

Minutes of Community Services Committee

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 13 March 2018 starting at 6.30pm
Present: Councillor S Carefoot (Chairman)

Councillors:

A Brown	R Newmark
R Hargreaves	M Robinson
T Hill	G Scott
S Hind	N Walsh
S Hore	J White

In attendance: Director of Community Services, Head of Cultural and Leisure Services, Head of Engineering Services, Senior Accountant and Waste Management Officer.

Also in attendance: Councillor M Fenton.

643 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors J Alcock, S Hirst, J Holgate and S Knox.

644 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2018 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

645 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest.

646 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

647 ROEFIELD FOOTBALL PROJECT

The Director of Community Services submitted a report providing an update on a proposal from Clitheroe Wolves Football Club and the Lancaster Foundation to work in partnership with the Council to develop a football specific facility at Roefield playing pitches and to seek final approval for the proposed arrangements.

He reported that since the last report in October 2017, further meetings had taken place with Clitheroe Wolves Football Club and the Lancaster Foundation which had resulted in a further refinement of the proposal being suggested. The proposal now was that the initial indoor facility was not progressed but instead the existing artificial surfaces at Roefield be resurfaced with a new 60m x 40m

3G one. This would replace the one the Council and Sport England installed in 2015 which itself was now failing. In addition the proposed full size 3G pitch would be constructed without match funding of the Football Foundation and both areas be fully funded by the Lancaster Foundation. It would also include a covered spectator area between the two pitches and a small office and storage area.

As part of the proposal the Council was being asked to lease the land to a new charitable organisation which would be set up specifically to run the two pitches. The term of the lease would be 25 years and the full repair and maintenance of the facilities would be the responsibility of the new charitable body, Ribble Valley Community Sports Trust. It was proposed that the Council would receive £20,000 annually as rental for the land this new facility occupies with a 5 year review of this sum through the term of the lease. The full size pitch would be built to the specifications set out by the Lancaster Foundation ensuring it would meet FA accreditation and would be available for use by all clubs in the borough not just Clitheroe Wolves Football Club. Also as part of the proposal 10% of the available pitch time would be given to the Borough Council for sport development purposes.

Sport England had confirmed in writing to the Council that they would not seek clawback of the funding granted to improve the existing 3G surface which would need to be removed and replaced with the new pitch. The Council would not incur any costs for building the new pitch or refurbishing the existing surface nor would it have to act as the client for the works, as that would be fully managed by the Lancaster Foundation on behalf of the Clitheroe Wolves Football Club prior to handing it over to the Ribble Valley Community Sports Trust. As part of the scheme the existing artificial cricket wicket would need to be relocated.

There were still a number of further steps to be undertaken with regard to costings, funding agreements and application processes which would now progress should the Committee approve the new proposal.

RESOLVED: That Committee

1. approve the project proposed as amended subject to entering into appropriate funding and legal agreements with the Lancaster Foundation; and
2. authorise the Director of Community Services in consultation with the Chairman to conclude negotiations with the Lancaster Foundation and Clitheroe Wolves Football Club on the terms of the lease agreement.

648 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING REPORT

The Director of Community Services submitted a report informing Committee about the potential installation of electric vehicle charging points in the Council's car parks.

Electric vehicles are now integral in the Government's policies for climate change and transport with the announcement of a target to ban the sale of diesel and

petrol engine cars and vans after 2040. There were currently only 3 charging point locations available to the public within the Ribble Valley, all of which are sited in the Langho area at Hackings Caravan Park, Northcote Hotel and Mytton Fold Hotel.

Discussions had taken place with two companies regarding the provision of electric vehicle charge points with Eon looking like the preferred option. Proposed locations included 5 charge points at Chester Avenue Car Park and 3 at Railway View Car Park. The report went on to outline the potential benefits and constraints of providing the charge points including needing to determine charging policy for the bays.

RESOLVED: That Committee ask officers to obtain detailed information regarding Eon's proposal and upon receipt of this submit a further report to this Committee.

