

# **FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL**

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Clerk: Sally Thurston



<b>Minutes of Community and Partnerships Committee meeting held on Wednesday 8th Oct at 7.30pm in the Jubilee Room, the Pump House, Faringdon</b>	
<b>Cllrs. present:</b>	<b>Bethia Thomas (Chair)</b> <b>Peter Castle</b> <b>Liz Swallow</b> <b>Mike Wise</b> <b>Kimberley Morgan</b> <b>Julie Farmer</b>
<b>In attendance:</b>	<b>Cllr. Rosalind Burns</b> <b>Jo King</b> <b>Sally Thurston</b>
<b>Minute No:</b> (item/meeting/year)	<b>Mairead Boyce Faringdon Food Bank</b> <b>Peter Harbor, Wantage Independent Advice Centre</b>
<b>1/5/19</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> Cllrs Lucy Martin and Stephen Smith
<b>2/5/19</b>	<b>Minutes of last meeting</b> The minutes of the Community and Partnership Committee meeting held on Wednesday 3rd July 2019 were signed as a correct record.
<b>3/5/19</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> Cllr Morgan - Trustee Wantage Independent Advice Centre
<b>4/5/19</b>	<b>Public Question and Speaking Time</b> No members of the public wishes to speak at this time.
<b>5/5/19</b>	<b>Partnerships Update</b> a) Members NOTED report from Faringdon Food Bank It was highlighted: donations going well, explained how food bank individually tailors their donations to recipients depending on circumstances. b) Members NOTED report from Wantage Independent Advice Centre It was highlighted: Change of name for group is imminent. 158 drives for Faringdon residents, mainly to hospitals. Good Neighbour Scheme active in Faringdon. Looking to extend services to West Vale. c) Members NOTED report from Citizens Advice d) Pump House Project, Cllr Wise, Bentley and Martin attended meeting. Andy Brown has been appointed as Chair. Lottery Grant project Brighter Futures underway.
<b>6/5/19</b>	<b>The Place</b> Members NOTED a report from The Place.
<b>7/5/19</b>	<b>Finance</b> a) A financial report was NOTED.  b) Capital projects 2020/21 Clerk to look at potential projects from Climate Change emergency meeting.
<b>8/5/19</b>	<b>Safeguarding Officer</b> It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED to appoint Cllr. Thomas as Town Council Safeguarding Lead

9/5/19	<p><b>Volunteer Policy</b> It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED to APPROVE the policy</p>
10/5/19	<p><b>Motion under notice</b> It was PROPOSED, by Cllr. Farmer, that the '<i>Deputy Mayor runs an annual competition to engage the people and businesses of Faringdon. Each year the Deputy Mayor would select a category, for example Art, Business, Innovation, Science</i>'. With a budget of £725. The Clerk advised that there was currently no budget in place therefore, if the committee agreed, it would need to be recommended to the Finance and Audit Committee. Members felt it was a good idea but were concerned about costs and responsibility for future Deputy Mayors. Cllr. Castle PROPOSED an amendment to the motion, that options for sponsorship and cost savings be considered and then motion be represented to the Finance and Audit Committee. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED</p>
11/5/19	<p><b>Motion under notice</b> <i>To assist Faringdon Community College deliver a Mental Health Trail.</i> This motion was withdrawn prior to meeting. FCC have been advised about Youth Grants.</p>
12/5/19	<p><b>Community Engagement</b> a) To receive and consider an update on recent community engagement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YOCO event, awaiting Launch</li> <li>• Bronze Duke of Edinburgh events evening at Faringdon Community College, NOTED piece in FCC newsletter thanking FTC for grant.</li> </ul> b) Members considered a draft communications plan, which was circulated prior to meeting. It was NOTED to take to Faringdon Town Council, including volunteers for engagement events, articles for Folly</p>
13/5/19	<p><b>Youth Grants</b> a) An Update was NOTED, no applications were received in this round. b) It was PROPOSED that Cllrs. Castle and Martin be delegated to attend an exploratory trip to Thame, with an officer, to investigate how they funded youth projects. This was RESOLVED. Cllr, Thomas would be a reserve.</p>
14/5/19	<p><b>Community Cinema</b> Members NOTED an update on the Regent Cinema, with thanks.</p>
15/5/19	<p><b>Food Bank</b> Members NOTED an update in minute number 5/5/19</p>
16/5/19	<p><b>Youth Arts Sessions</b> Members NOTED an update</p>
17/5/19	<p><b>Pride 2020</b> Following on from a Strategic Working Party recommendation. Cllr Burns suggested a series of events to celebrate LGBTQ history month It was PROPOSED to take this this project forward and to allocate a budget of £200. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED. A detailed proposal of events would be brought to the next meeting</p>
18/5/19	<p><b>Items for Information Only</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Clerk informed members that a grant of £1000 was still being held for a Food Festival. Investigations for the possibility of a festival were ongoing for 2021.</li> </ul> </p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An invite to an Exhibition of Rotary activities on 20/11/19 had been received</li> <li>• A meeting with Rotary regarding Festive Faringdon had taken place</li> <li>• A Children's Christmas Card competition had been launched</li> <li>• Youth and Craft market would be held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2019</li> <li>• The Vale Community Awards had taken place</li> <li>• An invite for World Mental Health event on 10<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019 had been received.</li> </ul>
<b>19/5/19</b>	<p><b>Agenda items for the meeting to be held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mental Health Trail – FCC</li> <li>• Pride</li> </ul>

**The meeting closed at 8.50pm**