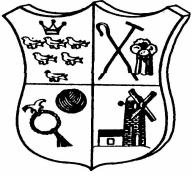


# HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE



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 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 6.00 pm.

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.

None were present

## CC/16/7x/138 **Committee members present**

Councillors: Mrs B. Beckett (substituting for L. Collinson), G. Blake Coggins, Mrs A. Clarke, Mrs S. Cottingham, R. Grocock, A. O'Rawe, (Chairman) C. Triandafyllou (Vice Chairman)

## **Other members present**

Mrs G. Constable, J. Cullen (Hailsham Community College), B. Funnell, R. Piggott (Bonfire Society), B. Pratt (Farmers' Market), J. Seale, D. Sinden (Hailsham Church)

Officers in attendance: K. Giddings, M. Caira

## 139 **Apologies For Absence:**

### **Committee Members**

Councillors Mrs L. Collinson

### **Other members**

None were received

## 140 **Declarations of Interest**

None were received

## 141 **Confirmation of Minutes**

J. Seale advised she was noted as being present at the last meeting but she had not attended the meeting.

**RESOLVED** to note the minutes of the Communities Committee meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 were amended and confirmed as a correct record.

## 142 **To receive an update about progress of resolutions from the last meeting of the Communities Committee on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017**

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

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### **Additional Planters**

Members were advised that 17 planters were needed in the Town Centre to prevent parking on the pavement, although this would not completely solve the parking problem and some extra small bollards may be required on top of the planters. Concern was expressed that if no action is taken then the pavement will be damaged over time. M. Cairra advised that permission will need to be obtained for this from East Sussex County Council Highways.

Members discussed the three quotations obtained by R. Grocock

B. Funnell reminded members that Hailsham Rotary had offered to sponsor a planter and members discussed the possibility of approaching the Town Centre shops for sponsorship.

J. Seale arrived at 6.15 pm

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**RESOLVED** to recommend to Council that:

- i) A maximum of 17 planters are purchased from Amberol, in the colour of light marble, at a cost of £6343.57 plus VAT to be funded from the Revitalisation fund
- ii) A number of concrete spheres are also purchased to be placed as appropriate

All the above is subject to consultation with East Sussex County Council Highways approving the location of the planters and concrete spheres

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### **Hailsham Forward**

Mrs T. Ryland had contacted the Council to advise that she had received a job offer and would be closing her company down at the end of June. She had asked whether the Council would still like her to source traders until the end of June. Members agreed they would like Mrs Ryland to continue to work for the Council until the end of June and possibly pass her trader list to the Council at this time. M. Cairra advised that so far Mrs Ryland had sourced 7 new traders for the Street Markets.

Members were informed that discussions are taking place to turn Hailsham Forward into a Community Interest Company.

J. Seale explained she now oversees the Community Forum and asked what support would still be provided by Hailsham Forward in the running of the Forum. M. Cairra reported that C. Letchska had taken over the administration of the street markets from M. Hagger and he would organise some support for the Community Forum.

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### **Summer Events 2017**

#### **June 24<sup>th</sup> market**

K. Giddings reported that Centre Events had now contacted her and the tea cup ride was confirmed and booked for the event. She advised she had discussed the idea of a ramp with the organiser, as advised by Councillor M. Laxton, but that the owner of the ride had stated that the tea cup ride was not big enough to accommodate a wheel chair and therefore there was no need for a ramp. He had suggested placing a sign by the ride advising that disabled children are welcome to use the ride and to speak to the operator for direction. The ride is insured for the use of adults so a disabled child can be lifted into the ride by their carer and the carer can then ride in the tea cup with them.

M. Cairra advised that 11 community groups are booked so far for the event:

Hailsham Lions, candy floss  
Hailsham Bonfire Society, sweet spinner

Herstmonceux Observatory, science information and promotion  
Sussex Community Development Association, smoothie bike  
Hailsham Twinning Association, 2 games plus cakes  
Hailsham Foodbank, badge making  
Barwells Solicitors, promotion  
Hailsham Air Cadets, Strawberries, prosecco and cakes  
Demelza, tombola  
Environment Hailsham, plant sales  
Tesco, fruit/healthy eating

One of the street traders is investing in ice cream so they will be able to provide ice cream for both events.

A letter has been hand delivered to all the Town Centre shops asking if they wish to get involved in the promotions on the day. Wealden District Council have contributed £600 to the advertising budget for this event and the Town Council are allocating £1400 for advertising.

Members discussed who to invite to open the event and all agreed to ask the winner of the Hailsham Hero award, Mr Malcolm Richards, to officially open the event.

### **July 29<sup>th</sup> event**

J. Cullen advised that he will speak to Hailsham Community College to see if any students are available to sing at the event.

G. Blake Coggins stated that Harveys of Lewes are producing a special beer for the day and he asked whether they could borrow a glass fronted fridge to contain the beer. Councillor A. O'Rawe said she would ask whether they could borrow one from Chapter 12 wine bar.

D. Sinden will confirm the times of the open church in the next few days.

### **Lions Fun Day**

G. Constable reported that the organisation of the event is progressing well

### 146 **Christmas 2017**

Two traders have currently paid the deposit to trade at the Christmas market. G. Constable confirmed the Lions will be in attendance with their candy floss stall.

### 147 **Christmas Light Switch on 2017**

There has been no confirmation as of yet as to whether any of the Town Centre shops wish to be involved in a late night shopping event at the switch on.

### 148 **Bonfire Society**

R. Piggott advised that the Bonfire Society will be in attendance at the Lions event in July and they will be bringing a steam engine to the event.

### 149 **Hailsham Festival**

Councillor A. O'Rawe reported that the Festival Committee are looking for volunteers to help organise the festival.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.00 pm.

**The next meeting will be held at 6.00 pm on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017.**

