

KESGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

Community and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes **12 April 2021**

Councillors Present:

Councillor A Comber (*Chair of this Committee*)
Councillor G Lynch
Councillor J Ogden
Councillor A Athwall
Councillor D Mears
Councillor K Archer
Councillor D Shaw

In Attendance:

- Mrs J Catling-Green Events & Estate Manager
- 1. **Welcome and Apologies for Absence** – The Chair welcomed those present and apologies were received from Councillor P Carr, reasons work commitments.
- 2. **Declaration of Interests** – Cllr Comber – Kesgrave Market, Kesgrave Scouts, Cllr Ogden Kesgrave Market, Kesgrave Scouts.
- 3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting** - held on Monday 1 February 2021 – These Minutes were received, considered, and approved by the Committee, following the vote. (Signed copy in the minute folder).
- 4. **Officer Report/Update/Matters Arising** – JCG confirmed the new storage container was now in situ at the Town Council and had been painted green. The Town Council were following the Palace protocol following the death of the Duke of Edinburgh.
- 5. **Members of the Public** – none
- 6. **Youth Club** – JC-G has spoken to the Senior Youth Worker from the Hang Out, they will confirm when they will return on a Thursday evening and may start with some outdoor activities first. JC-G has also contacted the Level 2 bus to see if they plan to return to Tesco car park on a Thursday afternoon.
- 7. **Millennium Jubilee Hall (MJH) / Millennium Sports Ground (MSG) –**
 - a. The Hall re-opened from the 12 April for groups with young people. At the present time, no one off bookings are being taken for the Summer. Cllr Lynch raised the question as to why this was as the final part of the road map out of lockdown is on the 21st June. JC-G will speak with the Town Clerk to clarify.
 - b. The works to the football fields is on hold until the Town Council receive further instruction from Kesgrave Kestrels.
- 8. **Play Areas, Open Spaces –**
 - a. Conservation Project – The works to Pergola Piece have been put back to September when it is appropriate to plant the new shrubs. Kesgrave Conservation

Group, KTC, Norse and East Suffolk will hold a site meeting at Pergola Piece on 14th April to discuss a way forward with Kesgrave Conservation areas.

b. Cedarwood Green – A few queries need to be clarified with the contractor and then a purchase order will be raised for the contract for lighting and CCTV.

c. Play Area Adoptions – JCG informed the committee that despite many emails, East Suffolk Council had not moved forward with this. JC-G to email Cllr Lynch with concerns.

d. The Kesgrave Wombles is a new group formed by a Kesgrave Resident. A Facebook page has been set up and the group is going from strength to strength. Norse have supplied bags and agreed to pick up the rubbish from the Town Council Office. The Town Council have also supported the group by ordering extra litter pickers, printing of stickers etc.

f. JC-G informed the committee that vandalism of fire to two bins at the Rupert Fison Square had been reported. CCTV has been sent to the Police to investigate. Graffiti and broken glass in play areas has also been reported.

9. Events –

a. The Fun Day organisation is going well for the day on the 31st July. It was suggested that the Market stalls be asked if they wished to have a stand at the Fun Day. Cllr Shaw suggested that Suffolk Wellbeing be contacted to see if they would like to attend. JC-G will contact market stall holders and Suffolk Wellbeing. A roller-skating rink has been booked for 17th July (Kesgrave Market Day) and will be held at the Rupert Fison Square.

10. Kesgrave Market – The Market on the 17th April will be click and collect and open to the public. The Office are working on new branding for the Market. Cllr Comber informed the committee that Martlesham Country Market had ceased an alternative would be investigated.

11. Kesgrave, Rushmere St Andrew, Martlesham, Carlford and Fynn Valley Community Partnership – Cllr Comber updated the Committee and gave them an outline of the proposed work of the group. It will enable a partnership forum to join as a community and to high-light areas as a cohesive group, Cllr Lynch request that highways be asked to join.

12. Other requests – JCG confirmed the updated consumer board will be installed at the Town Council Office on 29th April. Cllr Lynch – requested for the office to investigate solar panels at the MJH and Town Council Office

13. Suggestions for Press and Media – None.

14. To receive such other communications or matters of sufficient urgency and importance that the Chairman will allow for discussion (to be notified to the office by 12noon on the day of the meeting) –

15. Agenda Items for Next Meeting – To consider any matters that members would like to discuss at the next meeting on Monday 5 July at 7.15pm in the Council Chamber at the Town Council Offices. (*meeting closed at 19.53*)

Signed: Chairman..... Date.....