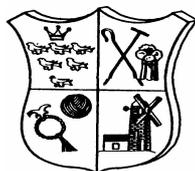


HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE



REPORT (Minutes) of the Communities Committee relating to the organisation of festivities and events held at the Fleur de Lys Council Chambers, Market Street, Hailsham, on Wednesday 30th August 2017 at 6.00 pm.

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Prior to commencement of the formal business of the meeting, a period of not more than 15 minutes will be assigned for the purpose of permitting members of the public to address the assembly, or ask questions on matters relevant to responsibilities under the direction of this committee, at the discretion of the Chairman

Mr G. Mills asked the Committee to consider closing the High Street for the next Christmas market. Members noted Mr Mills comments.

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Committee members present

Councillors: B. Beckett (substituting for N. Collinson), G. Blake Coggins, Mrs A. Clarke, Mrs S. Cottingham, R. Grocock, M. Pinkney, C. Triandafyllou (Vice Chairman)

In the absence of Ms. A. O'rawe, C. Triandafyllou chaired the meeting

Other members present

Mrs G. Constable (Hailsham Lions), B. Funnell (Hailsham Rotary) R. Piggott (Bonfire Society), B. Pratt (Farmers' Market), J. Seale,

Other Councillors in attendance: M. Laxton and J. Puttick
Officer in attendance: K. Giddings

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Apologies For Absence:

Committee Members

Councillors N. Collinson and Ms A. O'Rawe

Other members

D. Sinden (Hailsham Parish Church)

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Declarations of Interest

None were received

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Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED to note the minutes of the Communities Committee meeting held on Monday 3rd July 2017 were confirmed as a correct record.

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To receive an update about progress of resolutions from the last meeting of the Communities Committee on 3rd July 2017

It was noted that all resolutions would be discussed throughout the meeting

Additional Planters

Members were advised that a meeting had taken place between the Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk, Councillors R. Grocock and A. O'Rawe, East Sussex County Council and East Sussex Association of Blind and partially sighted people (ESAB) to discuss the planters and bollards proposed for the High Street.

Whilst ESAB had confirmed they were in favour of 3ft high bollards, they had requested that planters are not placed in the High Street as they are a hindrance for anyone who is blind or partially sighted.

Much discussion ensued, members expressed concern at the potential cost of the bollards and were unsure of the exact locations of the bollards. It was considered further information and clarity on ESAB's findings against the placing of planters in the High Street was also required.

B. Funnell arrived at 6.10 pm

Members agreed to defer a decision to only place bollards in the High Street and asked for further clarification from ESAB on their findings. Members requested that this item is taken to the Full Town Council meeting in September and that ESAB are requested to submit their Equality Impact and Risk assessment report to this meeting. A decision on this matter will then be made at the next Communities meeting in October.

Hailsham Forward

J. Seale provided an update to the Committee on the Community Group. She advised that the format for the Community Group had changed, with various presentations now given to the group including one to be given shortly by the Chamber of Commerce. J. Seale requested that a member of Hailsham Forward attends their next group meeting on 14th September. K. Giddings advised she would make enquires on this.

Summer Events 2017 feedback**Celebrate Hailsham event in June**

K. Giddings advised that the feedback on the event had been positive, with many of the High Street shops keen to be involved in a similar event next year. The children's ride had not been particularly busy although this may have been due to the wet weather but the organiser of the sensory tent had advised they were very busy on the day.

Summer market in July

K. Giddings reported that the bands had proved popular, the indian food stall was a good addition to the event and the Harveys beer stall had appeared quite busy. It was agreed that a larger number of food stalls would be required for a successful future event.

Hailsham Lions event on Sunday 23rd July

G. Constable reported that the event had been a great success and Hailsham Active had signed up a large number of children at the event. A profit had been made and this will go towards future projects. G. Constable stated that the Lions are already receiving requests from stallholders for bookings for next year's event. The Fun Day has been booked for next year with permission also received from the cricket club to hold the event on Western Road Recreation Ground.

