

KESGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

Community and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes **7 February 2022**

Councillors Present:

Councillor A Comber (*Chair of this Committee*)
Councillor P Carr
Councillor G Lynch
Councillor J Ogden
Councillor A Athwall
Councillor R Gibson

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 D Mears, personal.
2. **Declaration of Interests** – None
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting** - held on Monday 1 November 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** – None
5. **Members of the Public** – none
6. **Youth Provision** - JC-G confirmed that 4YP are now preparing the 3- year agreement for the provision of the Hang Out which is held every Thursday at the Millennium Jubilee Hall. It was also reported that a Suffolk County Council Locality Grant from Cllr Stu Lawson has been made available to cover a pilot scheme for 12 weeks of outreach work which will cover the salary of two workers from 4YP.
7. **Play Areas, Open Spaces**
 - a. Cedarwood Green Lighting. All works now complete on the timers at the multi-use games area.
 - b. Play Areas – Works are due to be completed by East Suffolk Council as part of the adoption of Dobbs Drift and Holly Road by the end of March 2022. RG also raised the land encroachment issue with the Holly Road play area. It had been discussed at the previous planning and development meeting. It was noted that it was agreed to resolve the issue through East Suffolk Council enforcement officers.
 - c. Pergola Piece/Nature Trail – a member of the public has contacted the Town Council to discuss a nature trail and information boards at Pergola Piece. JC-G reported that she has asked them to prepare a proposal and costings and will report back once this is received.
 - d. Bi-annual tree survey – this will take place in June 2022
 - e. Millennium Sports Field – The first phase of the pitch works was carried out in January; it is hoped all works will be completed by August 2022.
 - f. General Community Initiatives & Updates – AC gave an update on environmental projects which include re-wilding of Cedarwood Green and discussions have taken place

with a resident who has an interest in environmental issues. Works has started on the improvement to Pilbrough's Walk hedge. SCC are upgrading streetlights to LED, KTC will contact them to discuss proposals for Town Council owned lights. Trees have been planted at Fox Lea to replace a previous planting that had not survived. A meeting has been held with Eastern New Energy regarding opportunities for community climate emergency initiatives such as community solar panel installations schemes etc. AC has been looking into mapping software for the Town Council to plot land ownership and aid conservation / climate emergency initiatives. AC wanted to thank Cllr David Mears for all his hard work which he put into the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. The Kesgrave Man Shed is currently on hold, however it was reported that the repair shop at Martlesham is going well. Cllr Lynch asked that when the In Touch article is written, could it include a piece about residents volunteering or offering skills to various environment/IT projects. JC-G confirmed she would include this in the next edition of In Touch.

8. Events -

- a. JC-G reported on the upcoming events for 2022, the first being an Easter Tea Party. All events will be advertised in the In Touch Magazine and on the Town Council Website.
- b. Plans for the Platinum Jubilee – JC-G confirmed the beacon will be lit on Thursday 2nd June. The Fun Day would have a red, white and blue theme. It was agreed that a commemorative bag for life would be purchased, similar to the Battle's Over bag.

9. Other requests – None

10. Suggestions for Press and Media – Advertise upcoming events

11. 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) –

12. Agenda Items for Next Meeting – To consider any matters that members would like to discuss at the next meeting on Monday 9 May 2022 at 7.15pm in the Council Chamber at the Town Council Offices. *(Meeting closed at 19.45)*

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