



Pye Green Community Centre Committee Meeting

Tuesday 8th April 2025 at 7pm

Meeting held at Pye Green Community Centre, Bradbury Lane, Hednesford, WS12 4EP

Present:

Cllr Garry Samuels (Chair)
Cllr Paul Jones
Cllr Sheila Cartwright
Cllr Debbie Cartwright

In attendance from Hednesford Town Council:

Chief Officer - Lindsey Smith
Responsible Finance Officer – Cheryl Kinsella

Members of the Public:

There were 0 members of the public present

1. Apologies:

Cllr R Turville – Brindley Heath Council

2. Declaration of Interest

No declarations received

3. Previous Minutes

Previous minutes from the PGCC Committee meeting held on 11th February 2025 were approved

Proposed: Cllr G Samuels
Second: Cllr P Jones
Agreed: 3
Against: 0
Abstain: 1

Action: Minutes from 11th February 2025 were agreed

5. Operational/Maintenance Update/Issues

- a. Chief Officer updated on interviews for PGCC Officer post and confirmed that Rachel Gentle had been recruited to the post and is due to commence the role in early June 2025
- b. An update was provided on bookings to date and a positive review from a hirer shared
- c. A discussion took place about the blinds in the function room and the quote that had been received. It was felt that as this was a safety issue that action needed to be taken asap

Proposed: Cllr G Samuels

Second: Cllr P Jones

Agreed: 4

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: Officers to action quote. Refer to full council for ratification

- d. Chief Officer informed that a start-up company had contacted PGCC to see if would be interested in hosting a vending machine. A short discussion took place and Officers were asked to seek further information and take back to next PGCC Committee meeting for further consideration
- e. PGCC has been approached by a relative of Cllr Moody to enquire if the centre would be interested in rehoming the bench to them. Committee asked to refer this matter to full council
- f. Chief Officer updated on items that has been procured from UKSPF at PGCC

6. Community Officer Update

Chief Officer verbally updated on behalf of Community Officer. Committee agreed that The Hub and Wellbeing walk are going really well and thanked the Community Officer for all his hard work

7. Events

- a. Cllr G Samuels led a discussion about ideas for the 50th Birthday Anniversary of the Pye Green Community Centre on 17th July. A working group is to be convened
- b. The next fish and chip supper quiz in on 3rd May 2025 – 40 plus people attend
- c. Cllr G Samuels updated on the community meeting due to take place on 17th May for residents from the Land West of Pye Green Estates together with a proposed Community Speed watch meeting
- d. Cllr D Cartwright led a discussion about an idea for Hednesford Got Talent show towards the end of 2025

- e. Cllr D Cartwright led a discussion about Afternoon Tea dance at the Community centre. Chief Officer advised that no budget stream currently exists for either this or the Hednesford's Got Talent so any funding would need to be located from elsewhere. PGCC Committee will refer d and e to full council for further discussion

8. Motion to move to private and confidential not required due to no members of the public being present

9. Date of next meeting

To be confirmed following Annual Town Meeting on 20th May 2025

10. Private and confidential

- a. A discussion took place about the proposed new booking rates at PGCC

Proposed: Cllr G Samuels

Second: Cllr Paul Jones

Agreed: 4

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: Committee agreed new booking rates at PGCC from May 2025. Officers to action

Proposed: Cllr G Samuels

Second: Cllr Paul Jones

Agreed: 4

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: Standing orders were suspended to enable remaining business to be addressed

- b. A discussion took place regarding the vacant Facilities Caretaker position following the retirement of former Officer. Committee felt that a replacement with amended working pattern was the preferred option with Chief Officer to seek HR advise

Meeting closed at 8:52pm

Signed (Chair of PGCC Committee):

Date: