

JMC minutes-16th March 2023

Attendees:- Anita Leech, Jenni Jones, Paul Townley, Cllr Angie Davies, Cllr Karl Greaney, Lol Mousdale

Apologies -Jane Davies, Tina Amis, Vera Duckworth, Michelle Langan, Helen Collinson, invited guest Barry Fox has sent his apologies.

Minutes from last meeting-Jenni Jones has received the report from Prima. PAUL TOWNLEY to speak to Zarah from the Anti social behaviour team. KG to chase the assets team, Karl met the week before and has raised the CCTV and lighting issues at Leasowe Community Centre. PAUL TOWNLEY has thanked Vera for all her hard work since Danny has been off.

Correspondence -P Townley has had an email regarding the bin shed, this is now in process and the bin shed built by WBC. P Townley had correspondence from BT asking if we wanted to go into the phone book, however the cost is too great-JMC agreed costings is too high.

Angie Davies to ask Barry Fox to attend the next JMC.

Treasurers Report Paul Townley delivered his report, in healthy position with finances, most of the money should be spent this financial year, but some monies will be carried forward. Paul is preparing the accounts for the accountant for the year end. HAF funding has been confirmed, Household support fund return has been done and sent back. Police monies will be carried forward to next financial year. We have had youth meetings with partners and Michelle Langan and the conversations will continue.

Health and safety no issues to report, the only ongoing issue is the bin shed that has been discussed. The ongoing issues with the flooding and the path, the issue that this is an unadopted path, however it comes under the council assets department. This is issue is ongoing.

Angie Davies delivered the councils report, this focused on meeting with the assets team to look at co-location of the Development trust into the community centre and part of Wirral Radio space, this is still with the assets team, however significant work needs to be done to the exterior of the building, flooding and lighting. Paul Caldwell if due to go back and look at plans for this. Addy has been saved from closure by the council.

Jenni Jones asked if there is any monies from the council for running the libraries. Local elections coming up and people will need ID to vote at the polling station.

Paul Townley delivered Snr Play worker report, Danny is still not back in work, Paul is still supporting Vera and the other staff at the Addy.

Paul Townley delivered the Autumn club report, has taken on more clients, the shop is continuing to be busy and is using the money from the 50k fund for goods for the social supermarket.

Prima Housing Anita Leech delivered a report, Prima has got the big door knock that is taking part across the group, the purpose of this is to engage more with tenants and look into any significant problems, such as mould and damp, a local hoarder's group has been started by a tenant and Jenny Devon. Prima has a hardship fund called the Helping Hands fund, this is to avoid issues escalating with tenants. Jenni Jones asked what will be happening with the benefits service post April as the trust is no longer being funded to support people In Leasowe-AL to ask at board meeting.

Anita Leech thanked the community and organisations for all the hard work in the campaign to save the Addy and spoke about the excellent behaviour of the children.

Wirral Development Trust Jenni Jones delivered her report, discussed that Prima is no longer funding WDT, however they have a years running cost and is busy applying for more funding for partnership with LYPCA for the lottery, have been successful with the HAF funding for Easter and will apply for Summer when this comes out.

Boxing Club Terry Finlay delivered the boxing club report, had the annual show was a bit challenging due to lack of boxers available locally, but was a good night. JENNI JONES discussed that Barry Fox was interested in meeting with Terry about the use of the boxing club for other users such as Emily from the youth group, who is interested in setting up female groups and life coaching. JENNI JONES then discussed if partnership working could be developed between Terry and Emily and Barry, Terry is happy for this. Boxing club is working with Oldershaw school to bring young people in to use the boxing club with the funding they have from the police. TF discussed the new build and the progress of this. They have a run coming up in memory of Brett Jones. Terry talked about the challenges of getting the WIFI sorted for the building and the bills.

Allotments Lol Mousedale delivered his report, fencing has been completed between the allotments and the school. Been looking into running a shop from the allotments for things like compost, seeds, they are now looking for a shed that was on council land, if they could have it, waiting for the council to get back to them, the allotments are also looking for a small container, asked the councillors to see if there is any available for free. AL to look into this, Lol has planted lots of seeds for Leasowe in Bloom and they are growing now for Jenni Jones to plant. Jenni Jones asked Paul Townley to look into the progress of the new memorial planter, as the current one needs replacing.

AOB-Jenni Jones discussed the 6 weekly meetings and do we need to revise this?, discussed at JMC and Paul will look at the constitution, Anita Leech asked for the JMC meetings to a line up when events or holidays are happening, look to change to 6 times per year. Jenni and Paul to look into dates and send out. Barry Fox to be invited to next meeting.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 11th May at 10.30 at Leasowe Community Centre.