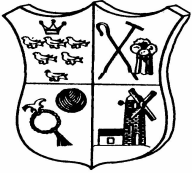


HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE



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 5th February 2018 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

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Committee members present

Councillors: G. Blake Coggins, Mrs A. Clarke Mrs S. Cottingham, R. Grocock, Ms A. O'Rawe (Chairman), C. Triandafyllou (Vice Chairman)

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Other members present

Ms G. Constable (Hailsham Lions), B. Funnell (Hailsham Rotary) R. Piggott (Bonfire Society), B. Pratt (Farmers' Market), J. Seale. D. Sinden (Hailsham Parish Church)

Officer in attendance: M. Caira, K. Giddings

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Apologies For Absence:

Committee Members

Councillors T. Burns, A. Willis

Other members

None were received

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Declarations of Interest

None were received

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Confirmation of Minutes

To resolve that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Communities Committee held on Monday 8th January 2018 (Ref 17/6/79-92), as printed and circulated, may be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman

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To receive an update about progress of resolutions from the last meeting of the Communities Committee on 8th January 2018

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

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Hailsham Forward

M. Cairra advised that the application to become a Community Interest Company had been sent to Companies House.

He advised there had been a very positive meeting with the Farmers' Market to discuss ways to improve trading on Saturdays.

The Chairman thanked everyone involved in participating in these meetings.

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30th June 2018 Market

The event will run from 9.00 am to 3.30 pm.

It was agreed that face painting would be booked for the event.

K. Giddings advised two bands had been booked for the event – the Memphis Flyers and Sussex Stompers (formerly Jazz Caveners).

M. Cairra stated that letters would be sent to all traders next month inviting them to take part in the Celebrate Hailsham Day.

The Chairman suggested organising a meeting with some of the High Street traders to discuss the event.

D. Sinden advised she would have further information at the next meeting regarding the open church at Hailsham Parish Church, for both summer events. She reported that there are a week of events at the Church for the week of 17th – 25th March and she will email K.Giddings/M. Cairra the details of these events.

G. Constable advised that the Lions will be at the event selling candy floss

Bunting will be put up in the High street before the event and will remain up until the end of the Hailsham Festival week

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28th July 2018 Market

It was agreed that face painting would be booked for the event.

G. Blake Coggins stated he may be able to book at noodle stall for the event.

K. Giddings advised that two bands had been booked for the event – the Peter Willson quartet and El Banda Burros.

G. Constable advised that the Lions will not be able to be present at the event.

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Christmas lights

Members discussed a complaint regarding the Christmas lights. A member of the public had complained that the white lights across the highway no longer stand out against the new street lights in the High Street, as the street lights are now brighter. It has been suggested that the lights across the High Street should be coloured lights.

Members agreed that the current lights still have a number of years of life in them and it was only in the last few years that it had been agreed to have white lights across the High Street with coloured lights on the trees. Members agreed to review the lights in the High Street only when the current lights are in need of replacement.

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Christmas Market 2018

K. Giddings advised that El Banda Burros had been booked for the market. It was agreed to book carol singing again with Hailsham Choral and the Peter Willson choir, if they are available.

Members discussed organising a chestnut stall for the event and B. Funnell advised he will contact Hailsham Rotary to see if they can arrange a chestnut stall for the day.

Hailsham Lions will be present at the event, selling candy floss.

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Market Stalls

M. Cairn advised that the current gazebos used for the events are light weight stalls which cannot be used in winds that are moderate or above. If there are moderate winds or higher on the day of an event the gazebos would not be able to be used and the event likely to be cancelled. He suggested the Committee consider purchasing a number of heavy duty stalls for the main events to guarantee the future of the events. He stated that there is approximately £14,500 left in the budget.

M. Cairn advised that the heavy duty gazebos are £400.00 each but may be cheaper if bought in bulk.

Members agreed to request the purchasing of 15 gazebos

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RESOLVED to recommend to Council the purchasing of 15 gazebos, at a total of £6,000. The funds of £6,000 to be taken from the Communities budget

NB - the actual price for 15 gazebos is £4,600 and the price for 20 would be £6,133

J. Seale, G. Constable and B. Funnell all left the meeting at 6.30 pm

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Lions Fun Day

G. Constable advised that the fun day this year will be held on Sunday 22nd July 2018

The Lions are also organising an event to coincide with the Royal Wedding, on Saturday 19th May.

J. Seale, G. Constable and B. Funnell all left the meeting at 6.30

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Bonfire Society

R. Piggott advised that the Society has a new secretary and a new treasurer. They are currently looking for sponsors for various items such as hessian and wood.

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Hailsham Festival

There was no further update.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.40 pm.

The next meeting will be held at 6.00 pm on Monday 5th March 2018

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