649 CLITHEROE CASTLE PARK RUN

The Director of Community Services submitted a report providing Committee with information on an offer from Ribble Valley Runners and Clitheroe Castle Running Group to work to gain permission to set up an established Saturday park run event within the Castle grounds, Clitheroe.

He reminded Members that the Clitheroe Castle junior parkrun had been operating successfully on a Sunday morning in the Castle grounds since October 2017. The Ribble Valley Runners are a community group which have as their objective the interest of the whole running community within the Ribble Valley. The group is a constituted group and anyone with an interest can become a member of the group. The group was now keen to further promote local community running and develop a regular Saturday parkrun event in the Castle grounds, which would take place at 9am and would comprise of 5 laps of a 1km circuit using the existing tarmac paths within the Castle grounds. It would be organised for the local community by local volunteers and would be all inclusive and open to all. Parkrun requires that there is an established volunteer group to administer events. Clitheroe Castle Running Group are an established running group who will work with Ribble Valley Runners to provide the required team of volunteers including a core group of 3-6 people who will oversee the event set up and a further group of 6-12 people prepared to volunteer as marshals/time keepers etc for the first few months of the event until it becomes established and a volunteer rota is in place.

RESOLVED: That Committee authorise the Director of Community Services to formally write to Ribble Valley Runners and Clitheroe Castle Running Group to give them approval to set up a parkrun within Clitheroe Castle grounds and that a review report be brought back to Committee in 12 months' time.

650 RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL, ART DEVELOPMENT, SPORTS AND ARTS EXCELLENCE GRANTS 2018

The Director of Community Services submitted a report presenting the recommendations of the working group in relation to the allocation of grants under recreation, culture, individual sporting excellence, individual arts

excellence and arts development grants. The working group had met to consider the applications which consisted of a healthy number across all categories. It was highlighted that where the same organisation had applied for a grant for more than one project, only one project had been supported as the demand on budget had been high this year.

The Director of Community Services reported that since the working group had met, two additional applications had been received; one from Ribble Valley Mod Weekender for a recreational grant and one from Charlie Paige for a Sporting Excellence grant.

RESOLVED: That Committee endorse the recommendations of the working group as outlined in the appendices to the report with the addition of a recreational grant to Ribble Valley Mod Weekender of £300 and an additional grant to Charlie Paige for Sporting Excellence of £300.

651 WHALLEY DOG WASTE TRIAL

The Director of Community Services submitted a report informing Committee of the success of the trial of dog waste collection from litter bins by refuse staff. He reminded Members that the scheme was not intended to replace the existing systems that are in place for dog bins as many of those bins are placed in areas that are inaccessible for the refuse vehicles but popular with dog walkers. The trial had now taken place for more than 2 years and very few complaints had been received from either the refuse crews collecting the mixed waste or members of the public about smells emanating from them. It was now felt this could be extended to the remaining parts of the borough.

RESOLVED: That

1. Committee approve the practice of depositing dog waste into litter bins for the entire borough and its collection by refuse vehicles; and
2. Parish Councils' Liaison Committee be made aware of this extension to the service.

652 PROPOSALS TO TACKLE CRIME AND POOR PERFORMANCE IN THE WASTE SECTOR

The Director of Community Services submitted a report outlining a consultation that was taking place asking businesses, trade associations and industry experts where regulation causes barriers to growth, innovation and productivity in the waste sector.

The Director of Community Services introduced Linda Boyer as the new Waste Management Officer.

The consultation included several parts – raising the standard of operator competence at permitted waste sites, reforming waste exemptions and duty of care of fixed penalty notices. Officer responsibility for these areas included not

only waste officers but environmental health services and as such, the response to the consultation would include input from both areas.

RESOLVED: That Committee delegate responsibility for responding to the consultation to the Director of Community Services and the Head of Environmental Health Services.

