

SOUTH SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL

Broadgreen Working Party

Leisure & Amenities Committee – 13 March 2018

1. Introduction

This is a report from the Broadgreen Working Party meeting on 06 March 2018.

2. Report Details

- 2.1** The Parish Council has been running Broadgreen Community Centre since 1 July 2017. The Centre Manager Gifty Tawiah reported to the Working Group on the progress made in regards to centre usage and centre income and the planned Street Food Festival for 16 June 2018.
- 2.2** A report comparing centre usage from 1 July 2016 to 28 February 2017 when the centre was managed by Swindon Borough Council (SBC) and 1 July 2017 to 28 February 2018 showed 515 more bookings since the Parish Council took over. An increase of just over 7 per cent.
- 2.3** In the same period SBC sent 19 invoices for a total of £2,609.98 and the Parish Council has sent 172 invoices for a total of £34,862.07.
- 2.4** The cumulative income for the centre at the end of January 2018 was £23,082 against expenditure of £22,226. This shows a small surplus for the first time of £856. The annual budget for the centre is £52,550.
- 2.5** A report of the work to date on organising the Broadgreen Community Centre Street Food Festival on 16 June 2018, was given along with the costings for quotes already received (copy attached).

A letter has been sent to the residences in the vicinity of the community centre about the event. This will be repeated at intervals leading up to the event. The Fire Service and the Police Service have been approached and they will both be in attendance as a community engagement activity with vehicles.

The next steps are for the Road Closure application, Temporary Events Licence and the Event Notification to be sent to SBC; the artwork design to be completed for the event; other quotes to be finalised and more stallholders to be approached.

A request for support from Councillors to plan the event and to help on the day will be sent out in the near future.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1** That the Parish Council approve the costings received to date for the Street Food Festival.
- 3.2** That the report of the Broadgreen Working Party be noted.