

Great Chart with Singleton Parish Council

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Stronger Communities Committee held on Tuesday 4th June 2024 At 5pm in the Parish Office **MINUTES**

PRESENT: Cllrs Y Barker, Sullivan, Wiffen, Paula Cowperthwaite (Deputy Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr McClintock.

2. Declarations of Interest

To hear declarations of interest, relating to

2.1. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None

2.2. Other Significant Interests

None

2.3. Other Interests

None

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

The committee resolved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 22 April 2024 as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr Sullivan	Seconded: Cllr Wiffen	Vote for: 3
Against: 0	Abstain: 0	Motion carried

4. Community Fridge project

The user surveys are currently being carried out and a number have been filled in. These will continue until end of June and councillors and volunteers will be asked to take shifts asking or assisting with the questions.

The main items people are looking for at this stage seem to be fresh fruit and vegetables and bread.

It was noted that regular visitors should be surveyed for every visit for an accurate reflection of who is visiting and why.

It was agreed that the current way of working is not benefiting the majority due to the minority taking more than the 4 items stipulated. A suggested alternative has been that volunteers put items out and stay on site for one hour, returning any remaining stock to the storeroom at the end of the hour, unless it has a Use By of that date, or there is a surplus of a particular item such as the crates of fruit and veg. These will be left for anyone to take, along with any other donations left by residents, OLIO or Co-op Hour long shifts to be carried out by volunteers, with fresh fruit and veg put out and left out, with more valuable food put out for the hour, then put away at the end of the 'shift'.

This can be organised with each individual volunteer.

The committee resolved to agree the following action points:

- Surveys to continue until end of June
- Deputy Clerk to speak with each volunteer to assess their intended level of involvement with any proposed new system
- Brainstorm logistics of how to run the 'manned hours' with those involved
- Source a suitable table for use during manned hours

Proposed: Cllr Sullivan	Seconded: Cllr Wiffen	Vote for: 3
Against: 0	Abstain: 0	Motion carried

5. Big Lunch 2024

5.1. To agree promotion of Singleton Community Fridge at event

The committee resolved to agree the following action points:

- A table to be provided for promoting Singleton Community Fridge
- A banner to be ordered using the fridge header sign for the design
- Cllr Y Barker to organise a raffle for a toiletries and/or dry goods hamper, which will be put together by Cllr Sullivan
- A collection point for dry goods will be provided decorated with information on what can and can't be donated.
- A banner may also be ordered for promoting the parish council more generally

Proposed: Cllr Y Barker	Seconded: Cllr Sullivan	Vote for: 3
Against: 0	Abstain: 0	Motion carried

5.2. To agree volunteer roles for the event

Roles to support the Community Fridge were agreed in item 5.1. For the event itself suggestions were given for help with car parking and the setting up of tables and chairs for stall holders and performers.

6. Eat Well Spend Less

The committee resolved to attend the roadshow. However, there will not be a raffle due to the other stalls attending the event, there will be more emphasis on volunteering and donating to the fridge.

Proposed: Cllr Y Barker	Seconded: Cllr Wiffen	Vote for: 3
Against: 0	Abstain: 0	Motion carried

7. Date and venue of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 1st July 2024 at 5pm in the Parish Office.

The meeting closed at 18:30pm

Signed as a true record by;

Cllr Yolanda Barker: _____

Date: _____