653 INCREASED COSTS FOR REFUSE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

The Director of Community Services submitted a report for Committee's information advising them of a possible trend suggesting that the cost of refuse vehicle maintenance had increased and the steps being taken to address the issue. This was of grave concern and investigations were taking place looking at ways to keep repair/running costs down and other areas of reducing costs. It does also highlight the effect of housing development in the Ribble Valley had put additional strain on the fleet with double the amount of trips to Longridge alone. A report was being prepared outlining the likely outturn for this year's spend along with the likely spend for 2018/2019 and alternatives to the current method of working.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

654 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/2019

The Director of Resources submitted a report informing Members of the schemes which have been approved for inclusion in this Committee's 2018/2019 capital programme. 14 schemes had been approved totalling £712,200. Detailed information for each scheme was included in the report.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

655 REVENUE MONITORING 2017/2018

The Director of Resources submitted a report informing Committee of the position for the period April to January 2018 on this year's revised revenue budget as far as this Committee was concerned. There was an overall underspend of £26,475 on the net cost of services which after allowing for transfers to and from earmarked reserves was £28,365. The report outlined the variances between budget and actuals for Members' information, the main one being the additional costs of refuse collection vehicle repairs and maintenance.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

656 GENERAL REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Director of Community Services submitted a report informing Committee on events within refuse collection, parking, arts development and the Food Festival Working Group.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

657 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That by virtue of the following items of business being exempt information under Category 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be now excluded from the meeting.

658 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Councillor Ian Sayers, the Council's representative on the Lancashire Waste Partnership submitted a report for Committee's information on a meeting held on 10 January 2018.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 7.25pm.

If you have any queries on these minutes please contact John Heap (414461).

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ORGANISATION	PROJECT	COST	GRANT REQUEST	PREVIOUS GRANTS	PROPOSAL
Ribble Valley Junior Netball Club	Summer school activity days – 3 fun and 2 development/skill	£1380	£635	2016 - £600 2017 - £600	£600
Clitheroe Cricket, Bowling and Tennis Club	Community Clubhouse renovation – lighting and decorating to bar and kitchen areas	£2405	£1200	2015 - £500 2016 - £2000 2017 - £1000	Nil
Clitheroe Cricket Club	Purchase of lightweight roll-on wicket cover	£1680	£840	2015 - £500 2016 - £2000 2017 - £1000	£840
Ribblesdale Wanderers Cricket & Bowling Club	Non turf cricket practice facility – 3 lanes and associated works – security, pathways etc	£65,000	£10,000	2016 - £2000 2017 - £1500	£5000
Ribble Valley Amateur Boxing Club	Purchase of equipment	£5000	£5000	Pre 2014	£2000
Grindleton Recreation Association	Provision of short mat bowling mat	£1014	£500	Pre 2014	£1250
Grindleton Recreation Association	Football Pitch Improvement Programme – improvement to drainage over and above normal maintenance	£5724	£2000	Pre 2014	

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Salesbury Bowling Club	Purchase of Dennis FT510 power unit with grass box and a 10 bladed cutting cylinder	£5616	£2808		£1500
Rimington Football Club	Purchase a set of mobile goals	£2500	£1250		£900
Longridge Golf Club	Continuation of Junior Coaching programme	£2596	£400	2013 - £935 (for youth element) 2014 - £400 2015 - £400 2017 – 0	Nil
Waddington Football Club	Drainage system	£35,000	£10,000		£4000
Mellor & District Community Association	Under floor heating to the main hall	£89,000	£3000	2014 2017 - £3000	£3000
Gisburn Festival Hall	Purchase of projection equipment and screen	£1164	£582		£582
Ribble Valley Choir	Choral event in December 2018	£640	£300	2010,11 & 12 - £200 2013 - £250 2015 - £200 2016 - £400 2017 – nil	Nil

