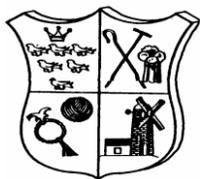


HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE



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 2nd July 2018 at 6.00 pm.

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Election of Chairman

Councillor G. Blake Coggins nominated Councillor A. Clarke as Chairman, seconded by Councillor A’Orawe

Members voted unanimously for Councillor A. Clarke to be elected as Chairman

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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

Councillor A. O’Rawe congratulated Councillor A. Clarke on becoming Chairman and stated she felt Councillor Clarke would be very successful in her role. Councillor O’Rawe advised that providing she could find a Councillor to fill her place on the Committee, she was intending to leave the Communities Committee. She advised that she had thoroughly enjoyed working on the Committee but now needed to free some time due to an increase in her current work load.

Councillor A. O’Rawe left the meeting at 6.05 pm

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Committee members present

Councillors: T. Burns, G. Blake Coggins, Mrs A. Clarke (Chairman), Mrs S. Cottingham, R. Grocock, Ms A. O’Rawe, C. Triandafyllou (Vice Chairman),

Other members present

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

Officer in attendance: M. Caira, K. Giddings

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Apologies For Absence:

Committee Members

Councillors A. Willis

Other members

Mrs D. Sinden (Hailsham Parish Church),

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Declarations of Interest

None were received

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Confirmation of Minutes

R. Piggott advised that the Bonfire Society had not yet confirmed they would wear their costumes at the Christmas market on 15th December, she advised she needed to check with the Bonfire Society on this matter and will report back.

To resolve that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Communities Committee held on Monday 4th June 2018 (Ref 18/1/1-20), as printed and circulated, may be amended, taken as read, and 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 4th June 2018 2018

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

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Hailsham Street Market

K. Giddings advised that the Street Market Working Group had recently met with the Street Market traders. A number of issues had been discussed, such as the price of a stall, advertising, and ideas to have events held on specific days, such as St Georges Day and Sussex Day.

Members were advised that the Council will not be revising the pitch fees at the current time but a discount could be given to multiple units booked.

The Working Group had also considered placing adverts with Hailsham FM and the What's On magazine.

Hailsham FM had agreed a figure of £600 for 6 months advertising on the radio station. It was suggested the Town Council could sponsor the weather reports and therefore the advert would be played 12 times a day. For a further cost of £90.00 professional voice actors could be employed to create the advert.

J. Seale arrived at 6.10 pm

The Committee were advised that the cost for an advert in the What's On magazine was currently being looked into.

M. Cairra reported that there are incentives given to traders – new traders are given their first two pitches for free and when a current trader introduces a new trader to the market they also receive a free pitch.

Members were asked whether they would consider a request to Full Council for a figure of £4,500, to put towards the Street Markets. The breakdown of the £4,500 is as follows:

£1,000 contingency fund for any pitch loss adjustment

£1,500 for entertainment booked at a further 4 of the street markets (separate to the summer and Christmas events)

£2,000 for advertising

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RESOLVED to recommend to Council to allocate £4,500 from the revitalisation budget to invest in the Hailsham Street Market

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Hailsham Forward

M. Cairra stated that he will be attending the next Chamber of Commerce meeting to see whether they want to change their remit and boundaries to include the industrial parks in the future.

With the possibility of East Sussex Council removing the local music service, Hailsham Forward are looking at whether they can help with this service in the future.

30 **Lamp Columns – advertising banners**

The Committee agreed to investigate the costs of placing advertisements on lamp columns in the Town, similar to the advertising banners used in Eastbourne.

Members noted that permission would be needed from East Sussex County Council to place such banners on lamp posts

31 **30th June 2018 Market**

The Committee agreed that the event was a success and the new gazebos were a good addition to the event.

Both the Lions and the Bonfire Society reported they did not have a successful day.

J. Seale reported a successful day, with some new members joining the Community Forum. She stated that her group had undertaken a survey at the event and she would bring the results to the next meeting.

Members discussed reviewing the date of the June market in 2019, possibly changing it to 15th June, which is “Sussex Day”.

K. Giddings advised she would produce a costed plan for the August meeting and the dates of next year’s market could be considered at this time.

32 **28th July 2018 Market**

It was confirmed that tables and chairs would be set out for the market. Members were informed that an Indian stall selling food was now also booked for the event.

33 **Christmas Market 2018 and Christmas Light Switch on events**

K. Giddings was asked to contact Matt Lush to see if his hog roast van is available for booking at the Christmas market.

G. Blake Coggins stated he would investigate the possibility of a mulled wine stall at the Christmas market. If this was not possible, members suggested Chapter 12 be approached for such a stall.

R. Piggott advised that the Bonfire Society will be at the Christmas market but will not be collecting.

B. Funnell confirmed the Rotary will attend both the Christmas market and the Christmas light switch on event with their Santa and Sleigh.

The Committee discussed the sweets organised by the Council to be handed out by Santa at the Christmas Market and asked M. Caira to contact the sweet trader to see if he can offer vegetarian sweets.

34 **World War I Commemoration**

K. Giddings reported that the British Legion have been given permission to place a Silent Soldier on the War Memorial. The British Legion have also requested to place a further Silent Soldier on Ersham Road Triangle. The Town Council have refused this request as they consider that there are better locations available in the Town to place the Soldier, as it will not be very noticeable on the Triangle.

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Community Forum

J. Seale stated that the Forum is working closely with 3VA and that 3VA are providing opportunities for free training. A directory is being created to list all the clubs and groups in the Town.

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Bonfire Society

R. Piggott reported that all the torches had been made.

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Lions Fun Day

G. Constable stated that the Lions are still receiving requests for stalls and the organisation of the event is going very well.

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Hailsham Festival

M. Caira confirmed that the programme for the event is due out this month. There will be a food element to this year's Festival.

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Hailsham Farmers' Market

B. Pratt advised they are currently trying to find ways to encourage more people to come to the Farmers' Markets.

The Committee agreed to place this item on future Communities agendas for an update on the Farmers' Market.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.12 pm.

The next meeting will be held at 6.00 pm on WEDNESDAY 29th August 2018

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