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COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Community Affairs meeting held on 31 October 2011 Shire Hall Monmouth

PRESENT: Chairman Councillor Mrs J Gunter

Cllr G Bright

Cllr J Fletcher

Cllr Mrs S Chivers

Cllr C Munslow

Cllr Christopher

Cllr Mrs B Smith

Cllr Mrs A Dewhurst

Cllr Mrs A Were

Presentation by Eve Parkinson Integrated Services Manager for North Monmouthshire.

Presentation material on the Frailty Programme was circulated, (attached), from which Ms Parkinson highlighted the partnership between Health and Social Care across the five areas. The scheme is the result of what people were asking for: not relying on acute hospitals but instead have their needs met in the community, remaining in their own homes with services supplied. It has been running since April 2011.

North Team consists of Abergavenny and Monmouth

South Team consists of Chepstow and Caldicot

There is now a single point of access to the Community Resource Team.
Neighbourhood Care Network

Health and Social Care have co-operated to use a common form for the first time 8.00am – 8pm minimum 2-4 hours response time 7 days a week service 365 days a year
Currently there are twenty four Monmouthshire residents as patients in Nevill Hall who don't need to be there. They could all have been helped at home rather than be admitted. There is an arrangement for night sittings for up to 4 nights. The Neighbourhood Care Network is introducing a system where help can be set up instantly after a visit to a patient's home, by digipen/Blackberry contact with most appropriate care worker.

If the Ambulance service makes direct requests to the Frailty team there is an undertaking to visit within 2-4 hours. 30 – 40 cases already.

Q. Is there a duplication of home- patient care because GP's are already managing care?

A. The scheme is GP- lead, thus ensuring there is no duplication

Q. Is it a team that is likely to be put out to contract?

A. Everyone is part of the team, not a separate model, so it could not be simply put out to contract. Dr. Brian Harries is the lead GP in the team

Q. How do hospitals feel about it?

A. Some staff at Nevill Hall are part of the team so although there was initial anxiety, the scheme is mutually beneficial and can be seen as such

Q. Does 'Frailty' mean 'Elderly'?

A. No. All adults in crisis are catered for under this title

AGENDA ITEM		ACTION
1.	<p>To receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda</p> <p>Agenda Item 11: Cllr Bright, Cllr Mrs Dewhurst and Cllr Christopher.</p>	
2.	<p>To receive apologies for absence</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Hall, Cllr Jones, and Cllr Mrs White.</p>	
3.	<p>To approve minutes of the meeting of 19th September 2011</p> <p>The minutes were approved as a true record and signed</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr Mrs Smith seconded: Cllr Mrs Dewhurst Unanimous</p>	
4.	<p>To review the action summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roundabout: Meeting with the Sustainable Transport Group. Letter has been replied to by Cllr Munslow pointing out the urgency by Phil Bly • Trevor Bowen: Regular updates can be picked up from the entrance lobby. Cllr Bright asked <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.Are the CCTV cameras working and being monitored?. b.Is Council Tax being paid by M.H.A. now that so many dwellings are empty? Cllr Gunter will invite them to the next meeting/make enquiries. • Youth Council: Attik worked through the summer, making a film called 'What About Us' this was based on the Chartists. In designing their own 'Charter', Attik have requested involvement in Council decisions that might affect them. The Committee agreed to invite representatives from Attik to the next Community Affairs meeting where relevant topics such as play facilities, Off Street Group, Chippenham Fields were on the agenda. Chair to write to Attik. 	<p>JG</p> <p>JG</p> <p>JG</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training: In hand • Community Grants: Cllr Mrs Gunter will publicise in the press again and put on noticeboards • Ward Noticeboards: Osaston needs attention as it has too many notices. MHA has no objections to repairs of the noticeboard at Kings Fee • Parking & Disabled bays: Reply from Paul Keeble referring the Committee to Vision Monmouth. Two alternative proposals for Monnow Street to be presented to Monmouth Partnership Forum on 2nd Nov Traffic Warden wants to talk to Highways concerning enforcement of parking restrictions. Cllr Munslow has sent a letter via the Clerk's office to MCC. Supporting this avenue of communication from an experienced professional. <p>The Committee agreed to request Brian Cleary /an officer from Highways to attend the next Community meeting to discuss a Zebra crossing in the Agincourt Square area, dropped kerbs at Disabled parking bays.</p> <p>Some members felt that Vision Monmouth or Monmouth Partnership Forum should not be treated as substitutes to direct communication with the Town Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvements to Football Spectator Stand: Cllr Mrs Gunter has spoken to C. Cllr Alan Wintle. Tim Bradfield (MCC) has done a costing which the Sports Association thinks is far too expensive and would rather do it themselves. C Cllr Alan Wintle will keep us informed. • Jobcentre: no reply from Kellie Beirne re next meeting • Monnow Vale: The signs at the road entrance have been agreed. MHA also needs to be requested to remove section of a wall which obstructs the view for traffic leaving Monnow Vale. Cllr Christopher will put this item on the Service Users Group Agenda. • Liaising with the Police: Completed 	<p>CM/AD</p> <p>CM</p> <p>BS/AD/SC</p> <p>Town Clerk</p> <p>JG/Wintle</p> <p>TC</p>
5.	<p>To review Committee's expenditure to date</p> <p>Expenditure noted</p>	
6.	<p>To receive correspondence (listed separately)</p> <p>Number 3: Copies for Cllr Chivers, Cllr Bright and Cllr Munslow Number 14: Cllr Munslow</p>	<p>Town Clerk</p>

