

FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MINUTES

WEDNESDAY 29th July 2020

Present: Cllrs, Bailey, B Bayford, J Bayford, R Binks, R. K. Binks, Buckley, Garner, Rawf, D Saunders, M Saunders

Town Clerk: Danielle Dunn Deputy Town Clerk: Christine Chappell Events and bookings Manager: Leanne Hadden

76 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr P Moore, Cllr W Moore, Cllr Parsons and Cllr J Savage. Cllr Dexter was not in attendance.

- 77 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None to receive
- **78 MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** RESOLVED to RECEIVE AND APROVE the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th June 2020. Proposed Cllr D Saunders, seconded Cllr Jill Bayford, agreed.
- 79 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEES and WORKING PARTIES None to receive
- 80 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None

81 CORRESPONDENCE and CONSULTATION RESPONSES

The Town Clerk provided the following updates for the committee: -Chamber of Commerce have confirmed that they do not wish to go ahead with the Christmas Fair/Turning on of the Christmas Lights show this year.

-TDC Councillor Whitehead is trying to find a solution to the need to man the lift in order to enable disabled access to the beach. DISCUSSED that the Town Council would not fund a security guard to man the top and bottom of the list due to budget constraints.

-An email had been received from TDC, sent the day prior to the meeting, asking if the hours covered by the beach security could be extended to 8pm. AGREED that this would be discussed during agenda item 85.

82 FINANCIAL MATTERS AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

RESOLVED to RECEIVE the periodic financial report for the period 24^{th} June – 28^{th} July 2020.

RESOLVE to RECEIVE the budget comparison for the period 1^{st} April 2020 to 28^{th} July 2020.

83 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2020 to 2021*

RESOLVED to RECOMMEND to Council that the calendar of meetings for the remainder of the Civic Year 2020 to 2021 is adopted.

84 NOVEMBER 5th FIREWORK EVENT

RESOLVED that due to the ongoing situation with the Covid-19 pandemic and the difficulties of managing and maintaining social distancing at this event, the 5th November fireworks event be cancelled for 2020. Proposed Cllr R Binks, seconded Cllr M Saunders, agreed.

85 BANDSTAND ENTERTAINMENT UPDATE

DISCUSSED the situation with having live music on the bandstand and a request from the Kent Police that security guards needed to be in attendance if live music events were to go ahead at weekends.

RESOLVED to provide two security guards for the duration of weekend live music events at the bandstand, with this situation to be reviewed at the end of August. Proposed Cllr R Bailey, seconded Cllr M Saunders, agreed.

ACTION that the band booking contract needs to be reviewed and updated in light of the Covid-19 pandemic. The cancellation fee section specifically needs to be updated.

DISCUSSED the request for extended security guard operating hours on the beaches to 8pm. It is currently 11-5pm weekdays and 12-6pm at weekends.

RESOLVED that the number of hours of beach security provision to be kept the same as is currently provided and the Town Clerk to discuss with the security firm what their thoughts are on the ideal hours of beach patrols. Town Clerk to report back to the Committee, proposed Cllr B Bayford, seconded Cllr D Saunders, agreed.

86 CHRISTMAS FAYRE AT THE BANDSTAND

DISCUSSED a request from Market Square Group, Peterborough to hold a commercial Christmas fayre on Victoria Gardens, owned by TDC, and the bandstand area, which is managed by Broadstairs & St. Peter's Town Council, between the 10th and 13th December 2020. It was noted that the Town Council would not be able to make a decision regarding Victoria Gardens as this was not within their ownership and remit.

RESOLVED that the Bandstand is not hired out for the Christmas Fayre event, 10-13th December. Proposed Cllr B Bayford, seconded Cllr M Saunders, agreed. Cllr R Bailey abstained from the vote.

87 PIERREMONT EVENTS UPDATE

RESOLVED to RECEIVE the written report from the Events and Bookings Manager regarding events and bookings at Pierremont Hall.

AGREED that an outside theatre event, held in conjunction with the Sarah Thorne Theatre Company, could go ahead at Pierremont Hall, if all of the rules regarding social distancing could be adhered to. DISCUSSED that the potential of holding four shows in one day could be explored.

AGREED that due to the cancellation of the Christmas light turn on event, that a meet father Christmas event could be held at Pierremont Hall. This would also be in conjunction with the Sarah Thorne Theatre and in accordance with social distancing rules.

88 PROPOSED FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 2nd September, at 6pm.

Town Clerk Meeting closed at 18:49p.m.

Meeting was recorded: yes/no Members of the public were present: yes/no Members of the press were present: yes/no