, Cllr Wilmer brought up the issue that a 3 year old child became stranded at the top of the tall slide when they climbed beyond their capability. The council were asked to consider whether to impose a height limit.	
<b>C23/32</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION</b> None	
<b>C23/33</b>	<b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b> a) The minutes of the meeting of the Communities Committee held on the 14 <sup>th</sup> March-2023 were unanimously <b>AGREED</b> after a correction on item C23/23 and C23/25 as a true record and were signed by the Chairman. b) The action plan was reviewed and would be updated accordingly.	
<b>C23/34</b>	<b>FALLEN SOLDIER</b> It was <b>AGREED</b> to confirm the decision taken outside of a committee meeting to remove the fallen soldier silhouette after last Remembrance Sunday however J Durden-Moore stated she vehemently disagreed with the decision as war is around every day of the year.	
<b>C23/35</b>	<b>CORONATION DONATIONS</b> It was <b>AGREED</b> to recommend that this be deferred to the full council for discussion.	
<b>C23/36</b>	<b>ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY</b> It was <b>AGREED</b> to recommend that this be deferred to the full council for discussion.	
<b>C23/37</b>	<b>RAILWAY STATION GREEN SPACE</b> a) The committee were happy with the proposals from The Chiltern Society and it was <b>AGREED</b> to delegate authority to the Clerk to contribute up to £500 to the scheme if required. b) It was proposed that as well as the tree plaque celebrating the King's coronation that we ask the full council to approve the purchase of plaques for John Reid and Margaret Spencer	Clerk  Clerk
<b>C23/38</b>	<b>HERITAGE BOARD</b> a) The committee were happy with the current proposals for the heritage board and it was <b>AGREED</b> to proceed to get this made up.	Asst Clerk

	b) It was <b>AGREED</b> to remove the unused noticeboard on the village green before the 1-June Best Kept Village judging starts.	
<b>C23/39</b>	<b>BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION</b> a) It was <b>AGREED</b> to design a poster highlighting the community engagement in the coronation big lunch and put that on the noticeboards to highlight community involvement. b) It was <b>AGREED</b> to put up notices telling people when the judging was taking place and advising them what they could do to help us get a good score.	Cllr Field/ J Durden-Moore  Asst Clerk
<b>C23/40</b>	<b>BASKETBALL AREA</b> It was <b>AGREED</b> to get a quote to install a second basketball hoop on the existing area.	Clerk
<b>C23/41</b>	<b>BUCKET SWING FOR PLAYGROUND</b> Councillors who were involved in the planning of the new playground stated that including a bucket swing was given serious consideration at the design stage and it was decided not to install a one. It was <b>AGREED</b> not to overturn that decision.	
<b>C23/42</b>	<b>MARQUEE HIRE</b> It was <b>AGREED</b> we should not hire out the marquee.	
<b>C23/43</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> The next meeting date will be Tuesday 11-Jul-2023.	

The meeting closed at 21:19.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: 11-Jul-2023

### Action List

Date	Minute	Description	By Whom	Status
12/05/22	C22/18	Work with Buckinghamshire Council to get yellow lines on corners in Hampden Road.	Clerk	In progress
8/11/22	C22/65	Work with the Village Society to approach Buckinghamshire Council to try and progress devolving ownership of the village green to the parish council. Update 9-May, devolution committee is paused.	Clerk	In Progress
11/01/23	C23/16	Work with Little Hampton Forge to agree a design for a non-denominational/non-conflict specific war memorial bench.	Cllr Field Asst Clerk	In Progress
11/01/23	C23/16	Prior to the next communities committee meeting, organise a site visit to the village green to discuss positioning of street furniture, heritage board and war memorial. Update 9-May, to be done once Bucks Council work on layby is complete	Asst Clerk	In progress
14/03/23	C22/51	Complete the review of the engagement strategy.	Asst Clerk	Deferred to full council
14/03/23	C23/17	Design community information posters to put in the noticeboards.	Asst Clerk	In progress
14/03/23	C23/17	Replace the footpath map on the Eskdale Road Community Centre but not until it is clear what the post HS2 situation is.	Asst Clerk	

14/03/23	C23/21	Purchase and arrange installation of new noticeboards in the Roylands estate off Risborough Road and the Harbourne Estate opposite Mandeville Park.	Asst Clerk	In progress
14/03/23	C23/22	Offer Stoke Mandeville Juniors football club the hire of the playing field. Update 9-May, to be contacted nearer start of football season.	Clerk	
14/03/23	C23/27	Follow up with the Belmore Centre and Bucks Council Winterton Drive site regarding supplying them with defibrillators.	Asst Clerk	In progress
14/03/23	C23/27	Arrange for purchase and installation of a solar powered defibrillator cabinet and defibrillator on Dalesford Road.	Asst Clerk	In progress
9/05/23	C23/37	Continue to work with Chiltern Railways and The Chiltern Society to rewild and tidy up the station approach green space.	Asst Clerk	
9/05/23	C23/38	Order Heritage board.	Asst Clerk	
9/05/23	C23/38	Remove the old noticeboard from the village green.	Cllr Field	
9/05/23	C23/39	Design poster describing community involvement in the coronation event to be put on noticeboards.	Cllr Field/ J Durden-Moore	
9/05/23	C23/39	Put poster advertising Best Kept Village competition on noticeboards.	Asst Clerk	
9/05/23	C23/40	Get quote for an additional basketball hoop.	Asst Clerk	