

RUSHDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2022 AT RUSHDEN HALL, COMMENCING AT 7.30PM.

Present: Councillor: Tracey Smith – Chairman

Councillors: Marian Hollomon Janet Pinnock
Richard Lewis Adrian House,
Paul Harley Adrian Winkle
Joe Norris Cameron Clarke
Melanie Coleman Barbara Jenney
Gill Mercer Kaye Rawlins
Carol Childs David Coleman
Andy Mercer (Representing North Northants Council)

Town Clerk: Vivienne Prodger

210/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

211/23 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Cesare Marinaro

212/23 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee held on 4th October 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

213/23 EVENTS WORKING PARTY

Members had been circulated with a copy of the reports from the Events Working Party meetings held on 1st November 2022

RESOLVED

That the reports from the Events Working Party meetings held on 1st November 2022 be appended to these minutes and any actions or recommendations contained therein, be approved.

214/23 POLICING AND HIGHWAYS

Policing

Members discussed several policing issues and the following matters were to be referred to the Community Sargent:-

1. At approx 7pm on 14.11.2022 when our team were working on erecting the Christmas lights an unlicensed motorcycle with two riders both of a very young age wearing hoodies entered the High St from Newton Rd by turning right, at speed. They were known to passers-by who were annoyed by the cyclists' actions.

This same motor bike described as YELLOW with a chrome silencer which was known as a " HONDA Monkey Bike" has also been causing problems elsewhere in Rushden around housing estates.

2. Fitzwilliam St - "Rush to the Den" are experiencing problems with youths making a nuisance of themselves in the alleyway at the side of their building which accesses the public car park at the rear.
3. Do you have any feedback (good or bad) regarding the remembrance services conducted on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday please.
4. Finally, could you please advise us regarding the possible sighting of some seat benches in The Mallards? They have been requested by dog walkers who use the park.

Highways

Cllr Andy Mercer spoke about several Highways issues – including the provision of a ‘no right turn’ sign for people leaving Orbit Tyres.

Members were asked to consider any other Highways issues throughout the town and send there comments to the Town Clerk.

215/23 COMMUNICATIONS

Members discussed the Communications reported below

Below is the link to my presentation which I will go over at the meeting, but thought it would be helpful for you to have a copy to refer to

https://www.canva.com/design/DAFQygdFX5c/EIMNYvrcme8nbcbrsxdkJQ/view?utm_content=DAFQygdFX5c&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=publishsharelink

216/23 PROVISION OF A WARM ROOM

Cllr Janet Pinnock reported that the Warm Room project at Rushden Hall, this commenced on 4th November and the numbers had increased at the next meeting.

Members agreed this was a very good community project and thanked Janet for her efforts in getting the project off the ground.

217 /23 PROJECTS AND MAINTENANCE WORK IN PROGRESS

WARD	Location	Job Description	Contractor	Start Date	Completion Date
Sartoris West Ward	Rushden Hall	Interior Painting new offices	In House	September 2022	
	Hall Park	Sensory Garden Additional benches and fencing	various	October 2022	
	Rushden Hall	Stone Buttress adjacent to car park	J Swann	October 2022	Completed
	Hall Park	Interactive Hall Park and Sensory Garden Guide Town Guide Interactive Map complete	Pilot Marketing Town Guide final now completed and on website	June 2022	Completed

			Sensory Garden work in progress		
	Rushden Hall	Installation of computer network system for new offices	CSR Digital LTD	September 2022	Completed
	Hall Park	Walled Garden internal wall	J Swann Stoneworks	August 2022	Completed
	Hall Park	Resurfacing footpath from Wymington Road entrance	TBC		
	Hall Car park	Resurfacing carpark near Sensory Garden entrance – disabled parking	TBC		

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Spencer North Ward	Spencer Park	Tennis Court Management Gates	LTA	October 2022	
	Spencer Park	Bowling Pavilion Refurbishment	TBC	TBC	
	Spencer Park	Annual tree maintenance	Turneys	October 2022	
	Spencer Park	Resurfacing footpath	TBC		

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Sartoris East	Cemetery	Treeworks	Turneys	October 2022	
	Cemetery	Memorial Wall construction	PAD Builders	September 2022	Completed
	Jubilee	Art work on pavilion	Mark Pacan	June 2022	
	Jubilee	Play equipment	TBC	TBC	
	Jubilee	Zip Wire	TBC	TBC	

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Pemberton	Rose Avenue	Removal of concrete standing – proposal for Community Garden?			

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Bates	Manor Park	Revised Master Plan	Hinton Cook	October 2022	Completed
	Sports site	Master Plan	Hinton Cook	Submitted to ENC December 2019	Completed
	Manor Park	Revised Viability Study	King West	October 2022	
	Ascot Drive	New play equipment	TBC	June 2022	Completed

WARD	Location	Job Description	Contractor	Start Date	Completion Date
Hayden Central	Area off Orchard Place car park – Welcome Back Fund	Deep clean, refurb bin store, gable wall re paint Brick Wall repairs	Inter County TBC	March 2022 October 2022	Completed
	Area adjacent to Iceland Car Park – Welcome Back Fund	Additional planting and removal of fence	Various	November 2022	

Winter planting/hanging baskets and barrier baskets now completed

Chairman