STREET PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee held in Room 6, Crispin Community

Centre, Street on 8th February, 2022 at 6 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor M. Daniells (Chair)

Councillors: P. Birch, S. Carswell, M. Daniells, H. Shearer,

N. Smith and L. Wolfers

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. L.A. Ruff – Clerk

Councillor D. Drew

County and District Councillor Leyshon

K. Nester and M. Sales – Hindhayes School

T. Schottlander – Strode College

J. Lewin – Street Youth Club and YMCA

APOLOGIES: Councillors D. Knibbs and A. Prior – another engagement –

reasons accepted

30. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

RESOLVED

that Councillor Shearer be elected as Vice Chair of the Committee.

31. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 2nd November, 2020 which

had been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

32. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

In accordance with the Code of Conduct Councillor Shearer declared an other interest

under Appendix B as she was a member of Mendip District Council and that she

would keep an open mind when considering matters at either parish or district level.

It was noted that Councillors Birch and Smith had resigned from the Greenbank Pool

Management Committee.

33. GRANT APPLICATION – GREENBANK SWIMMING POOL

The Clerk submitted a report and associated accounts and papers circulated to

members. County and District Councillor Leyshon reported on the meeting with the

Council Chair, Councillor Wolfers and Richard Clark of the Pool Trust. The Pool would

open from the first May Bank Holiday weekend, there would be season tickets and it

was hoped that Fusion or Millfield would assist with training of lifeguards. T. Rice was

involved in setting up a Friends of the Pool. It was suggested that a conditional grant

was made and that consideration was given to ensuring that vulnerable families could

access the facility. It had been suggested that the Trust apply for funding from

Glastonbury Town Council.

RESOLVED

that the Chair of Council and County and District Councillor Leyshon would report

back on why the Pool charity declaration stated that the 3 Council representatives

were involved in the day to day running of the Pool – this was not appropriate and

needed to be clarified or removed.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

that a grant of £30,000 be made in 2022/23 to Greenbank Pool Charitable

Incorporated Organisation subject to the following conditions -

Communication – that a joint press release from the Council and Trustees be issued

after the full Council meeting on 15th February giving the opening date and hours

Payment of Grant – 3 payments of £10,000 with the first when the Pool is fully open

to the public on the Saturday of the first May Bank Holiday weekend, the second on

13th July and the third when the season was completed on the second Saturday in

September although the end of September would be preferred – the Trustees could

explain why dates may change but the Council would reserve the right not to pay

Opening Dates and Times – the Pool to be fully open to the public by the early May

Bank Holiday weekend at the latest and remain open to at least the second Saturday

In September. Opening hours to remain as previous years (pre Covid) and to add 2

early morning sessions for lane swimming. All regular opening hours to remain family

swimming (not lanes).

Tickets – season tickets to be offered as in 2019 with a greater reduction in the price

of family season tickets for Street residents using the additional funding from the

Council. To consider another season ticket at a higher price to include early morning

sessions. Cash to remain a payment option at the turnstile and shop.

Future Developments – the Trustees of the CIO to support the formation of a Friends

of Greenbank Pool with T. Rice as Chair, offering a voice for the users of the Pool, to

encourage more volunteering and to develop fundraising opportunities. The Trustees

to work with the Council and the Friends on sustainability plans for 2023 onwards.

Management and Governance – to revisit the name of the Management Committee

reflecting that it is an advisory committee and agree terms of reference

34. GRANT APPLICATIONS – VULNERABLE PEOPLE FUND AND OTHER

The Clerk submitted a report and applications and other documents which had been

circulated. The meeting was adjourned from 7.15 p.m. to 7.25 p.m. to allow a

representative of Millfield to speak on how they could support the Pool and for

members to have a break.

K. Nester presented the application from Brookside, Elmhurst and Hindhayes Schools

for £18,000 to fund a PFSA.

T. Schottlander presented the application from Strode College for funding to employ

a PFSA.

J. Lewin presented the 2 applications from the YMCA for £10,000 to deliver 2

sessions a week at Street Youth Club and for £13,380 for the pilot project over 7

months which was in 3 parts. She gave details of the 3 sections of the pilot in

priority order.

Councillor Drew explained that with the removal of other support services the social

and mental health need amongt the young was huge. Currently around 6 young

people attended the Monday sessions and 15 to 20 on a Friday. It was suggested that

there could be a greater link with the youth club at the Red Brick Building.

RESOLVED

A. that the Chairs of Council and Policy and Finance Committee should meet with the

Clerk to clarify what had happened since the decision was made in May 2019 and

report back to Council

B. that a separate meeting be held to consider a plan to have a wider multi

disciplined group in time

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

A. that an agreement be put in place to ringfence the money either directly with

Brookside, Elmhurst and Hindhayes Schools or with the County Council to give a grant

of £18,000 per annum in 2021/22 and 2022/23 to employ an additional PFSA

B. that Part 1 – SEND support and Part 2 – Life Skills programme of the pilot project

for 7 months totalling £10,975.92 be funded but not Part 3 – additional equipment

and the grant of £10,000 to deliver 2 sessions a week at the Youth Club be agreed for

the YMCA.

The meeting ended at 9.35 p.m.

Councillor Carswell arrived at 6.15 p.m. and Councillor Drew at 6.20 p.m.

Councillor Wolfers left at 7.35 p.m.

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