



M3 Community Partnership (M3)

Minutes of a meeting of the Steering Group held on 21st October 2021 at 6.30pm

in the Market House

Present: Jackie Swabey (Chair), Patrick Palmer (M3 Director), Lou Chant (MYC), Fergus Dowding (Martock Community Group), Ivan Childs (All Saints Church), Rev. Paul Fillery (All Saints Church), Sarah Slade (Martock Christian Fellowship), Cllr. Louise Clarke (SSDC)

Apologies: Paul Harding (Patient Participation Group), Geoff Lucas (Treasurer),

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Paul Harding (Patient Participation Group) and Geoff Lucas (Treasurer).

2. To agree the accuracy and approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 8 July 2021.

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 July were approved as being a correct record.

3. To confirm the actions agreed upon at the last meeting have been completed.

6Ci and 7. The action to source funding for the website work and the review of the M3CP constitution and ToR is awaiting the Parish Council's decision whether to rejoin as a member of the M3CP steering group in November.

6Cii. A replacement advertising coordinator has been found for The Leveller. Graham White has volunteered to take over from Bea Higginson after the December issue.

4. To receive written reports (8 July 2021 – 20 Oct 2021) from Core Partners:

Written reports were received from Martock Christian Fellowship, All Saints (attached) and Martock Community Group (attached).

Martock Youth Centre reported that sessions for 8-9 year olds is restarting from 4th November. Plans for a joint trip to Flip-Out is planned for ½ term with Stoke and Norton youth clubs.

The plans for the Jubilee in June 2022 were discussed with plans for a marquee on the rec for the 4 days. A working group is to meet shortly.

(Lou Chant left the meeting to attend other engagements)

5. To receive an oral report on the Parish and District Council activities and an update on their membership of the Steering Group

- Louise Clarke reported that the District Council is focussing on plans for the unitary council. She attended an event for all councillors at Bridgwater to learn more about the plans for delegating services to parish and town councils. Martock is in a good position

compared to others, as the services committee and staff are already in place. It is likely to mean Bracey Road and Limbury recs moving to the responsibility of the Parish Council.

- The Parish Council are currently advertising for a Deputy Clerk, as the Parish Clerk has returned. A locum clerk is supporting until the appointment is made.
- Jackie Swabey is scheduled to speak about M3 to the Parish Council at the October meeting and is hoped a vote to return as a member of M3 steering group can be held in November.

Action Jackie Swabey

- JS to write to Angela Cox at SSDC to ask that the SSDC representative be changed on their website to Cllr Clarke.

Action: Jackie Swabey

6. To discuss any changes required to the constitution and terms of reference

It was agreed to over this over to the next meeting.

7. Any Other Business

a) Poppy appeal will be door-to-door again this year

b) The joint promotion of Christmas services is to appear in the Leveller rather than a delivered leaflet.

c) Meeting discussed the anti-social activity by a small group of young people. Police are aware.

8. To note the date of future meetings

The dates of the next meetings Thursday 20 January and 21 April 2022 were noted.

9. To thank Patrick Palmer for his many years contribution to M3.

The meeting thanked Patrick Palmer very much for his 20 year contribution to M3 and wished him a more restful retirement.

The meeting closed at 8:00pm

Approved (date): 20/1/2022

Signed by the Chair: _____