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Ribble Valley Jazz & Blues	Annual Festival held on May Bank Holiday Now International	£71,800	£3,000	2011 - £500 2012 - £600 2013 - £1000 2014 - £1000 2015 - £1000 2016 - £1000 2017 - £1500	£1000
Clitheroe Town Council	Promotion of 1 summer band concert and Last Night of the Proms concert	£1500	£750	2017 - £400 And for many years before for a larger number of concerts	£400
Clitheroe Concerts Society	Provision of chamber concerts	£12,431	£500	Not for a while but in years past	£500
Muck and Nettles CIC (Playhappy Promotions Ltd)	A break in the Clouds – a smaller event – using the medium of theatre and game (instead of Cloudspotting 3 day Music and Arts Festival)	£16,800	£700	2014 – 2016 - £500 2017 - £750	£700
Ribcaged	ACTivate – engaging older people in physical theatre techniques	£8686	£1080		£1080
Ribchester Museum Trust	Roman Festival – re-enactments	£3000	£2500	2014	£1000
RV Runners	Clitheroe Park Run (for adults) – set up fee	£3000	£1500		£3000

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Longridge Community Gym	Activity For All – gym sessions targeting 11 - 15 year olds and over 60's	£15,145	£6495		£2550 (for bike)
Ribble Valley Cricket Development Group	Three year programme of development agreed in 2016/17		£2480	2016 - £2480 2017 - £2620	£2480
Gisburn Playing Field Association	Re-creation of junior area on playing field	£32,716	£3030		£3030
Ribble Valley Mod Weekender	Cost of road closure	£1200	£300		£300
				TOTAL	£35,712

ORGANISATION	PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION	SCORE 0-56	GRANT REQUEST	RETURN ON RVBC INVESTMENT	AWARD	CONDITONS
<p>SPOT ON LANCASHIRE</p>	<p>SPOT ON RIBBLE VALLEY We seek support to ensure that in 2018/19 all our Ribble Valley venues, (currently Tosside, Simonstone, Mellor Brook, Grindleton, Dunsop Bridge and Clitheroe Library) will be supported and trained to offer online ticketing for all Spot On events. Online ticketing maximises ticket revenue allowing us to remain accessible to isolated communities. Spot On allows communities, otherwise without access the arts, to host and engage with UK and international professional performing arts events. We also plan a new promoting partnership with Tosside and the Cloud Spotting Festival to further develop audiences for Spot On shows and the Festival which falls outside of our direct promoting period. District support will underpin the costs of maximising audiences for these professional events, making them affordable and accessible to people otherwise struggling to enjoy cultural activity. We operate on a mix of earned income via box office, district, county and Arts Council support.</p>	53	£900	1933%	£900	
<p>THE GRAND CHOIR</p>	<p>CLITHEROE FESTIVAL OF PEACE Working in partnership with other local choirs and churches to create a bi-annual choir festival. The first festival will run over the weekend of 13th - 15th July 2018 and will mark the Commemoration of the end of WW1. The Grand Choir will open the weekend with a performance at The Grand Venue. Other concerts will include approximately 20 local choirs and will take place in approximately nine venues (mostly Church buildings) throughout the Ribble Valley. There will also be singing workshops and flash-mobs around Clitheroe to complement the festival. Some concerts will carry admission fees to contribute towards the cost of the festival, whilst donations will be accepted by host churches as a fundraising opportunity towards their costs. This festival aims to bring communities together, combat rural isolation, increase participation and has positive health and wellbeing outcomes.</p>	56	£2000	274%	£1500	

