

GLEN PARVA PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE LIBRARY & CAFÉ COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 20
NOVEMBER 2020 AT 10.00AM VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM.

PRESENT VICE CHAIRMAN Mr S Sidorowicz
 Mr A Methven, Mr M Prideaux, Mrs L Sidorowicz,
 Mrs H Adamson, Mrs C Thomas, Mrs P Godsmark,
 Mrs L French, Mrs M Harnwell.

PARISH COUNCIL MANAGER Mrs J Pollard

DEPUTY PARISH COUNCIL MANAGER Miss R Ayton

Mr Sidorowicz in the Chair.

Lc20/37 Receive and Approve Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Mrs Bancroft. Mrs Bottrill has stepped down from the committee.

Lc20/38 Consideration of Code of Conduct & Standards Issues.

There were no dispensation requests received.

Lc20/39 Public Participation.

There were no members of the public present.

Lc20/40 Receive Minutes of the Meeting Held on 16 October.

The minutes were received by the committee.

Lc20/41 Receive Notes of Library Volunteer Working Group Held on
15 October 2020

The minutes were received by the committee. The library volunteers are happy to keep the library running during the current pandemic and regular working group meetings are held.

Lc20/42 Glen Hills Library

1. Closure of Library Due to Covid-19 Pandemic- Resume Click and Collect Service.

Mrs Sidorowicz explained that there was a choice of closing the library altogether or resuming the click and collect service. The click

and collect service resumed on Monday 9th November with the opening hours of Monday mornings 10-12pm and Thursday afternoons 2-4pm.

Figures for customers using the library service had risen in recent months with 131 books issued in September and 221 in October.

The last day will be Monday 21st December and the library will reopen on Monday 4th January providing government guidelines allow. Members of the working group will meet before Christmas for further discussion.

2. Volunteer Activities

The virtual quiz night on 28 October was a great success with volunteers all having an enjoyable evening. Twelve teams took part in the quiz and volunteers would like to have the opportunity to meet virtually again. Mrs Thomas was thanked for her hard work in facilitating this event..

3. Glen Hills Together Community Project.

Mrs Thomas explained to the committee what the project involves. The aim is to decorate the railings outside the café and library with decorations made by the community. Decorations can be handed into the library and will be added to the railings from 1st December. They will then be on display throughout the month.

Funding for this project will contribute towards the cost of materials and Claire Bradshaw from Leicestershire County Council visiting on 1st December to take some photographs. An advertising banner is being produced which will be hung on the railings.

Mrs Thomas has been in contact with Glen Hills Court, West View Nursing Home and Birch Court and residents are keen to take part in the project. Glen Hills Primary School and Glen Hills Pre School would also like to be involved.

A Design a Logo competition is in the pipeline with children of Glen Parva being invited to take part. The winning logo will be printed on mugs, paid for by project funding.

Councillor Prideaux suggested other ideas such as a photograph exhibition displaying winter scenes of Glen Parva. Members of the community could also provide recipes and short stories which could then be collated into a book.. Mrs Sidorowicz suggested a display in the library at the end of the project detailing the different activities that have taken place.

Mrs French informed the committee that Mr French could design an A5 flyer to be delivered with the December edition of the Glen Parva Parish Council newsletter advertising the upcoming projects and encourage people to become involved.

Lc20/43 The Park Café – Closure Due to Covid-19 Pandemic.

The Park Café closed on Wednesday 4th November and volunteers are currently unsure of plans regarding reopening which is dependent on the government guidelines after 2nd December.

The viability of a take away service was discussed but no decision was made. It was agreed that Councillor Martin would communicate with volunteers once more information is known about reopening.

Volunteers have expressed their concern over the spacing of tables in the café. Mrs Adamson, Mrs Godsmark and Mrs Harnwell agreed that it is best to have four tables with 3 seats at each. Councillor Methven asked the committee to keep the table situation under constant review and to contact him should they have any concerns.

It was agreed by the committee that the café and library in its entirety should have a maximum capacity of 25 people including volunteers. Mrs Sidorowicz will adapt library policy to reflect this.

Councillor Sidorowicz reported that registering for a card reader is problematic due to the constraints given. The PCM will look into this.

Lc20/44 Date of Next Meeting.

Friday 15 January at 10.00am via Zoom.

RA 20.11.20