

Great Chart with Singleton Parish Council

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Stronger Communities Committee held on Wednesday 26th April 2023 at 5:15pm in the Parish Office **MINUTES**

PRESENT: Cllrs Alexander, Y Barker, S Gathern, Sullivan, Wiffen.

ALSO PRESENT: Paula Cowperthwaite (Deputy Clerk).

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr D Gathern, McClintock.

2. Declarations of Interest

To hear declarations of interest, relating to

2.1. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None

2.2. Other Significant Interests

Cllr Alexander – Item 4.1

2.3. Other Interests

None

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

The committee resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 7th March 2023 as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr Sullivan	Seconded: Cllr Y Barker	Vote for: 5
Against: 0	Abstain: 0	Motion carried

4. Community Fridge project

4.1. Update on current status

The fridge has been running well and people are visiting at various times of day and taking something from most items. There are a few times where the fridge looks a little empty now that we have two smaller deliveries and volunteers are putting out items over multiple days. On the other hand, a full fridge could encourage people to take more than they need.

It was proposed to increase the number of delivery trays to up to 15 per order, and to include 1 tray of raw meat of 500g or less per delivery. This will limit the meat received to smaller packets which will benefit more people, rather than one large joint of meat that would only benefit one family.

The committee resolved to increase deliveries to up to 15 trays per order with 1 tray of raw meat included in each order.

Proposed: Cllr Alexander	Seconded: Cllr Y Barker	Vote for: 5
Against: 0	Abstain: 0	Motion carried

The blue pantry cupboard has been agreed with the village hall committee and will be purchased as soon as possible. A hygiene and household tray will be added to orders once the cupboard is in place.

ACTION: Cllr Wiffen to source 'red box' items from organisations that will donate products for free.

An Eat Well Spend Less has been proposed for 9th August. There is concern that it will be less busy in the school holidays but there will be promotion across social media and within schools etc.

ACTION: Deputy Clerk to enquire about availability of the main hall instead of using Lily's Café.

An information stall about the fridge and donation point will be at the Big Lunch event on 17th June and councillors will organise cover for this stall.

A doodle poll or similar will be set up to formalise help for drop offs and rotation of food.

ACTION: Deputy Clerk to investigate QR code donations for the fridge project.

4.2. Access to storage cupboard and fridge

After a brief discussion it was agreed to unlock the cupboard for the time it takes to get a second key cut for it, with use of master keys if needed.

ACTION: Cllr Wiffen to approach SVH committee for permission to install a separate key lock for the key once it is cut.

A thermometer and relevant recording paperwork will be set up for the storage fridge.

5. Date and venue of next meeting

The date and time of the next meeting was agreed as Tuesday 23rd May at 17:15pm in the Parish Office.

The meeting closed at 19:00pm

Signed as a true record by;

Cllr Katrina Alexander _____

Date: _____