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To: All Members of the Community Services Committee: Councillors L Bray, A Brown, N Farmer, M Jackson, D Jarman, G Sanders, M Wakeman, A White, C Woodward.

All other Members of the Council for information.

Dear Councillor

An informal meeting of the Community Services Committee will be held remotely on Microsoft Teams on Wednesday 17 June 2020 commencing at 2.00pm. All Members of the Council are invited to participate online or via telephone.

Yours sincerely

David J Martin  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

## AGENDA

1. Apologies

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any Declaration(s) of Interest under Corsham Town Council's Code of Conduct issued in accordance with the Localism Act 2011.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 22 January 2020 - *for information only*.

- i) Town Centre Survey: Corsham Market (*Minute CS 54/19 and others*)
- ii) Lamppost Advertising

4. Corsham Town Council Events in 2020 – Due to the coronavirus crisis, both Taste of Corsham (13 June 2020) and the Summer Fete (4 July 2020) have been cancelled and rearranged for next year. A decision is still to be made on the Street Fair (12 September 2020). The Committee is asked for its thoughts on whether the Street Fair should go ahead. Following a meeting with Andrew Hall of Martingate, the Head of Community Services and Planning and Events Officer have alternative suggestions for ways of helping the retailers and local charities and organisations which will be presented at the meeting – *for discussion and comment*.
5. Creative Corsham Strategy 2017-2022 (CS 39/16) – The Creative Corsham Strategy was approved by the Community Services Committee in November 2016. The Strategy included an Action Plan to guide the Town Council's work in the Arts during the years 2017-2022. The Action Plan Update (*attached*) reports on the work completed over the past four years – *for information and comment*.
6. Public Art Strategy (*Minute CS 52/19*) – One of the objectives in the Creative Corsham Strategy Action Plan was to create a Public Art Strategy for the Town Council. Given the ambitions to have more public artworks in Corsham, and the selection of priority sites for public art at January's Community Services Committee meeting, the Arts and Tourism Officer has now written a draft Public Art Strategy (*to follow*). The Committee is asked for its comments on the Strategy - *for information and comment*.
7. Public Art Brief – Springfield Recreation Ground (*Minutes CS 52/19, CS 43/19*) – Springfield Recreation Ground was chosen as the top priority for a new piece of public art at the Community Services Committee meeting held on 22 January 2020. The Town Council has also allocated £10,000 in its budget for public art in the 2020/21 financial year. Following discussions with the Chief Executive and Head of Technical Services regarding the planned ongoing improvement works at Springfield, the Arts and Tourism Officer has produced a draft Public Art Brief for new fencing and gates on the Valley Road side of the site (*attached*). The Committee will also be updated on the Cross Keys public art project – *for information and comment*.
8. Arts Survey Report – The Town Council has been gathering feedback from town centre retailers and businesses regarding the impact the coronavirus crisis has had on them. Cllrs A Crockford and N Farmer suggested that the Arts sector should be surveyed separately, given the large artistic community in Corsham and their importance to the local economy. The survey also asked respondents for suggestions on how the Town Council could, potentially, help artists both during this time and in the longer-term. A report on the survey's findings is attached – *for discussion and comment*.
9. Corsham StoryTown 16-18 October 2020 (*Minute CS 41/19 and others*) – The Committee will be updated on the latest plans for this year's StoryTown event – *for information and comment*.
10. Arts Therapy Workshop – Cllr N Farmer will report on his proposals for a day-long workshop of arts therapy providers, involving qualified therapists in various fields, local care homes and health providers and end-users, as a way of bringing together those who need help for mental health issues caused by the coronavirus crisis and those who can provide the support needed – *for information and comment*.