7.	<p>To receive reports from working parties</p> <p>i. To receive and report to CSATS working party: Nothing to report.</p> <p>ii. Carnival/Festival: See agenda item 14</p> <p>iii. Christmas Event working Group: See agenda item 8</p> <p>iv. Play provision in Osbaston Working Group: Meeting to be arranged.</p>	JH
8.	<p>To discuss, agree and implement the Christmas Event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grotto: FC and Mike Booth are working on this • Road closures are in hand after Town Clerk and TC's meetings with the local police. Rotary FC will be asked to appear immediately after the first carol, in order to keep crowd within the cobbled area • Christmas tree is to be on the Square. Thanks to Mike Booth • Offer from Sunshine Radio road show and building society, Cllr Mrs Gunter will contact Sunshine Radio 	JG
9.	<p>To discuss and issue press release re Monnow Vale Minor Injuries closure</p> <p>Cllr Christopher reported that negotiations are on-going with GP's and more information will be known after the Monnow Vale Service Users meeting being held on Wednesday 2 November. Cllr Mrs Were is not clear how minor injuries can be undertaken while GP surgeries are already working to full capacity. This item to be referred to the next meeting.</p>	Town Clerk
10.	<p>Review Summer Playscheme activities</p> <p>Mike Moran has been contacted but no reply to date. Information required from him as this is public money being used and the committee has to make a decision on its budget for next year If we don't receive information by 21 November F&P it will not be possible to put this forward as a recommendation</p>	Town Clerk/Mike Moran
11.	<p>To agree to pay Attik an additional £2,000 from outstanding £4,000</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr G Bright Seconded: Cllr Mrs Smith Unanimous</p>	Town Clerk

12.	<p>To discuss possibility of Dr Matharu representing MTC regarding Ambulance station</p> <p>Hopefully more news will be obtained from the Service Users Group meeting. Dr Matharu will be invited to speak to Full Council to gather/air opinions Ambulance station. Cllr Munslow requested a brief description of what Dr Matharu intends so Councillors can discuss whether it would be most effective if he took these concerns forward on our behalf</p>	Town Clerk
13.	<p>To consider the Queen's Diamond Jubilee 2nd-5th June 2012, and any celebratory events the Council may wish to consider.</p> <p>Scouts propose to light 12 Beacons across Monmouthshire. Street parties are already being planned Agreed to refer to Full Council on 5th Dec, to set up a Working Group</p>	Town Clerk
14.	<p>To review involvement in Festival/Carnival</p> <p>2012 date confirmed. Circulated income and expenditure from 2011. Full discussion took place</p>	
15.	<p>To review contributions to outside organisations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £9000 Community Grants as in previous years • £8,500 if CAB under take to remain independent. Review if this changes. Their presentation was made in May 2011 • Attik: presently £30,000 p.a rent in future the grant can be much reduced <p>Proposed to retain £2,000 as allocation. Contingency £4,000 * Festival and Carnival. The Committee agreed to retain the £6,000 contribution on the understanding that the Carnival continues.</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr Mrs Were Seconded: Cllr Mrs Dewhurst For: 6 Against: 1 Abstention:2</p>	

16.	<p>Consider and agree Committee budget for 2012/2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £9000 Grants Scheme • CAB £8,500 • Attik £2,000 + £4,000 Contingency • £5,000 Summer Playscheme (On the proviso that we receive the figures by 14 November) • £6,000 Festival and Carnival • £500 Christmas Event • £300 Library Newspapers • £1,000 Communication and Publicity <p>12 December invite Mr John Cummings to next Community meeting re Wikimedia idea for Monmouth (On line encyclopaedia based in Monmouth's buildings and societies.)</p> <p>* £4000 Community Contingency * £2000 Diamond Jubilee</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Munslow Seconded Cllr Mrs Dewhurst For: 6 Against: 0 Abstentions: 3</p>	JG
17.	<p>To agree press release</p> <p>Christmas and Community Grants Most successful in Europe</p>	JG
18.	<p>Items for discussion for future meetings</p> <p>Monnow Vale: MIU situation Monmouthmedia</p> <p>Piccolingo European Award: The Mayor, Cllr Bright thanked the committee for help to make the event such an international success</p>	
19.	<p>To confirm date of next meeting: Monday 12 December 2011</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20pm