

Community Committee Meeting

Monday 20th November 2023, 7.30pm, The Guildhall, Faversham

Cllr Rowlands (Chair) Cllr Coniam

Cllr Golding Cllr C Martin Cllr Newman Cllr Perkin Cllr Cook

Dear Committee Member

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND a meeting of Faversham Town Council's Community Committee to take place at The Guildhall on Monday 20th November 2023 at 7.30pm when the following business will be transacted. This meeting will be hybrid and members of the public may attend via Zoom.

Yours sincerely

Louise Bareham

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A maximum of 15 minutes to be allowed to receive public questions and comments on items on the Agenda.

AGENDA

- 1. **Apologies for Absence** To receive apologies for absence.
- 2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest for items listed on the Agenda.

3. Minutes and Matters Arising

To approve the minutes of the meeting dated 19th June 2023 and consider any matters arising.

4. **Faversham Healthy Futures** To receive an update from members of the Faversham Healthy Future project.

5. Community Events

To introduce the new Events Officer, Claire Elliott, and to consider events for 2024/25.

6. Discover Faversham Working Group

To receive the Minutes of the Discover Faversham Working Group dated 30th October 2023 and agree any recommendations.

7. Youth SLA Working Group

To receive an update.

8. Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Update

To agree for the siting of a stone to commemorate the 4 Faversham women accused of witchcraft and accept a quotation (re-quotes awaited following change of design)

9. Pillars, Action Plan and Budget 2024/25

To review action plan and consider budget items for 2024/25

10. Community Lottery

To receive and note the Operator Report.

11. Printed Material

To receive the report on accessibility of the newsletter.

12. **50th Anniversary of Faversham Town Council**

To receive the report and consider recommendations.

13. Library of Things

A 'library of things' is a collection of useful items stored in a central location to allow people in the community to borrow, sometimes for a small fee, rather than buy. Items frequently include tools, large kitchen items, gardening equipment etc. 80% of all household items are used less than once a month, we are in the midst of a cost of living crisis, and we have a climate emergency. Cllr Coniam would like to propose that Faversham Town Council explores setting up a small library of things for residents to use and save money, space, and planetary resources. We will approach local organisations and community hubs to discuss how they could contribute and help facilitate a library.

Cllr Coniam has contacted a company that specialises in helping large organisations (including several councils such as Hackney, Camden, Sutton and Merton) create libraries with specialised app systems, automatic storage lockers, and all the items needed to start up. The initial start up cost for all this is £45,000 and there are ongoing running costs. I am aware that this amount of money is likely not feasible for FTC to contribute, however there have been

much smaller and cheaper libraries started up worldwide, and if donations of objects were made by residents the only issues we would need to consider is storage of said items and PAT testing.

14. Matters for Report

Items for next agenda