

## **Madeley Town Council**

Minutes of the Leisure and Community Committee of Madeley Town Council held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025, commencing at 6.30 pm at Jubilee House, High Street, Madeley.

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**PRESENT**      **Councillors:**    **Sue Taylor, Anthony Morgan, Peter Cogins, James Loveridge and Helena Morgan- Mayor of Madeley Town Council**  
Sam Middleton Deputy Town Clerk taking minutes

**L25/037**      **Apologies**  
No apologies received.

**L25/038**      **Remarks from the Chair**  
The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and wished everyone Happy New Year.

**L25/039**      **Public Discussion**  
No residents attended.

**L25/040**      **Declarations of Interest**  
No declaration made.

**L25/041**      **Minutes**  
**Resolved:**  
Councillors unanimously resolved that the minutes of the Leisure & Community Committee meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November to be confirmed and approved for signature (Appendix A).

**L25/042**      **Finance- Appendix B-D.**  
No update tabled.

**L25/043**      **Grant Applications**  
To consider applications received.  
No applications received.

**L25/044**      **To review Grant Policy and Application Form.**  
The Grant Policy was reviewed, and it was agreed to make the following changes:  
1. The maximum amount per grant would change from £1500 to £1000.  
2. The amount for registered charities in response to a general fundraising appeal would be a maximum of £200.  
3. The committee would accept grants at two meetings per year, it was agreed September and March would be the meetings. Applications for these meetings would need to be received by 14<sup>th</sup> August and 14<sup>th</sup> February to enable paperwork to be completed for the relevant meeting.  
The Grant Application would be amended as follows:  
1. The application would become electronic so that all boxes that are required would be completed by the applicants, this would mean less chasing for missed information and enough information for grant decisions to be made.

2. Applicants will be encouraged to come along to meetings and present their grant applications.
3. The form would include a question asking if the applicant had applied to others for a grant, along side the question on amount already raised.

It was agreed the amended forms would be reviewed at the next meeting and then the first grant meeting for the next budget year would be in September. Madeley Matters would be used to inform groups of the new procedures and amounts.

**L25/045     Grass cutting services 2025.**

The committee agreed to make the following amendments to the Grass cutting service application form:

1. Is there anyone else living in your home? Name all people on the electoral register for this property.
2. Are they able to help cut your lawn?
3. Do you receive Pension Credit?
4. Who cuts your grass now?

It was agreed to send the new application out to update our records and then evaluate the criteria.

**L25/046     Correspondence**

Email received from Joy Langford Events organiser for Chilcott Gardens had written to explain that they did not receive any funding from Coverage Care who the home, the committee agreed to re look at the grant in March when they knew how much money they had left in the budget.

The committee also received several emails and cards from residents saying thank you for the Christmas parties and events the Town Council had put on over the Christmas period.

**L25/047     Information**

No information.

**L25/048     Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Leisure and Community Committee of Madeley Town Council is provisionally scheduled to take place on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025 at 6.30 pm at Jubilee House, High Street, Madeley.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 7.19pm.

Signed

Dated: