



HOUGHTON REGIS TOWN COUNCIL

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8th November 2023

To: Members of the Community Services Committee

Cllrs: Y Farrell (Chair), N Batchelor, E Billington, P Burgess, T McMahon, C Rollins, A Slough

(Copies to other Councillors for information)

Notice of Meeting

You are hereby summoned to a Meeting of the **Community Services Committee** to be held at the Council Offices, Peel Street on **Monday 13th November 2023 at 7.00pm.**

Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting may do so in person or remotely through the meeting link below.

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Clare Evans
Town Clerk

**THIS MEETING MAY
BE RECORDED ***

Agenda

- 1. APOLOGIES & SUBSTITUTIONS**
- 2. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

In accordance with approved Standing Orders 1(e)-1(l) Members of the public may make representations, ask questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda.

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The use of images or recordings arising from this is not under the Council's control.

Recommendation: To consider and endorse that the Town Council makes a request to adopt the payphone at the Junction Windsor Drive, PCO1 Lowry Drive, Houghton Regis, Dunstable, LU5 5SJ – 01582865310, for use as a community asset.

8. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

Pages 35-40

Members will find attached the income and expenditure report, highlighting significant variances, for the Community Services Committee to date.

This report is provided for information purposes only.

9. THE MILLION HOURS FUND

This funding is for organisations to give extra support to young people in areas where they may be at risk of anti-social behaviour. The fund can be used for extra hours of youth work for additional activities that give these young people more places to go and positive things to do.

This programme is funded by the Department of Culture Media and Sport (DCMS) and The National Lottery Community Fund.

The fund is aimed at working with young people aged:

- 11 to 18
- up to 25 if they have special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)

The Town Council is an eligible organisation, and the old Central Bedfordshire Houghton Hall ward is an eligible area for the fund.

Recommendation: To consider and endorse that a suitable application be made to The Million Hours Fund to enhance the youth provision in the old Central Bedfordshire Houghton Hall ward.

10. PARKSIDE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION (REMODELLING FEASIBILITY) OR PARKSIDE COMMUNITY HUB UPDATE

At its meeting held on the 2nd of October, the Town Council was presented with the considerations of the Community Services Committee from the 17th of July 2023. The following recommendations have been resolved (minute item 12571):

1. To advise the Community Services Committee that Town Council considered their resolution put forward from its meeting on 21st July but, on balance, felt that Town Council corporate plan process should be concluded and the supporting Town Council budget be considered and agreed prior to a consultation exercise being carried out with residents;
2. To encourage the Community Services Committee to consider an informal approach being made to potential stakeholders to gauge their interest and support for community hubs.

Therefore, this item will be brought back to the Community Services Committee for consideration after the Town Council corporate plan has been completed.

This update is provided for information purposes only.

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