MID PENNINE ARTS	<p>PENDLE RADICALS Yr 1 One of eleven key projects within the overall landscape partnership programme for Pendle Hill, attracting £2m of HLF investment and led by Forest of Bowland AONB, working with the two borough councils and other partners. MPA is leading on Pendle Radicals. This exciting arts, culture and heritage project will look at our area's cultural heritage in a new light. Over four years, it will be an exploration of Pendle Hill's heritage of radical thinkers and non-conformists, from investigation, through creative interpretation to celebration. Our programme will recruit a core group of volunteer researchers, and engage with residents of all ages, but especially with young people. Creating a legacy of greater understanding and new artefacts, the project will bring history to life, infuse familiar locations with new meaning and build pride of place. Year One will be crucial, and will include the creation of a new cultural tourism entity, the Radicals Trail.</p>	53	£750	3500%	£500	
RIBCAGED	<p>RIBBLE VALLEY NEW WRITING WORKSHOPS Aim to engage Ribble Valley residents in the creation of a creative project which will then tour Lancashire. We want to research and develop a new play, interviewing and workshopping with residents on issues that affect them, making them part of the creative process and thus excited to see the new work. We aim to create a touching, relevant and funny play focusing on the trials and tribulations of a rural Lancashire community. It would be set at a protest event, campaigning against the closure of the local bus services. Working with Ribble Valley artists, Director Owen Phillips (Stop the Train) and writer Jonathan Neil (BBC Writers Room, Royal Court Young Writers Programme) we want to capture local peoples voice, dialect and represent their cultural experiences and teach a creative writing/devising process. We will then perform the play in Ribble Valley before a county-wide tour.</p>	54	£1000	1400%	NIL – GRANT AWARDED FROM RECREATION GRANT POT	

LONGRIDGE CLUSTER SCHOOLS	Armistice the Great War remembered. Armistice 1914-1918 The Great War Remembered <input type="checkbox"/> will work, that will be used as a community archive and culminate with an act of remembrance on November 11th 2018, the centenary of the signing of the Armistice and bring to a climax the past 4 years of commemorations of notable anniversaries and of the conflict. All of which that have been seared into the public consciousness and caught the public's imagination.	56	£5000	900%	£1000	
LONGRIDGE COMMUNITY ARTS	Deliver a 10 week art project to engage young people aged 8-12 from Longridge, with an exhibition showcasing the completed work.	43	£1500	100%	£700	Budget details confirmed
FRANKIE FREEMAN AND THE RIBBLE VALLEY GATEWAY TRUST	RIBBLE VALLEY ART FOR ALL. Clitheroe based Art classes for students who are disadvantaged or have special needs to develop their confidence, give them a sense of achievement, increase their sense of wellbeing for Art to be a means of therapy.	40	£1000	100%	£1000	Clarify not for profit arrangement. Discuss promotion opportunities
ATLANTIC CONTEMPORARY ART	ATLANTIC ART FAIR. A three day event encompassing a high quality contemporary art exhibition, community and professional workshops, talks etc.	48	£1500	100%	£720	Approval for Event date 27.3.18
				TOTAL	£6320	

SPORTING EXCELLENCE GRANTS 2017/18

NAME	AGE	SPORT	STANDARD	SCORE	GRANT (£)
Lucy Naylor	16	Cycling	GB	27	500
Alasdair Moir	16	Modern Pentathlon	GB	25	500
Alice Fox	16	Swimming	National	25	300
Lilly-Ella Mae Smith	10	Rhythmic Gymnastics	National	23	300
Cara Milne-Redhead	15	Football	National (Scotland)	22	300
Martha Smith	16	Swimming	National (Wales)	21	300
Charlotte Williams	16	Athletics (Hammer)	National	21	300
Samuel Milligan	16	Cricket	County	15	150
Adam Hewitt	10	Cricket	County	15	150
Charlie Paige	15	Cycling	National		300
				TOTAL	£3100

ARTS EXCELLENCE GRANTS 2017/18

NAME	AGE	ART	GRANT
Suzanne Garth – Jones	18	Dance	£500
Harry Cross	11	Dance, Drama, Singing	£500
Ellen Buller	16	Flute	£500
Jordan McTear	17	Dance	£360
Bethan Snowden	16	Dance	£250
Oliver Kirk	19	Dance	£200
Angel Wood	15	Dance	£150
Laura Cooper	15	Drums	£100
		TOTAL	£2560