

Minutes 6th February 2020
Elmstead Parish Council – New Community Centre Committee
Community Centre, School Road, Elmstead Market, CO7 7ET

Present: Cllrs Paul Beard, John Gray and Martine Ward. Mrs P Anderson, Mrs C Brock, Mr R Fairweather (Vice Chair), Mrs J Triscott and Mrs R Valentine.

Also present: Mrs Baxter (clerk) and 1 member of the public (Cllr Steve Walsh).

Not present: Mrs J Grotier, Mr S Higgins, Mrs D Stammers and Mr S Wright.

- 20/001 Chairman's welcome.**
Cllr Beard welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming.
- 20/002 Apologies of Absence.**
Apologies were received from Mr Higgins, Mrs Stammers and Mr Wright.
- 20/003 Declaration of Pecuniary Interests and Non Pecuniary Interests.**
None.
- 20/004 Approval and signing of the minutes from the meeting of 2nd January 2020.**
It was resolved to accept the minutes from 2nd January as true and accurate.
Proposed: Mr Fairweather, Seconded: Cllr Gray, all in favour.
- 20/005 Report on actions from the last Committee meeting not included elsewhere on the agenda to include:**
A report from the TDC planning committee meeting of 14th January regarding PLANNING APPLICATION – 18/01884/FUL – LAND TO THE WEST OF CHURCH ROAD ELMSTEAD CO7 7AW.
Cllr Beard went to the meeting with Mr Fairweather, Mrs Triscott and Mrs Brock. Cllr Beard and Mr Fairweather spoke about the application. The application was approved with the £400k contribution to the New Community Centre and allotments, although they could not say how many allotments there would be.
- 20/006 A report on any other updates since the last Committee meeting.**
Mr Fairweather reported that Mr Tedder is hoping to have a sales office functioning by March 2020 and a show home open by May. Go Homes has not made a decision about the land that was originally to be allotments.
Cllr Gray has looked up Sports England funding, they can help but it will have to be a multi-sport offering, not just football. The FA will also support it.
There was a discussion around options for the playing field. Cllr Gray spoke about the fitness track around the perimeter which can be funded as discussed with TDC. There was a discussion about the risk of putting equipment around a football pitch and someone running into it and hurting themselves.
There was a discussion about the size of MUGA that will be able to fit in, we'll need someone who does them to come and see us. The MUGA should bring in revenue.
- 20/007 Subcommittee reports:**
i) Funding update and feedback from other community centre projects.
On the 28th March there will be a Fashion and Fizz fundraiser for the New Community Centre.
The subcommittee were asked if they will be visiting any more community centres as Cllr Beard was interested in the security measures for the offices and the safety of employees. They have already visited lots and are not planning on visiting more.
ii) Designs and plans for the new hall to include feedback from a meeting with Nigel Tedder on 23rd January and subsequent communications.
Mr Tedder is awaiting the council approval of the new specification. The issues we raised have been addressed; a sprung floor, solar panels, the ceiling height and

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the number of car park spaces. Cllr Gray will add an office window and security to the specification.

The approval of the specification is to be added to the agenda for the next council meeting.

20/008 A discussion on any actions to take going forward.

Cllr Gray asked that a vote of thanks to Mrs Triscott and her team be recorded for a very enjoyable quiz night, organised as a fund raiser for the New Community Centre.

If anyone visits other community centres please take a look at the office set up and what type of barrier they use for the car park.

20/009 Matters raised by Councillors for the next agenda or for information only.

None.

20/010 Date of next committee meeting – Thursday 5th March 2020.

Signed.....A Baxter.....Clerk to the Council – Angela Baxter