

**MAGHULL TOWN COUNCIL**  
**COMMUNITY SUPPORT & ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE**  
**HELD 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Byrne (In the Chair) and Councillors (Cllrs) Josh Burns, Carlsen, Mullen and Shaw.

**ALSO PRESENT**

A. Spencer (Business Development and Contracts Manager); P. Challinor (Events Co-ordinator) and S. Larking (Minutes)

The Chair of the Committee (The Chair) welcomed everyone to the meeting. He thanked the Events Co-ordinator for the quality and detail of the papers and for taking on board feedback.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Carragher.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest received.

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None notified.

**4. MINUTES OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT & ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018**

The Chair noted that there was an action to review the location of Shakespeare in the Park. It was agreed that the event should only be hosted at Old Hall Field if Maghull Cricket Club (MCC) had signed the lease and paid rent. The Business Development and Contracts Manager reported that the lease was due to be signed by MCC trustees on 20 June 2018.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

**The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2018 were approved as a correct record.**

**5. COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE BUDGET AND WORK PROGRAMME 2018/19**

The Chair asked for clarification about the new report format. The Events Co-ordinator explained that the new format was agreed by Senior Managers and would help identify resource commitments. He ran through the report. He explained that the budget table (page 9 of the report) showed expenditure incurred or expected. He noted following points:

- Maghull Press had been reduced to 2 editions (from 4)
- Maghull Radio and podcast training would be considered following discussion about responses to the youth survey

#### Key points made by Cllrs in discussion

- Proposed expenditure for bonfire night keeps changing. Increased from £9,000 to £11,000 now over £14,000.

#### Neighbourhood Activities:

- 3a. Business over Breakfast. Agreed
- 3b. Strictly Tea Dancing: New project, some income as charge of £3.50 per person
- 3c. Bowls Open Day. Noted that is rained on the open day; actual expenditure lower than budget; bowling greens are being used
- 3d. Bowls for free: Noted that coaching would be provided by Holy Trinity Bowls club in Formby
- 3e. Neighbourhood Plan: Currently out to consultation. Noted that there may be savings
- 3f. Maghull Press. Agreed

#### Events:

- 4a. Maghullfest 2018. Report to follow.
- 4b. Pinder's Circus. Report to follow
- 4c. Shakespeare in the Park. Report to follow
- 4d. Maghull Civic Awards. Noted that this event had moved to early November due to the timing of meetings to consider nominations
- 4e. Merry Merry Maghull: Noted that location to be agreed. Paper to be presented to the next Committee meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> September. Cllr proposed buying a tree to plant in KGV park

#### Response by officers:

- Bonfire night expenditure consistent with previous reports; excludes potential income. Costs increased due to health and safety issues
- Idea for bowls for free came from Maghullfest 2017. Bowling coaching costs £15 per hour plus travel expenses; sessions being promoted through bowling clubs, within local schools and via MADCOS. Likely to be savings.
- Logistical issues for a Christmas event in KGV Park. Better Maghull considering options for event at Maghull Square. Budget may need to cover cost of tree. Will have clarification about funding for a tree from Sefton by September

#### RESOLVED THAT:

**1. The report be noted.**

**6. MAGHULL FEST 2018**

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The Events co-ordinator reported that Maghullfest is the annual summer event. It is on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2018. Income unclear at this stage. Most suppliers will provide 10% of their takings. They are small local businesses so the income has been set at a realistic level. In response to a comment from Cllrs about the donkeys, it was noted that there is an historical connection through a former Maghull Community Enterprise (MCE) employee. The Donkey supplier makes an annual donation to a donkey sanctuary. Parking will be available at St George's Catholic Primary School. Cllrs supporting the event should arrive by 11am.

Cllrs noted the thorough report. Cllr Carlsen gave his apologies as he has a family commitment that day.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1. Expenditure costs be approved**
- 2. Income agreements be approved**
- 3. Draft operational plan be approved**
- 4. Draft Emergency plan be approved**
- 5. The report be noted.**

**7. PINDER'S CIRCUS**

The Events Co-ordinator reported that approval was sought for the land licence agreement and land charges, £400, for the use of KGV Playing Field by Pinder's Circus.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1. Land license agreement approved;**
- 2. Land charges of £400 approved**
- 3. The report be noted.**

**8. SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK**

The Events co-ordinator set out proposals for the Shakespeare in the Park on Old Hall Field.