Hailsham Community Walking Carnival

Councillors M. Laxton and J. Puttick addressed the Committee regarding their idea for a Walking Carnival at Western Road Recreation Ground. An email from both Councillor Puttick

and M. Laxton had been sent to the Clerk and Chairman highlighting the details of the event and this email is below:

*Hailsham Community Walking Carnival
Sunday 23rd September 2018 12 till 3pm (at the end of Cricket Season) During the Arts Festival . Westen Road Recreational Ground.*

Please can we have permission to use the grounds .

*We would like to 're introduce the "Carnival" with a difference .
A Walking Model on the Rec that all PTAs at our schools and community groups can participate in .*

*We will have a "themed parade" around the field and a judged competition then entertainment .
We have a small team of mums and like minded residents including Myself and Mary who have been initially putting out feelers and started to plan this exciting event .*

Clearly funding is a priority for this carnival.It will benifit all the community and participants with in our Parish. We would like support from the Town Council community committe in the funding of 2 Accessible Porti toilets and St Johns Ambulances and 2 Vinyl Banners. Total £500.

*The Lions Club have Offered to provide the BBQ and Refreshments .
Waitrose are currently exploring how they can assist with Funding to provide entertainment for the children after the parade.
We have a sponser for Flyers and Posters and Art Design*

*Clearly if you supported the event your logo will go on all advertising .
By Having a Sunday Event it will not impact on High Street Trade .*

Thank you

*Cllr John Puttick .
Cllr Mary Laxton .*

Members were advised that the insurance for the event will be covered by the Town Council and the cricket pitch will be protected on the day of the event.

Members agreed they were in support of the event.

RESOLVED to recommend to Full Council to allocate £500.00 from the Festivities budget to the Walking Carnival

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Costed Plan for events in 2018

30th June market

Members agreed to organise another "Celebrate Hailsham Day" on 30th June but to consider booking walking entertainment/mascots instead of booking balloon modelling and face painting

Live music would also be booked for the event

28th July market

It was agreed to consider holding a road closure for the event on 28th July and to look into booking a French or Italian market for the event

Live music would also be booked for the event

J. Puttick left the meeting at 7.00 pm

Hailsham Lions event

Councillor M. Laxton had emailed the Committee Clerk to request funding for the Lions Fun Day in 2018 and this email is below:

Dear Chair

Following the fantastic community day held by the Lions Club And Hailsham Active its has been agreed by both parties that they will repeat the event again on Sunday 22nd July 2018 .

Please can we have permission to use the grounds .

Secondly would the committee like to be the main sponser of the event as you did this year for £1000 for this amount your logo went on all the advertising and publicity .

The feed back was from the public despite a few cloudy and wet moments was that it was the first multi community event in a long time to be held on the field where at least 20 plus stall holders made money for there own cause .

As I put the bid in for the joint community day last year i said I would be more than willing to do it again .

The total cost of running the event was £1138.55

Broken down as followed : St Johns Ambulance £136 .00

Sensory Tent £210.00

HFM Radio £250.00

Punch And Judy £150.00

BBQ& CAFE £226.00

Van and Fuel £90.00

Ink for Posters £21.40

Jewsons tapes etc £ 25.31

Advert £ 30.00

Cllr Mary Laxton .

Members were again in favour of supporting the event and agreed to allocate £1000.00 towards the event.

Christmas

Members agreed to hold a christmas market and light switch on in 2018 with further details to be agreed at a later meeting.

RESOLVED to recommend to Council to approve the proposed costed plan for the community events in 2018 with an additional £500.00 to be allocated to the Hailsham Community Walking Carnival

B. Funnell left at 7.10 pm

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Christmas Light Switch on 2017

Members were advised that all the local shops had been contacted to ask if they would be interested in participating in a late night shopping event along with the switch on event. It was confirmed that only a small number of shops had agreed to opening late on the night and after discussion the Committee decided there were not enough shops committed to opening on the night to warrant organising a late night shopping event.

The switch on will be arranged for between 5.00 – 6.00 pm

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Bonfire Society

R. Piggott reported a successful jumble sale and advised the bonfire society will be attending their first bonfire event this coming Saturday

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Hailsham Festival

There was no further update

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.30 pm.

The next meeting will be held at 6.00 pm on Monday 2nd October 2017.

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