

HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

FESTIVITIES AND EVENTS COMMITTEE

Notice is given of a meeting of the Festivities and Events Committee to be held at the Fleur de Lys Council Chambers, Market Square, Hailsham on **Monday 10th June 2013** at **6.00 pm**.

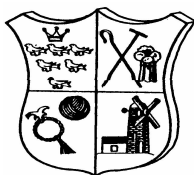
Prior to commencement of the formal business a period of not more than 15 minutes will be set aside during which Members of the Public present will be permitted to address the Committee at the invitation and discretion of the Chairman.

The Order of business to be transacted will thereafter be:-

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**
To receive notice of declarations of personal and prejudicial interests in respect of items on this agenda.
3. **Confirmation of Report**
To confirm the notes of the meeting of the Festivities Group held on Monday May 20th 2013
4. **Matters Arising**
5. **Appointment of Vice Chairman**
6. **Update on the Christmas light switch on**
7. **Hailsham Arts Festival 2013**
8. **Christmas Market 2013**
9. **To consider a request to hold a funfair on Hailsham Country Park**

John Harrison
Town Clerk
29.5.13

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REPORT (Minutes) of the Festivities and Events Committee relating to the organisation of festivities and events held at the Fleur de Lys Council Chambers, Market Square, Hailsham on Monday 10th June 2013 at 6.00 pm.

Prior to commencement of formal business, a period of not more than 15 minutes was assigned for the purpose of permitting members of the public to address the Committee or ask questions (on matters relevant to the responsibilities under direction of this Committee) at the invitation and discretion of the presiding Chairman.

None were present.

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Committee members present

Councillors: J. Bentley (Chairman) Mrs M. Burt, Mrs A. O'Rawe, Mr C. Triandafyllou,

Other members present

Councillor N. Collinson, Mr B. Macey, Mr P. Soane, Mr J. Wilders

Officers in attendance: K. Moralee and M. Caira

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Apologies For Absence:

Committee Members

Councillors M. Ryan and Mrs M. Skinner

Other members

Mr J. Tipler

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Declarations of Interest

Councillor N. Collinson declared a personal interest in item 8, Hailsham Arts Festival, as he owns a business in the High Street.

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Confirmation of Minutes

Mr J. Wilders advised that the Murder Mystery event was being organised by the Ropemaker Theatre Company and asked for this information to be included.

RESOLVED that the notes of the festivities meeting held on Monday 20th May 2013 be

amended and confirmed as a correct record.

5 **Matters Arising**

None were received.

6 **Appointment of Vice Chairman**

Members voted to appoint Mrs M. Skinner as Vice Chairman

7 **Update of Christmas light switch on**

Members were advised that the Christmas light switch on for 2013 will be held on Saturday November 23rd. The Committee Clerk advised that at the current time no plans were being made to have any entertainment at the switch on. Councillor Bentley considered that perhaps it would be possible to organise some carol singing or music and someone to switch on the lights.

M. Cairn reported that there will be additional lights this year, with extra lights at the frontage of Vicarage Field. Councillor Bentley suggested the market stall holders could be asked to bring lights for their stalls to add to the lighting effect.

Hailsham Community College will be approached to see if they wish to provide music or carol singing for the switch on.

8 **Hailsham Arts Festival 2013**

Councillor N. Collinson stated that Hailsham FM now has a frequency – 87.7 FM. The programme of events for the Arts Festival will be drawn up over the next couple of weeks and will also be included in the Town Cryer. He suggested the Town Council may wish to get involved with the umbrella parade and place the Town Crest on one of the umbrellas. He advised that the Chairman of Wealden District Council will officially open the parade.

Councillor Bentley stated that £2,500 in the form of a grant could be given by the Committee to the Arts Festival but this will have to go to Full Town Council to be ratified.

Members discussed the scarecrows to be placed around the town to coincide with the Arts Festival and it was suggested this could be organised for the first week of September, in the run up to the event, with the scarecrows strategically placed on the route of the umbrella parade.

Councillor Bentley reported she has contacted the Loom Mill in Hailsham and can obtain some reasonably priced materials to create the scarecrows, plus materials could also be obtained from charity shops. It was confirmed that Councillors J. Bentley, M. Burt, A. O'Rawe and M. Skinner will lead the organisation of the scarecrow competition.

9 **Christmas Market**

It was agreed the Christmas market will be held on Saturday 14th December. Members discussed the skate rink and were in favour of placing this on Vicarage Field.

B. Macey from Hailsham Rotary confirmed the Rotary can provide Father Christmas on the

day from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm.

K. Moralee advised that any potential stall holders that contact her regarding the market will be passed onto P. Soane.

P. Soane stated he will approach Asda to book the Quintins so the area can be used for face painting and in the event of inclement weather.

J. Wilders advised that the Lions will be holding a candy floss stall, lucky dip, a book sale, and he also booked a place for their tombola.

K. Moralee confirmed she will organise the road closure for the day and Chandlers BMW have agreed to place one of their cars across the barrier when the market starts.

There was some discussion over the opening and closing times of the skate rink and the market, and it was considered that the start time could be approximately 9.00 am and closing time approximately 6.00 pm.

K. Moralee said she had approached the Kingfisher marching band to play at the market and it was agreed they be booked in for two sessions for the early afternoon/late morning.

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Funfair

K. Moralee advised that Mr B. Mitchell of B. Mitchell and Sons had made a request to hold a funfair on the Country Park. Members discussed this and agreed that the Country Park was not an appropriate venue for a funfair. A report will be taken to the next Full Town Council meeting recommending refusal on this request.

Resolved to recommend that the request by Mr B. Mitchell to hold a funfair on the Country Park be refused.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.00 pm. The next meeting will be held on Monday 15th July at 6.00pm.

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