Key points made by Cllrs in discussion:

- Maghull Football Club to provide facilities. Maghull Cricket Club to be removed from proposals for this event until lease is signed and rent paid
- Noted that cost of porta-loos would be £800 and there is a fee of £21

**RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1. Old Hall Field approved as the location to stage Shakespeare in the Park  
Proposals and processes for Community Grant scheme approved**

2. **Option 1 for expenditure (welfare facilities to be provided by Maghull FC) approved**
3. **The report be noted.**

## **9. YOUTH SURVEY**

The Chair noted that the committee had requested the youth survey. He thanked the Events Co-ordinator for taking this forward and for the detail provided.

The Events Co-ordinator and Business Development and Contracts Manager ran through the headlines.

- 2 schools had taken part - Maricourt and Maghull. No response from Deyes. Three ways to respond
  - Survey Monkey
  - Maghull Town Council app
  - Paper survey
- 636 responses of which 217 from Maghull. Responses from Maghull residents separated. Most responses (75%) from 11-14 age group. Results not gender assigned.
- Top 5 new activities for all respondents:
  - Hair and beauty
  - Video games
  - Photography
  - Art classes
  - Cookery
- Top 3 for Maghull residents
  - Hair and beauty
  - Outdoor skills (building fires, forestry, plant identification)
  - Video games

The Events co-ordinated noted that £8,000 was available to host new activities in response to the survey.

Key points made by Cllrs in discussion:

- Great report, done well to get high level of participation
- Plans for rugby. Need an update from Cllr John Sayers about how plans are progressing
- Run taster sessions
- Important to educate about health and beauty
- Noted that Maghull High can provide cooking facilities

### **RESOLVED THAT:**

1. **Proposals to be developed for top 3 new activities (hair and beauty, outdoor skills and video games) identified by Maghull respondents**
2. **The report be noted.**

## **10. MAGHULL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND APPLICATIONS**

The Events Co-ordinator reported that 2 applications received. I did not meet the criteria. The application from Altside Scouting District, for £450, was approved.

### **RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1. Application for Community Grant by Altside Scouting District for £450 approved.**
- 2. The report be noted.**

## **11. GLEN PARK**

The Chair reported that Glen Park pavilion is used once a year as a polling station. The building is structurally sound. The proposal is to turn the building into a community facility for use by community organisations including the Citizens Advice Bureau and as a base for community outreach. A local contractor (and member of Business over Breakfast) had carried out an informal survey of the building to help identify costs for refurbishment. Estimated costs of £10, 000, excluding labour, for creating an office space, adapting the toilet so it is accessible for all users and for work to the floor. The aim would be to seek community support to develop the project e.g. for painting and some other works. The only alternative option would be demolition

Key points made by Cllrs in discussion:

- No base for community activities. Pavilion in Glen Park a good size and could help reduce ASB
- Building a waste as incurring utility costs
- S106 funding to be sought
- £10,000 very cheap
- Concerns about suitability of building as single brick and may not meet current insulation standards
- Officers to develop proposals for refurbishment

### **RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1. Officer to develop proposals for refurbishment of Glen Park pavilion as a community facility**
- 2. The report be noted.**

## **12. COMMUNITY DIRECTORY**

The Chair reported that he had attended the Sefton Older Person's Advocacy Group who had raised a number of issues. The group asked for information to be available about activities and events in Maghull. The Events Co-ordinator reported that Sefton CVS produced a directory. This was resource intensive and out of date quickly. A link to Sefton CVS would be added to the Town Council's website and details included in Maghull Press.

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The group said they did not understand the objectives for developers as set out in the Neighbourhood Plan. They would like a summary of key targets. Cllrs noted that this information was in the Neighbourhood Plan.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The report be noted.

**13. COMMUNITY GROUPS DAY**

The Chair reported that the Older Person's Advocacy Group had requested a community information event to promote what is happening in the local community.

The Events co-ordinator reported that Sefton CVS had reorganised into 3 teams – North, South and Central. Sefton CVS will be working with the Town Council to host drop in events every Wednesday at the Town Hall.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The report be noted.

**14 REFRESHMENTS FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS**

The Chair reported that the Older Person's Advocacy Group said that refreshments were no longer available for community groups using the Town Hall. He was unclear which group had raised this issue. It was noted that groups using the Town Hall have access to the drinks machine if using the Council Chamber, or facilities to provide drinks in other rooms.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The report be noted.

**14. CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair asked about setting up a youth council. It was noted that this was not identified as a priority in the youth survey. All secondary schools have youth councils.

1. The report be noted.



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**CHAIRMAN**