

Worthing County Local Committee

25 February 2019 – At a meeting of the Committee at 7.00 pm held at Worthing Library, Richmond Road, Worthing, BN11 1HD.

Present:

Mr High (Chairman) (Worthing West;), Mrs Sparkes (Cissbury;), Lt Cdr Atkins (Durrington & Salvington;), Mr Cloake (Worthing Pier;), Mr R J Oakley (Worthing East;), Mr Smytherman (Tarring;), Mr Turner (Broadwater;) and Mr Waight (Goring;)

Apologies were received from Mr McDonald (Northbrook;)

26. Welcome and Introductions

26.1 The Chairman welcomed all members to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllr Sean McDonald

27. Declarations of Interest

27.1 In accordance with the Members Code of Conduct Mr Smytherman declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 8, as the Chairman of the Worthing Dementia Friendly Alliance, who had submitted an application to the Committee for Community Initiative Funding.

28. Minutes

28.1 RESOLVED that the Minutes of the last meeting, held on 5 November 2018, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

29. Urgent Matters

29.1 There were no urgent matters.

30. Update on Urgent Actions

30.1 The Committee received an update on a decision taken through the Council's Urgent Action process.

30.2 The Decision was to nominate the appointment of a local authority governor to the Elm Grove Primary School.

31. Progress Statement

31.1 The Committee received a progress statement relating to matter in the area.

31.2 The area highways manager gave an update on items included.

32. Community Hubs - Consultation Responses

32.1 The Chairman invited Cllr Mr Kevin Boram to address the Committee as the elected Chairman of the Community Hubs Members steering group.

32.2 Mr Boram delivered an update on the work of the steering group and what progress to date.

32.3 The Committee agreed on the usefulness of the project and thanked the steering group for their contribution and continued hard work. The Chairman thanked Mr Boram for the update.

33. Dementia Friends presentation

33.1 The Chairman invited Ms. Lynsey Tran to address the committee regarding the work on Worthing Dementia action alliance.

33.2 Ms Tran delivered a presentation, detailing the work that had been completed by the Worth Dementia Action Alliance. Ms. Tran advised that her post had only been funded for one year and she was seeking additional funding in order to continue with her work.

33.3 The Committee agreed the alliance was necessary to break down barriers for communicating in the community and allow individuals suffering with dementia and Alzheimer's to still interact with their community.

33.4 Ms. Tran provided statistical information on the levels of Dementia in the local area and how important it was to address the issue. The Committee expressed thanks to Ms Tran for her informative presentation.

34. Community Initiative Funding (W08(18/19))

34.1 At its meeting on 25 February 2019 the Worthing County Local Committee considered the Community Initiative Funding applications received via the West Sussex Crowd as set out in Appendix A.

RESOLVED that the following pledges be approved:-

- 291/W – Home Start Arun, Worthing and Adur Parenting Workshops, up to £3,000 toward venue hire and marketing costs.
- 298/W – East Worthing Community Centre, New soft play surface at E W Community centre, up to £5,000 toward extending the existing soft play area surrounding the building
- 301/W – We Are Foodpioneers, Food for conversation in Worthing, up to £4482 toward funding cookery sessions, space hire and marketing costs.
- 325/W – Worthing Philharmonic Orchestra 70th Anniversary, up to £3,151 toward purchasing a stage extension.
- 326/W – Friends of Downsbrook Forest School, up to £6,000, toward building a 'forest school' for pupils and a dedicated cabin for

the community.

- 328/W – Tide of Light, Planet Plastic Schools Workshops, up to £3379.52 towards the cost of running 8 recycling workshops for schoolyears aged 2 to 5.
- 333/W – Worthing Dementia Action Alliance, Dementia Friendly Adur and Worthing, up to £2680 (plus any unallocated CIF from the 18/19 financial year).
- 334/W – Friends of Homefield Park, Homefield, Worthing People's park, up to £3504, toward delivering community workshops and producing park info boards.

35. Talk With Us Open Forum

35.1 The Chairman invited members of the public to ask questions of the committee on matters of County Council Business.

36.2 A question was asked regarding broadband cable work being carried out by City Fibre in the area resulting in paving slabs being removed and replaced with tarmac. The Committee expressed concern that the replacement road coverings were not 'like for like' and were detrimental to the area. It was advised by the Area Highways Manager that City Fibre had up to 6 Months to replace these slabs properly and would only be able to take any enforcement action after that time. The Committee expressed thanks to the member of the public for raising the issue.

36.3 It was asked if the Community Initiative fund was being cut within the next financial year. The Chairman of the Committee, also Chairman for the CLC review working group advised a review of CLC was ongoing and any proposed cuts would be factored into this.

36. Authority School Governors (W09(18/19))

36.1 RESOLVED that the following nominations for appointment and reappointment as Local Authority School Governors be approved:

- Mrs Stephanie Lewis appointed to Chesswood Junior School for a Four year term.
- Mr John Daughtery reappointed to Durrington Infant and Durrington Junior School Federation.

37. Date of Next Meeting

37.1 The Chairman confirmed the next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for 8 July 2019.

Chairman

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm