
Policy & Resources Committee

Title: Report - External Organisations

Date: Tuesday 19 July 2022

a) Barns Centre (Cllrs Deacock and Dodds)

Nothing received at 13/07/2022

b) Citizens Advice (Cllr Austin)

The instigation of Tuesday drop-in sessions are proving very popular and Thame Citizens Advice is going to extend this service to include Thursdays from 21st July. The drop-in service is aimed primarily at people who are struggling to use adviceline.

c) Health Hub (including Community Hub Pilot) (Cllrs Champken-Woods and Richards)

Discussions are on-going with Buckinghamshire NHS Trust (BHT) regarding collaborative approaches to the use of space at the current Health Centre site. If these are unsuccessful then The Rycote Practice will be looking at other possible sites within Thame.

Discussions with Hallam land have been discontinued.

The Practice Manager will keep TTC updated with any future developments and also update us on the Autumn Covid Vaccinations for the over 65's.

Report of Community Hub Pilot

The majority of services in Thame Community Hub are running as normal.

The exception is the Cancer Care Outreach Service. The reopening of the Thame and Marlow Cancer care Outreach services have been delayed until after the summer.

Buckinghamshire Healthcare Trust is engaging with local community, voluntary and healthcare organisations to understand the current challenges around the Thame area.

The aim of the project:

- To produce a set of recommendations for how to address these challenges at the Thame Community Hospital.
- To improve the health and wellbeing of the local population.

d) NALC (Cllr Dyer)

Nothing to report.

e) Red Kite Family Centre (Cllr Emery)

Nothing received at 13/07/2022

f) Thame Business Forum (Cllr Dyer)

The meeting hosted at Thame Sports Club on 26 April was unfortunately poorly attended, despite the main two agenda items having been specifically requested by members. Those that did attend

received an overview of SODC's Economic Development strategy from Cabinet Member Robin Bennett and a presentation on Thame COP from Lisa Meaney.

The meeting scheduled for 12 July, which had intended to devote the agenda to a presentation and discussion of TNP2, has been cancelled due to delays in completing the final consultation version of the plan. This discussion is therefore carried forward to the September meeting.

g) Thame Senior Friendship Centre (Cllr Midwinter)

Nothing to report.

h) Thame Youth Memorial Trust (Cllr Dyer)

Accounts to 31 March were presented and accepted at a meeting on 25 May, confirming that the trust holds sufficient funds to cover foreseeable maintenance expenditure. Assistance has been requested though TTC to instruct the owners of the Elms to cut overhanging trees back to their boundary, following which remedial work to the border tiling is being investigated.

i) Thame Youth Projects Group (Cllr Bretherton)

The project members continue to work with youngsters at meetings on the Recreation ground and are engaging them in the designs for the new Youth/Community centre.

The new youth leader has had to leave due to personal reasons and so the group have entered into another phase of recruitment.

The main focus at the moment is the design and development of the Youth/Community Centre on Southern Road Recreation Ground with regular meetings held with TTC and the Architects.

j) 21st Century Thame (Cllr Fickling)

Nothing received at 13/07/2022

k) Welfare Trust (Cllr Champken-Woods)

A few small awards were made but the main ones were for:

- Lord Williams's School for uniforms for deserving families.
- St Mary's Church to replace tower lighting and lighting the public right of way through the churchyard.