

## **LITIGATION IN CONFIDENCE**

### **SOCIAL CENTRE REBUILD COMMITTEE MEETING 18/01/2023 at 5:30pm, held at the Clubhouse**

#### AGENDA

Chairman's Motion to the Committee on Public Participation

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

15 minutes is allocated for non Committee members of the public to raise issues

**Present** - Peter Paget, Den Fillis, Mel Watt, Adam Dempsey, Jim Butler, Malcom Turner, Peter Hindle, Ross Phillips, Sue Wilkinson.

**Apologies** - Keith Mahoney, Graham Prichard, Phil Dyke,

2 members of the public present.

#### **1. Minutes of last meeting (15/12/22)**

Proposed: RP

Seconded: JB

#### **2. Chairman's Update - JS**

Consultation meeting on 2nd Feb.

PH - Open evenings will be taking place on the next 2 Thursdays (19th & 26th Jan, 6-7pm)  
SP will also attend.

JS - Gave thanks to PH for all his work with all the information put into The Hoot, it was very clear and informative.

#### Insurance Claim Update

AXA and Mr Stevens, made contact with solicitor to try and negotiate on his behalf, the purpose being to find out how far he took the complaint with AXA. Initially he instructed a loss adjuster who he thought were solicitors. End result is perhaps to take it to the financial ombudsman.

JB looking at the insurance the PC took out, as far as can be seen, might be able to take blame, allied Westminster taken out in September 2020, indemnity cover for £500,000 to cover the trustees, trustees indemnity cover. Is there a chance we could say, the trustees gave the contract to the roofer, there wasn't proper due diligence, is there any scope for claiming of the indemnity insurance? RP - doesn't think the management committee were responsible for instructing Mr. Stevens, doesn't think we would get that far perusing that route.

RP - Contact Parish council insurance on builders cover, is this worth pursuing further.

JS - RP to look into this prior to parish council meeting

### **3. Parish Council Meeting action and plan - JS**

2nd Feb Meeting Actions (Open sessions in the cafe)

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### **4. Workstream Reports/Actions - Various**

- **Grant Bids**

Originally told we cannot bid for a Jubilee grant, but have now been told we can but will have to become a CIO. PH Department for levelling up states we need to change our status, big advantage is its limited by Guarantee, unlike at the moment its the trustees, it can enter into contracts in its own right. Relatively simple structure to set up, how many trustees do we have, or do we go for a membership (e.g all members of the village are members and can vote in trustees). You can have as many trustees as you like, recommend between 5 and 9. Trustees cannot be employees. The date the structure is changed is key due to the Parish council.

- **New Hall Charitable status**

All present members of the rebuild committee agreed they don't see any negatives to perusing this above structure and it will be proposed to the Parish Council. Seconded  
RP - Unanimous.

- **Finances MW, SP. (Ask den for photocopy)**

See report attached.

Since last meeting received £20k from social centre committee (monies from insurance),

£56,887 total donations.

£758,286k.

- **Fundraising, Grants, Cafe**

£1,235 For December

**£13,235 total for the year (2022)**

Once again thank you to all the volunteers for their unwavering support and time given to make the cafe run, and to those people that support it with their custom week in/week out.

### **5. Any Other Business**

PH and SP to Voting Slips counting, vote deadline by Sunday the 5th February.

MT - Clubhouse - New Cabinet for cleaners cupboard.

Andy Turner - Survey of people in the village for a self build option.

What is the time frame for public works loan? Approx. 6 months for it to be formally approved, and doesn't have to be drawn down for up to a year.

Design and build contract, builder and architect work in tandem prior to planning approval and work towards planning within the budget and design constraints/guides that we have.

Buy a brick, a popular idea to raise some funds.

AD - requested for digital copies of the plans for Spotted Bromham.

JB - Brought up the land behind Spire View, to be sold/developed, could this be sold on a shared ownership basis? To be discussed at Parish Council. Outline planning to include the principal for a dwelling.

Community led housing trust?

To provide a mixture of affordable housing for local people and larger homes.

## **6. Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 8th February - 6pm in the Clubhouse.