

## KESGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL

### Community and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes 20 September 2021

#### **Councillors Present:**

Councillor A Comber (*Chair of this Committee*)

Councillor P Carr

Councillor J Ogden

Councillor A Athwall

Councillor D Mears

Councillor R Gibson

Councillor K Archer – 7.20pm

#### **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 G Lynch, reasons work commitments.
2. **Declaration of Interests** – None
3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting** - held on Monday 5 July 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** – A member of the public had some concerns raised by Gressland Court residents about 10/12 youths hanging around the bus stop and knocking on windows. Members of the public are advised to report any incident they are worried about to the police by calling 101 or reporting online.
7. **Youth Club** – The Hang Out is being well attended. The current agreement continues until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. It was requested that consideration be given for the agreement to run for a period of 2/3 years from that date. 4YP also plan to host further additional activity days in the summer holidays 2022. The Committee agreed and this would be discussed at the budget meeting.
8. **Millennium Jubilee Hall (MJH)** – It was reported that many new bookings have been taken for parties and activities at the hall.
9. **Play Areas, Open Spaces** –
  - a. Cedarwood Green Lighting. A letter has been hand delivered to residents overlooking Cedarwood Green to inform them that the lighting would go on at dusk from the 1<sup>st</sup> of October and turn off from 8pm in 5-minute intervals. Arrangements will be made with the company to arrange switch on.
  - b. Play Area Adoptions. The Town Council and East Suffolk have now both signed the contract for the adoptions of the Holly Road and Dobbs Drift play areas. Work is to commence by East Suffolk by December 2021 for refurbishment of these areas. It was

agreed that the Town Council would make investigations of the possibility of adopting other areas within Kesgrave from East Suffolk Council.

c. Pergola Piece – A Environmental grant received from East Suffolk Council has enabled improvement works to be carried out by the Town Council. It is anticipated that these will be completed by the end of September 2021. The Kesgrave Scouts will also be planting Ox- eye daisies

10. **Events –**

a. Preparations are under way for the upcoming Town Council events. The Senior Citizen Outing on 1<sup>st</sup> October, Fireworks on 7<sup>th</sup> November. Remembrance Service on 11<sup>th</sup> November, office to contact Rev Spittle re lighting of the beacon, light switch on and Ice Skating 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> November and Tree of Reflection 10<sup>th</sup> December. A date is being looked at for a Christmas Tea Party to be held at the MJH. JC-G asked if anyone was able to volunteer for any events.

b. Kesgrave Fun Day – The date of the Fun Day was agreed for Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022. It was agreed that participants will be written to informing of the new date.

11. **Budget –** The Chair requested that the Committee give any proposals for the budget to the office or himself.

12. **Other requests –** None

13. **Suggestions for Press and Media –** Advertise Fun Day 2022 and upcoming events

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) – The Chairman thanked David Mears for taking on the roles of British Legion Poppy appeal and tree representative for the Council

15. **Agenda Items for Next Meeting –** To consider any matters that members would like to discuss at the next meeting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 7.15pm in the Council Chamber at the Town Council Offices. (*Meeting closed at 19.59*)

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