



# Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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**Chairman:** Cllr Doug Cracknell | **Vice Chairman:** Cllr Keith Evans

**Town Clerk:** Helen Symmons PSLCC



MINUTES OF A MEETING  
COMMUNITY & CULTURE COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2021  
Leigh-on-Sea Community Centre

Present: Cllrs: David Bowry, Doug Cracknell, Emma Mills, Emma Smith and Andy Wilkins

Absent: Cllrs: Keith Evans, Anita Forde, James Preston and Mike Wells

In attendance: Helen Symmons (Town Clerk) and Cllr Carole Mulronev

***The meeting opened at 7.31pm***

23. CHAIRMAN'S AND HOUSEKEEPING ANNOUNCEMENTS

In the absence of the Committee Chairman, the Committee Vice Chairman chaired the meeting and welcomed all. Housekeeping announcements were made.

24. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Keith Evans, Anita Forde and James Preston. Apologies from Cllr Wells were not given at the meeting but an email giving his apologies had been sent shortly before the meeting commenced which had not been seen.

25. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

***Cllr Mulronev declared a non-pecuniary interest in any agenda items where Southend Borough Council were mentioned being a Borough Councillor.***

26. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2021

The minutes of the Community & Culture Committee meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021 were **AGREED** as an accurate record of the meeting and signed.

27. PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS

There were none

28. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

LEIGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

29. FACILITIES REPORT

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

30. BOOKINGS REPORT

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

31. LORNA & LOTTIE'S REPORT

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

32. ARTS GROUP REPORT

The Committee **NOTED** the report. Cllr Bowry advised that a meeting of the Arts Group was to take place 11<sup>th</sup> August to discuss the Poetry evenings.

<b>ALLOTMENTS</b>
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33. ALLOTMENTS REPORT

The Committee **NOTED** the report. Cllr Cracknell advised that he was judging the Leigh site plots for their internal competition on 11<sup>th</sup> August.

<b>COMMUNITY FACILITIES</b>
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34. SKATEPARK

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

35. STRAND WHARF

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

36. PADDLING POOL

The Committee **NOTED** the report. The Town Clerk was asked to consider the storage of the sandbags after the pool is repaired as they could be a useful tool for residents in the old Town against flooding.

<b>HEALTH &amp; WELLBEING PROGRAMMES</b>
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37. EVENTS

The Committee **NOTED** the reports.

38. COUNCILLOR MOTION – BUNTING WORKSHOPS **Agenda item 16**

There was much discussion about the project which was all very positive. The Committee **RESOLVED** that bunting workshops be held in early 2022 with a budget of £1,000 to encourage as many residents/streets to take part. The budget is to be vired from H&W General events.

39. FARMERS' MARKET

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

40. COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

The Committee **NOTED** the report and thanked the Community Transport Officer for all her work in restarting the programme and keeping in contact with programme members all through the COVID pandemic.

41. CHILDRENS' SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

**ENVIRONMENT FACILITIES & SERVICES**

42. CHRISTMAS LIGHTING

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

43. COUNCILLOR LITTER PICKS

The Committee **NOTED** the report. The date for the first litter pick is Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August in the Old Town. Cllr Mulrone in her capacity as a Borough Councillor gave the Committee an update on the issues the Borough Council is facing.

**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMMES**

44. SPECIAL CONSTABLES

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

45. YOUTH CLUB

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES FUNDING**

46. FIRST AID POST

The Committee **NOTED** the report. The planning application has now been submitted and the Town Clerk has reviewed this and confirmed provision has been made for a First Aid room on the ground floor.

**FINANCE**

47. COMMITTEE BUDGET REPORT

The Committee **NOTED** the report.

**CONSULTATIONS**

48. SOUTHEND BOROUGH COUNCIL – PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

The Committee **NOTED** the report and agreed with the approach.

***The meeting closed at 8.30 pm***