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Minutes of the Community Action Meeting held on 8th July 2021 in the Council Chamber, Franklin Hall, Spilsby at 7pm

Present: Cllr Tom Kemp (Chairman)

Cllr E Lowe Cllr T Taylor Cllr K Wood Cllr A Wright

Also present: Mrs Y Smith (Town Clerk) (TC)

Absent- Cllr Marsh

26. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Day.

27. Declaration of Interest under the Localism Act 2021

None

28. Action Points from Previous Meetings

TC tabled a report

29. Highways Update

TC reported the following; -

a Had requested the trees covering the 30mph limit signs to be cut back

b Had requested the footpath behind Halton Road houses to be cut back as impassable at the minute (complaint by a resident)

c the missing blocks by the toilets need to be reported to the owner of the land.

Cllr Taylor said that he believed the 40mph new restrictions were in the queue. TC said that she had emailed today after receiving an email from the District Councillor. **ACTION -**TC to chase up double yellow lines on Market Street

30. Play Area Refurbishment update

ACTION- Defer to next meeting.

31. Youth Council and Youth Engagement Update

Cllr Holland reported that he wanted to site the table tennis table in the play area. He had also asked the Recreation Ground Committee where it could be sited. He said that he would like to get the survey done in September and have it set up for the new academic year.

TC said that, during a meeting with LCC, she had asked it there were any old bus shelters which could be recycled into a teenage shelter. Cllr Wood said that it could also be used by spectators to watch football matches. Cllr Holland said that if the council got one then will need a place to put it. Cllr Taylor suggested that Cllr Holland and Cllr Wood say where items are to be placed and also need to define what is council role and that of the Recreation Ground.

ACTION- Invite James Brindell, CEO Magna Vitae to the next Full Council Meeting.

Cllr Holland said that he had obtained quotes for the teenage shelter.

It was **RESOLVED** to put the table tennis table in the play area.

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32. Feedback from Franklin Week and recommendations for 2022

Cllr Holland reported that it was a success and that even though it was done on a short time scale, they managed to pull it together. Some people did not know what it was about as they did not know who Franklin was. The music and projections did not really work well. A new piece of animations could be commissioned. Live music next year might be better and also a best dressed window competition. Some shops had made an effort with their windows.

Cllr Wood said that she was meeting with Ophelia Gamble to discuss a May Day next year.

Cllr Taylor suggested a debrief in the Spilsby Explorer

ACTION-Cllr Holland to write a short piece for the Spilsby Explorer.

33. Best Dressed Front Garden Competition.

It had previously been resolved, some years ago, to hold a competition and this had never been organised. This had come about as Spilsby had decided not to enter the best kept Town Competition again and looked for an alternative.

It was **RESOLVED** not to hold a Best Dressed Garden Competition.

34. Christmas Lights Installation

It was Resolved to appoint the Festivities Committee to take control of the arrangements for the Christmas Lights Installation.

35. Open Spaces

It had been suggested to hold an open day and picnic in the TOC H land. It was generally agreed that the area needed to be better maintained and a planned maintenance programme be set. The Spinney was also not good enough to hold anything in there. Cllr Holland said that it needed to be specified how much should be done voluntarily and how much to the maintenance contractor. Cllr Lowe that the Council needed residents to volunteer and form a Friends of Spilsby Group. It was **RESOVLED** to allocate £50 to cement the 'snake' in.

36. Picnic in the Park/ and or themed market and celebration of restrictions of lockdown ending.

Cllr Holland talked about a summer event for example a market and have a bit of a celebration and there is the Welcome Back Fund and could do both together but it would be a lot of work. Ophelia Gamble has volunteered to organised a Summer Market. Cllr Wood said that they had discussed it running into the evening. Cllr Lowe suggested having a small market with local associations having stalls and could recruit. Cllr Kemp said that it would have to be ensured that the proper licences were in place.

The suggested date for the market would be 21st August 2021 and Ophelia would organise the Market Place closure with ELDC.

The back up plan would be to have the Picnic in the Park on the 22nd August 2021. **ACTION**-TC to check if recreation ground free.

If there was to be a themed weekend, it would need to be the opposite end of the year to Woodhall Spa and not be 40s. Cllr Wright suggested 60s

Cllr Wood suggested working on the May Day.

Cllr Kemp said that care must be taken not to spread the Council too thin with too many projects. **ACTION-** Formulation of an Events Calendar for next agenda.

37. Design of Blue Plaque for Sir John Franklin

It was **RESOLVED** to order the blue plaque and that Cllr Wood should order it and copy TC into the email.

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38. Power Points installation in the Town Centre

It was agreed in principle that more power points were needed. Cllr Taylor and Cllr Wright said that more were needed. Cllr Taylor said that a firm proposal to take to ELDC was required. It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Taylor prepare a proper proposal to put forward to ELDC. **ACTION-** TC to look at Transfer of Assets for both car parks.

39. Purchase of a fruit tree to commemorate Covid 19.

It was agreed to defer the purchase for the time being.

40. Market Stall

It was RESOLVED that Cllr Lowe would draw up the rota and that the first stall would be on the 19th July with Cllrs Taylor, Holland and Lowe and that the stall should be the third Monday in the month with three councillors attending.

ACTION- TC to book stall.