

Billingham Town Council

Minutes of the Community Wellbeing Committee Meeting Thursday 26th May 2022 at 3.30pm Held at Billingham Library & Customer Service Centre, Billingham

Present Councillors: Helen Atkinson (Vice Chairman of Committee)
Ann McCoy (Chairman of Committee)
Jim Scollen

Official: Vicky Lloyd, Deputy Town Clerk

Apologies: Cllr Gina McCall (personal)
Cllr Clare Gamble (business)

41/22 CHAIRMANS ANNOUCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements on this occasion.

42/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest on this occasion.

43/22 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present and no questions received on this occasion.

**44/22 MINUTES OF COMMUNITY WELLBEING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
ON 21st APRIL 2022**

Members were asked to approve the above draft minutes.

RESOLVED

- (i) That the minutes of the above meeting held on 21st April 2022, a copy of which had been previously circulated to each member, be approved, and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

45/22 REVIEW OF ACTION PLAN

Members reviewed the action plan.

Billingham's Blooming Best Gardening Competition 2022

The competition will close on the 19th of August. Members requested details be circulated to local schools and advertised in the Stockton & Billingham Life newspaper.

Amateur Photographic Calendar Competition 2022

The competition will close on the 2nd of September. Maximum of two photos per entrant.

Both competitions have been launched on social media.

Monthly Themed Household Health Check Pop Ups

Cllr McCoy requested that feedback be obtained from Billingham Communities in respect of uptake from residents at the sessions and topics which had triggered the most engagement.

RESOLVED

- (i) That the update be noted.

46/22 COMMUNITY PANTRY

Cllr Atkinson and Cllr McCoy along with the Deputy Town Clerk had visited Chads Pantry, St Chads Church, Roseworth on the 28th of April to see a community pantry in operation. Representatives from Billingham Team Parish to be invited to attend a future meeting to explore how we can work in partnership to start a local pantry.

Cooking on a budget

Members had received a quotation from Sprouts Community Food Charity to facilitate cooking workshops. To be deferred.

RESOLVED

- (i) That the update be noted.
- (ii) Members agreed to defer this item to the next meeting of this Committee in June.

47/22 SOUP & SANDWICH PROJECT

This initiative will be launched from Café in the Park overseen by Cllr Atkinson, one day a week (start date to be confirmed), to help tackle social isolation, food insecurity, financial exclusion, and mental health issues. Clients will be recommended into the service from partner agencies i.e. Foodbank, Social Prescribing Link Workers, Social Workers and GP practices.

RESOLVED

- (i) Information duly noted.

48/22 HOLIDAY ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME (HEP) – May Half Term Holidays

The Town Council have been successful with our application for funding from the programme delivered by Stockton on Tees Borough Council working with Catalyst. We will be working in partnership with Arty Nic, National Elite Sports Coaching and Schools Out Sports In to deliver arts & crafts and multi-sport activities including a high quality healthy meal each day. The programme is open to children aged 5-16 years old living with the Borough who are in receipt of free school meals.

RESOLVED

- (i) Information duly noted.

49/22 YOUTH INVESTMENT FUND

Cllr McCoy advised members that there are no further updates in respect of the Youth Investment Fund. Cllr McCoy requested that members of Bright Minds Big Futures (BMBF) be invited to attend a future meeting. BMBF is an award-winning youth-led movement, providing social action opportunities for young people working with Stockton on Tees Borough Council to make the Borough a better place to live.

RESOLVED

- (i) Information duly noted.

50/22 SUNDAY LUNCH SERVICE

The Deputy Town Clerk advised members that the service continues to deliver a hot two course meal to older residents within their homes.

RESOLVED

- (i) Information duly noted.

The meeting concluded at 4.45pm with Councillors Atkinson, McCoy & Scollen present.

Signed.....AMCCy..... Date 21.07.22.....

Chairman of Community Wellbeing Committee