

LEISURE AND TOURISM SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 28 November 2022 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Pierremont Hall

Present: Cllrs Bailey (Chairman), R.K. Binks, Garner, Rawf, D. Saunders, M. Saunders,

P Moore & W Moore.

Officer: Kirsty Holroyd, Town Clerk

10. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None – all present

11. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs D and M Saunders and Cllr R Bailey declared an Other Significant Interest in the visitor information kiosk item at no. 5.v) and 6.k) as board members and volunteer for the organisation respectively.

12. MINUTES

Members received the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 22 August 2022

RESOLVED: That the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting by the chairman.

13. MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

The Chairman wished to record thanks to the members of staff responsible for the 5 November Fireworks display which was well attended despite the weather and very well received.

14. TOPICS FOR UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

i) Christmas Lights

The Town Clerk reported that despite best efforts, the Town Council has not managed to secure additional lights for St Peter's. Councillors agreed to take some photos of the lights during the festive period, thereby identifying areas which could accommodate more next year.

ii) Dickens House Museum

Members received a briefing document detailing the business activity of summer 2022 and identifying a way forward for 2023. Additional costs have been calculated to cover a Visitor Manager for the museum. It is understood that the Town Council may be asked to match fund the

costs of the post once again but a firm proposal has yet to be received. **RESOLVED:** that Cllr Bailey and the Town Clerk will set up a meeting with the Tourism Manager at TDC to ascertain exact costs.

iii) Beacon

Members discussed whether they would like to maintain the current beacon – once repaired – in the current location for use at forthcoming important events.

RESOLVED: that the basket be repaired and returned to the current location for use with a gas burner.

iv) Coronation Saturday 6 May 2023

Members discussed how they might like to celebrate the event with the town. Several ways of marking the occasion were discussed.

RECOMMENDATION: That a working group be formed of key organisations around the town in order to organise a joined up event or series of events which compliment each other.

v) Visitor Information Kiosk

Cllr Saunders gave a brief update on the future of the organisation which would be unable to operate from its current location from June next year. Two new locations were under consideration by the estates and planning departments at TDC and once decided firm costs can be sought.

RESOLVED: That whilst the Town Council supports the work of the group in principle, serious consideration of financial support cannot be given until exact costs are known and match funding confirmed.

15. GRANTS 2023-2024

i) Members received and considered the grant applications received.

RECOMMENDATION:

a) That the following grants be awarded

Broadstairs Cricket Club	£500
Broadstairs Society	£500
Crampton Tower	£1500
Thanet GAP	£2000
Thanet Wanderers	£500

b) that POW! Thanet has not sufficiently met the criteria to be allocated a grant.

Members considered the applications for requests which exceeded the subcommittee's delegated powers.

RECOMMENDATION: That the following grants be considered by the Fiancne and General Purposes Committee: -

Broadstairs Bowls Club	£6000	
Broadstairs Food Festival (Easter event)	£2000	
Broadstairs Food Festival (October event)	£4000	
Broadstairs Summer Fireworks (on condition that outstanding		
paperwork is supplied)	£8500	
Dickens Festival	£3500	
Folk Week	£7500	
St Peter's Memorial Hall	£3000	
Sarah Thorne Theatre	£3000	
Sea Scouts	£2900 (£7600 carried	
forward from 2021-22 due to problems with lease arrangements		
Town Team Gardening project	£5000	
Visitor Information Group (on condition that predicted match		
funding is forthcoming)	£4000	
Water Gala (on condition that outstanding paperwork is supplied)		
	£3000	

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 20 March 2023 at 7pm in Pierremont Hall

Meeting closed at 20.17

Signed	Date