



HOCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes from the online Forward Plan Committee meeting held on Thursday 25th March 2021 at 7.00pm.

<u>Chairman:</u>	Cllr. P. Meacham	
<u>Councillors:</u>	Cllr. N. Boxall Cllr. B. Thorogood	Cllr. S. Martin Cllr. L. Vingoe
<u>Officers:</u>	Kelly Holland, Clerk	
<u>Members of the public:</u>	None	

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Committee meeting.

FOR20/50 Apologies for Absence

None received.

FOR20/51 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes from the Forward Plan Committee meeting held on 11th February 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman after the meeting.

FOR20/52 Declarations of Interests

None.

FOR20/53 Public Participation

None present.

FOR20/54 Partnership Working

Members received an update regarding the work experience proposal, the Clerk advised that the office were working with Greensward Academy in relation to health and safety which included checks that would need to be undertaken. It was noted that this could be extended to other local schools if successful.

Contact had been made with Greensward Academy regarding the youth council who were very interested in the idea. The Clerk had been in contact with other Councils who had provided documentation that they had used, the need for the youth council to have its own budget was highlighted. It was suggested that a representative attend the youth engagement conference provided by the Essex Association of Local Councils on 28th April 2021. Members discussed a launch date for the youth council.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the Committee **RECOMMED** to the Resources and Procedures Committee for Cllrs. S. Martin and B. Thorogood to attend the youth engagement conference;
- (b) the youth council be launched from 1st September 2021.

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Committee Actions

A list of all Council Committee actions had been compiled into one list, members discussed the content of the plan. It was noted that some actions could be joined together and that others did not currently have a budget.

Members considered the Dementia friendly communities idea from the Forward Plan Working Group, Cllr. Thorogood had recently attended a training session on the subject and was willing to investigate the idea further.

Local traffic information incorporated onto the Council website was also considered, the Clerk would investigate if this was possible. There followed a general discussion regarding local roads.

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Community Engagement

The draft resident's survey was discussed, members considered what information they wanted to receive from the survey. Members agreed to forward any suggestions for improvement to the Clerk which could be incorporated before the next meeting of the committee. There was a brief discussion on whether the Council offer a prize draw as an incentive to complete the survey.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the resident's survey would be published by the end of April 2021;
- (b) prize ideas be considered at the next meeting of the committee.

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Items for the next agenda

No items raised.

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Date of future meetings

The next meeting of the Forward Plan Committee will be held on Thursday 15th April 2021 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.16pm

Signed:

Chairman

Date:
