

Minutes

of the **Community Committee Meeting** held on 14 July 2008

Present: N Warden (Chair) E Cooper
C DeMyers-Robinson J Nicholas
C Osler G Small
I Stewart K Thomas

Visitors: Mr P Ballantyne & Mr M Legg (prospective councillors)

Clerk: C Gallacher
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1. Apologies and declarations of Interest

Apologies were received from D Livingstone
There were no declarations of interest.

2. Public Time

No issues were raised

3. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of 9 June 2008 were agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting.

4. Staff Reports

The youth team and wardens reports were noted and approved.

5 Grants & Projects

The representative of **MK ADHD** Group was unable to attend and this item was deferred to next meeting of the committee.

It was resolved to approve funding of 50% of the cost of extending the exterior all-weather surface at **Emerson Valley Community Centre**, with the Centre management committee providing the balance of monies required. The funding to be taken from the commuted sum held for the Community Centre.

A request for support from **MK Cats Protection** was noted and it was agreed the warden should meet them to discuss their needs and ideas.

The meeting received a report that stall holders at the **Farmers Market** had concerns with operating on the grass surface, especially in wet weather and that MK Council had refused permission for signage as being inappropriate. It was agreed to try to obtain copy of the

letter of refusal from MKC so that this could be discussed further with the authority and also to discuss with Hertsmere Leisure possible use of the hard surface areas at Tattenhoe Pavilion.

NAGs

Tattenhoe, Westcroft & Kingsmead – councillors reported that MK Council support was almost non-existent and the nominated officer had not been replaced when he left MKC. It was agreed that strong representations be made to MKC/Community Safety Partnership as residents were becoming very discouraged and membership was flagging.

Emerson Valley & SBE – N Warden reported on discussions with the Co-op store in Emerson Valley, which appeared to have resulted in stronger action to prevent alcohol sales to under-age groups.

Shenley Lodge & Furzton – The clerk reported on discussions regarding Edison Square refurbishment and the possible use of the Parking Toolkit.

A proposal from Thames Valley Police for a leaflet to publicise increased bicycle theft was noted but it was agreed that requested funding for this should be referred to the relevant NAG.

Requests for additional dog waste bins in two areas were noted, but it was decided that these would not be beneficial if installed in the suggested areas.

6. Proposal for joint working.

The meeting noted the proposal from Shenley Church End Parish Council for joint working on youth projects, but it was decided that managing youth workers for another body would be inappropriate. It was agreed that the youth team leader could offer consultative services and some participation in setting up youth facilities and that joint recruitment (with each party responsible for its own management) should be investigated, including employment of trainees.

7. Correspondence.

Consideration of the annual 'Big Tidy Up' was deferred to the full council meeting.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 20h30

Signed.....Chair