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Minutes

Meeting of : Community Services
Date : 2 June 2025
Meeting held in : The Guildhall, Salisbury
Commencing at : 6.30pm

Present:

Chair: Vice Chair:

Cllrs: V Charleston, S Foster, R Johnson, J Nettle, P Podger, S Rideout, C Taylor

Officers: A Thorpe and B George

There were 0 members of the public present, and 0 members of the press present.

1. Election of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Community Services Committee for 2025/26:

Cllr C Taylor was nominated to be Chair of the Committee.

Proposed by: Cllr C Taylor

Seconded by: Cllr J Nettle

A vote was taken and accordingly was **carried**.

Cllr C Taylor in the Chair's seat.

The meeting took a short recess at 18:35. The meeting reconvened at 18:55.

Cllr C Taylor called for nominations for the Vice Chair of the Committee.

Cllr V Charleston was nominated to be Vice Chair of the Committee.

Proposed by: Cllr J Nettle

Seconded by: Cllr P Podger

A vote was taken and accordingly was accordingly **carried**.

2. Apologies:

Cllr J Nettle substituted for Cllr E Rimmer.

3. Public Questions/Statement Time:

There were no questions or statements submitted by the public.

4. Councillor Questions/Statement Time:

There were no questions or statements submitted by Councillors.

5. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting of the Community Services Committee held on 24 February 2025 were approved and signed by the Chair.

6. Declarations of Interest:

None.

7. Dispensations:

No dispensations were requested.

8. Chairman's Announcements:

None.

9. Cultural Grant Reporting:

The committee heard a [presentation](#) and [report](#) from Rosa Corbishley, Executive Director, and Sarah Gregson, Take Part Director, from Wiltshire Creative.

There was a discussion regarding an emphasis on partnership work to co-produce and co-deliver on projects. The committee thanked Wiltshire Creative for their hard work and high-quality results. It was,

Resolved that:

9.1. SCC note the report.

The committee received a [report](#) from Salisbury Museum who were unable to attend.

A concern was raised regarding a point on the report that funding from SCC has been cut. This was refuted by councillors. The Chief Executive Officer will write to Salisbury Museum and ask for further details.

There was a brief discussion, and it was,

Resolved that:

9.2. SCC note the report.

10. Communities Team Update:

The committee received a Communities Team [update](#) from Asa Thorpe, Chief Executive Officer. It was,

Resolved to:

10.1 Note the update.

11. Budget Monitoring:

The committee received the 2024/25 budget outturn [report](#). It was,

Resolved that:

1.1. The committee notes the financial position at the end of the 2024/25 year.

12. Matters, if any, which by reason of special circumstances the Chairman, decides should be considered as a matter of urgency:

Cllr C Taylor resigned as the Chair of the committee. He urged the committee to work as a team and harmoniously over the coming years.

The Vice Chair closed the meeting.

The meeting closed at 20:04.