



BROADSTAIRS & ST. PETER'S
TOWN COUNCIL

LEISURE AND TOURISM SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 21 August 2023 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Pierremont Hall

Present: Cllrs K Bright, M Garner J Hobson, C Leys, G Rusiecki (from 19.03)

In attendance: Cllr J Bright

Officer: Kirsty Holroyd, Town Clerk

29. ELECTION OF CHAIMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE 2023-24 CIVIC YEAR

RESOLVED:

- i) That Cllr Garner be appointed chairman of the committee**
- ii) That Cllr Hobson be appointed vice chairman of the committee**

30. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies with reason were given by Cllrs Kemp, Roberts and Nicholls and accepted by resolution of the committee.

7.03pm Cllr Rusiecki entered the meeting

31. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

none

32. TERMS OF REFERENCE

i) Members received the document which had been slightly amended to reflect the fact this is non longer a sub-committee but a committee.

RECOMMENDATION: That the document is fit for purpose and can be adopted by Council.

ii) Members considered changing the name of the committee to include "Events"

RESOLVED: That this be considered at the end of the meeting.

33. MINUTES

Members received the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 21 March 2023.

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

34. MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

The Town Clerk advised members that the lease with TDC for the bandstand and kiosk was outdated and needs attention although it functions well enough at present.

35. 5th NOVEMBER FIREWORKS.

i) Members noted that the organisation of the event was well underway and was being led by the Finance Officer.

ii) Members received an email proposal from Broadstairs Fireworks offering either to take the 5 November event back in house and to run a fun fair on Victoria Gardens at the same time, or simply to run a fun fair alongside the Town Council's event. Such an arrangement provides an opportunity to raise money to fund the summer fireworks events.

RESOLVED:

i) That the proposal is not accepted this year since Councillors prefer to offer a completely free to attend event. There are also concerns over fairground music competing with the live music on the bandstand.

ii) Alternative arrangements may be considered in the future, once the Council's own events team is fully established.

36. CHRISTMAS LIGHT PROCUREMENT

Members received and compared the two tendered quotes.

RECOMMENDATION: that tender 2 be accepted with the option of all 25 identified lampposts in St Peter's decorated with the illuminations priced at £200 each. Total cost £15,950 per year for three years.

37. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON EVENT

Members received a written report from the Events and Bookings Manager detailing the arrangements. Organisation is well underway for the event on Saturday 25 November.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note.

38. SUMMER THEATRE

Members received a report from the Events and Bookings Manager. A total of six free to attend shows will take place over the summer. They have been well attended, the bar has been open and takings have covered staff costs.

RESOLVED: That members would like to see some photos and a report quantifying the success of the project at the next meeting.

39. PUNCH AND JUDY

Members received an update. A Punch and Judy performer was secured at late notice, and the necessary permission obtained from TDC. He will perform three shows on eight separate dates across the summer and has been well received by visitors and residents.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note.

40. BANDSTAND EVENTS

Members received an update and were pleased to note performances had taken place every Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holiday as well as several Tuesdays between 7 April and 3 September.

RESOLVED: That the events team include some photos on social media

to ensure the Town Council is acknowledged as the organiser.

41. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Members were assured that all arrangements were well underway and that the Civic and Support Officer would liaise with the Town Mayor over finer details.

RESOLVED: Agreed to note.

42. FUTURE EVENTS

Members considered any other events they would like to stage. Cllr Bright (attending) updated members on the development of the youth events team. Publicity has been prepared in readiness for the return to school, and a launch event organised at Retort House for 28 September. It is hoped that the working group will be formed and the first event organised in time for Christmas/new year.

Various other events were discussed and can be developed further once the proposal to develop the events staff has been considered at the next Council meeting.

RESOLVED: Agreed to note.

43. Members revisited item 4ii) and considered changing the name of the committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

i) That the name be changed to Events, Leisure and Tourism Committee.

ii) That the committee ought to meet quarterly

iii) That Cllr Joanne Bright be appointed to this committee.

44. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 13 November 2023

Meeting closed at 20.08

Signed _____

Date _____