

# <u>Carlton Colville, Kessingland, Southwold and villages</u> <u>Community Partnership</u>

# Action Notes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 16 February 2022 at 6pm remotely via Zoom

<u>ESC Councillors</u> – Councillor Norman Brooks (Chairman), Councillor David Beavan, Councillor Craig Rivett, Councillor Letitia Smith

SCC Councillors - Cllrs Michael Ladd, Cllr Melanie Vigo Di Gallidoro

<u>Town and Parish Councils</u> – Cllr Sam Auger-Forbes (Kessingland Parish Council), Alison Ayers (Carlton Colville Town Council), Neil Coleby (Clerk Kessingland Parish Council), Cllr Pam Cyprien (Reydon Parish Council, Ian Haines (Clerk Westleton Parish Council), Cllr Chris Thomas (Carlton Colville Town Council)

# Partnership Organisations -

Others present (non-voting) – Luke Bennett (Partnerships Manager), Louise Carter (Communities Support Officer), Jo McCallum (Communities Officer), Alli Stone (Democratic Services Officer

Item	Discussion
1.	Welcome and Apologies for Absence
	The Chairman, Councillor Norman Brooks (NB) welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chairman informed the meeting that it was Jo McCallums last meeting as Communities Officer, and thanked her for all her work for communities in this area.
	Apologies were received from Cllr Jenny Ceresa, Cllr Judy Cloke, Cllr Annette Dunning, Lynne Fulcher and Phil Love.
2.	Action notes
	The notes of the meeting held on the 17 November 2021 were agreed.  Jo McCallum (JM) confirmed that the Southwold Virtual Walk would be live this week, and shared a preview clip.
3.	Community Partnership Board Update



A written update had been shared with the group, there were no questions raised.

#### 4. CP Priorities Workshop Feedback

JM referred to the notes of the CP Workshop which had been circulated with the agenda, and highlighted the following key points:

- Social isolation as an issue which affected all age groups, being compounded by lack of mental health provision.
- Lack of volunteers due to covid.
- Lack of venues for groups, and knowledge of how to safely set up a venue (including covid safety).
- Need for better transport to groups/services, it was suggested that all CP projects should include details of what transport was in place to support the project.

# 5. Small Grants Panel Update

Small Grants Panel would be held on 2 March, and several applications had come forward all of which met the CP priorities.

Details of the projects would be shared at the next CP meeting when funding had been confirmed.

# 6. Consideration of the Community Partnership's Projects

## **Southwold Skate Park**

JM and Cllr David Bevan summarised the Southwold Skate Park project. The project had first been discussed at a CP meeting and had since been proactively led by the community. The project proposed to replace the existing wooden skate park with a concrete skate park, total costs were estimated at £80,000. The park was on Southwold Town Council land, and the Town Council were supportive of the project and had agreed to maintain the park going forward.

The Partnership discussed the project and raised the following points:

- Increasing costs of materials pushing project costs up, and whether £80,000 was sufficient for a project of this type. Cllr Bevan confirmed that local builders had been asked to submit proposals for around £60-80,000 and that they were confident the project could be completed for this amount.
- The project timeline, and how long funding should be held for the project. It was agreed that the money would be ringfenced for 8 months of the next financial year to allow the project to get underway.



ACTION: It was agreed to allocate £10,000 to the Southwold Skatepark project, to be held for the next financial year.

The following projects had been discussed with Jo McCallum and the Partnership was asked to indicate their support prior to a full application form being received.

#### **Bramfield School – Operation Outdoors**

JM summarised the project from Bramfield School to set up an outdoor barn for use by the school and community for a variety of sports. £22,000 had been raised so far, and the school would be applying for £5,000 from the Community Partnership for this financial year.

NB expressed his support for the project, which was widely supported by neighbouring communities.

ACTION: £5,000 to be allocated to Bramfield School, subject to a written funding proposal being received.

#### **Kessingland Men's Shed**

JM summarised the project from Kessingland Mens Shed to purchase a planer thicknesser machine to allow them to plane timber which had been donated by a local business.

The Men's Shed was well supported by the local community and was an excellent facility for the village which helped tackle social isolation.

ACTION: £2,000 to be allocated, subject to a written funding proposal being received.

## **Kessingland Community Kitchen and Wildlife Garden**

JM summarised the project from the Kessingland Community Kitchen and Wildlife Garden to purchase two raised beds which would make the garden more accessible. Neil Coleby confirmed that the Kessingland Men's Shed were involved in building equipment for the project.

ACTION: £1900 to be allocated subject to a written funding proposal being received.

It was suggested that the remaining funds (approx. £6,000) be held to provide funds to sports groups wanting to increase their provision as sports groups had been identified as a key part of the CP aims. The money would provide resources rather than capital funds.

ACTION: Remaining funds to be allocated to a funding pot for sports groups



	Pam Cyprien highlighted a sports facility in Reydon which was in need of funding to complete a facility. Luke Bennett would pick this up with the group and the funding team outside of the meeting as it required a larger amount of money to complete.
7.	Date of Next Meeting
	It was confirmed that the next meeting would take place on:
	Wednesday, 27 April 2022 at 6pm
	It was agreed that this would be a hybrid meeting, held at Riverside.

The meeting concluded at 18.49pm.