

## Minutes

of the **Community Committee Meeting** held on 12 November 2007

**Present:** N Warden (Chair) E Cooper  
D Livingstone J Napper  
C Osler C Williams

**Clerk:** C Gallacher

	Action
<p><b>1. Apologies and declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from C DeMyers-Robinson, J Nicholas, G Small, I Stewart and K Thomas.</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest</p> <p><b>2. Public Time</b></p> <p>No issues were raised.</p> <p><b>3. Minutes</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting on 8 October 2007 were agreed and signed as a true record.</p> <p><b>4. Staff Reports</b></p> <p>The warden and youth team reports were noted and approved. The meeting congratulated Andy Ridgway on the depth and effectiveness of the work being done by the youth team.</p> <p>It was also reported to the meeting that MK Council is about to instigate enforcement action regarding the problems at Loxbeare Drive, mentioned in the warden's problem log.</p> <p><b>5. Projects and Grants</b></p> <p>The clerk's report was noted.</p> <p><u>Grants &amp; Projects</u></p> <p>The meeting received a brief report on the review meetings of the Neighbourhood Action Group, which had been poorly attended, and further action being taken to obtain residents' views on issues affecting life in the Furzton &amp; Shenley Lodge Neighbourhood Policing area. It was also noted that a letter is being sent to licensed premises in the area seeking cooperation to reduce underage drinking.</p>	

<p>It was noted that the planned meeting with WREN has not yet taken place to discuss the funding application for Edison Square.</p> <p>It was resolved to recommend to full council a grant of £125 to Mrs K Yates at Shenley Brook End Village Hall for the annual Christmas party for elderly residents.</p> <p>The meeting also noted a grant application from ‘Clever Cooks’ but agreed this did not meet the council criteria for funding and should be declined.</p> <p><b>6. Grant process</b></p> <p>The meeting noted the grant process used by a neighbouring parish council but felt that this was too detailed to replace our existing system. It was agreed, however, that parts of this process could be usefully incorporated into our process, notably the guidance for applicants, the requirement for applicants to attend meetings (in the majority of cases), council ownership of any equipment purchased using a grant, and a requirement for successful applicants to report outcomes against targets and to supply articles. The clerk was instructed to prepare new process guidelines for approval by full council.</p> <p><b>7. Budget suggestions</b></p> <p>The meeting noted the need for proposals for projects for next financial year and the schedule for the budget process in the coming months. It was suggested that sums be set aside for consultancy on issues where the council might benefit from specialist advice.</p> <p><b>8 Correspondence</b></p> <p>The meeting noted the submission dates for bids against the various partnership funds offered by Milton Keynes Council.</p> <p>There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20h24.</p>	<p><b>clerk</b></p>
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