



Broadstairs & St Peter's Town Council

Events, Leisure & Tourism Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 11th August 2025 at 7pm in the Mayors Parlour, Pierremont Hall

Present: Cllrs M. Garner (Chairman), G Rusiecki (Vice Chair) C Leys, S Roberts, J Nicholls, A Munns.

Officers: Ms. A Barton – Civic & Support Officer (C & S Officer)

Ms. M Tillett – Events Supervisor

163. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME/OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY

Cllr Garner reminded those present of the following: The right to record, film or broadcast any meetings of the Council, committees and subcommittees is established following the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

164. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies with reason from Cllrs Colin Kemp, Joanne Bright, were received and accepted by resolution of the committee.

165. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were received.

166. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 16th June 2025 can be approved and duly signed as a true record by the Chairman.

167. MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

None were received.

168. QUESTIONS AND/OR OBSERVATIONS FROM THE ELECTORATE OF BROADSTAIRS AND ST PETER'S

None were received.

169. COMMERCIAL EVENTS UPDATE

Members received and considered a report supplied by the Events Supervisor.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note the following:

i) STAFFING

We currently have four event staff on the books and if required we work with the agency J & J Recruitment.

J & J Recruitment charge rate is £18.05

The Event Supervisor has scheduled through the year when we will need staffing.

ii) REGULAR BOOKERS

We have three new regular bookers, a yoga group who booked every Thursday and Sunday, another holistic group who are starting out once a month however aim to become more regular as their workshop grows, their first booking is August 21st and a group who have booked into to do a meeting every Monday night.

Mondays CH - Yoga is (Weekly)

Tuesdays MR – Pilates (Weekly)

Wednesdays MR – Yoga (Weekly)

Thursdays & Sundays MR (Weekly)

Fridays MR – Hartbeeps (Term times)

iii) COMMERCIAL EVENTS

Wine Tasting – 19th July 2025 – The wine tasting was very well received, all that attended was pleased with the service and the venue. 14 people attended, we made a £30 profit and hope to do it again at Christmas time aimed towards corporate staff parties.

The Christmas Wine Tasting will be priced a little higher.

Review “I thoroughly enjoyed the wine tasting event. I hadn't heard of Silver hand before. They were very friendly, putting everyone at ease. Each wine was explained before tasting. The way it was treated as it was organic as opposed to having additives. The amount of wine was generous and it was a very relaxed atmosphere. The session was informative and enjoyable whilst being reasonably priced. I would certainly go along to something like this again.

The venue was a very nice, intimate room. Nicely redecorated in a neutral colour, plus the advantage of full length windows and doors which opened out.”

iv) TEENAGE MARKET WORKSHOP

August 28th 2025 – TDC have booked a 2-hour slot to hold their teenage market workshop, this is designed to inform the stall holders on the market taking place the following month. Due to the partnership, we will be providing the teas and coffees.

v) OPEN DAY

28th September 2025 – We are in the works of putting on an Autumn Open Day for 2026/2027 Brides and Grooms.

This day will be an open event running from 11am-3pm with all three venues set up.

- Music Room – Ceremony Style
- Camber Hall – Ceremony/Reception
- Mayors Parlour – Bridal Suite

This is to hopefully boost bookings for the following years, the event supervisor will be overseeing this day and available to talk to any couples.

vi) **BOOKINGS**

We currently have 24 weddings booked in with a target of 28 and 42 events total for commercial bookings.

We have had 1 event reschedule for 2027 and 7 events cancel due to cost of living and ill health.

vii) **UNDER 18S
Battle of the bands-**

We are aiming to do a youth summer with multiple Under 18 events throughout the month of August, the events will be run by DBS checked staff.

Battle of the Bands – 4th August- This year we hosted the first ever battle of the bands at the Bandstand, in association with Sunshine Records. The event was very well attended. 2 bands performed, Black house Hill were the winners of the £150 cash prize. Both bands will perform at the annual Christmas Market.

viii) **First aid classes-**

Unfortunately the free first aid and free youth defibrator training workshops were cancelled due to lack bookings.

ix) **Knife crime awareness workshop-**

knife Crime awareness workshop was cancelled by the charity due to their host leaving and no replacement in the area.

x) **Teenage Market – 20th September –** We have partnered with TDC to put together a Teenage Market with three happening over Thanet in 2025

This will be taking place at Pierremont Hall following in similar outdoor layout to Christmas Market.

All stalls will be free of charge to the youth and all under 16s will be chaperoned by a guardian.

TDC will be handling stall costs, insurances for selling of goods and stall holders.

The Event Supervisor will be handling the risk assessment for the day, first aider costs (from under 18s budget, Est £300), venue costs.

Indoor Bar will be open during the event for extra profit.

xi) **October – Halloween Kids Party and 13 – 17s –** After the success of last

year we would like to put the Halloween Party again for the two different groups. The event doesn't follow the Town Halloween trail this year. #

4pm-6pm – Boo Bash – DJ, Disco, Games, Prizes

7pm- 9pm- Halloween Party – DJ, Disco, Photo booth and a new mocktail.

xii) **Bauble Decorating – 29th November 2025 –** to work alongside the Christmas Market inside the hall we plan to have the seated tables out full of bauble crafts from Baker Ross for Under 18s to come and decorate their own Bauble. This will be from some of the left over under 18s budgets and is a simple activity to put on for the public to be promoted alongside the

Christmas Market.

170. COMMUNITY UPDATES

Members received and considered a report from the Events Administrator.

i) Bandstand 12th April – 12th October

Well underway, with no reported issues. One band did need to finish early due to poor weather. A lot of enquiries for 2026.

ii) Punch & Judy 26th July – 29th August

Season has now started, with positive feedback from visitors.

Performer Ben, was slightly disheartened by the Kent Online news piece regarding their being domestic violence and the suitability for young people. Ben feels he was massively misquoted as he clearly stated that there is no domestic violence in his show.

iii) Summer Theatre 30th July – 29th August

YP Programme Date

Aquanauts 30/07/2025- Attendance: 66 Audience members

Caspian the Crab 06/08/2025 Attendance: 179 Audience members

Still to come:

Wellbeing Wells 17/08/2025

Arcade Mini 20/08/2025

Shed Ache 27/08/2025

Evening Programme Date

Three Men in a Boat 01/08/2025- Attendance: 39 Audience members

Wasp in a cardigan 08/08/2025- Attendance: 29 Audience members

Still to come:

Lily Ramona 17/08/2025

Jekyll and Hyde 22/08/2025

The Laurel & Hardy Cabaret 29/08/2025

iv) Heritage Open days 12th-21st September

Pierremont Hall and the Bandstand will be participating in this year's heritage open days. BSPTC are also supporting other venues sign up. Local historians have supplied lots of information for a leaflet to be made for Pierremont Hall/Bandstand.

v) Firework Night 5th November

7pm Firework start

Meiser 5:30pm

The SuperMicks 6pm

Fireworks 7pm

The SuperMicks 7:15pm - 8pm.

A schedule meeting with TDC to discuss road closures on the 2nd July did not go ahead, and contact has been minimal. Last year's plans have been sent and an enquiry made as to how TDC officers advise we can improve.

vi) Christmas Market 29th November

Stalls can now be booked – 39 available. There have been 32 enquiries, and 15 booked and paid for.

171. CIVIC EVENTS

i) Remembrance Sunday Service

Members received an update for the remembrance service that this due to take place on 9th November 2025. The Event permit has now been received. Officers are now waiting on road closure and parking suspension confirmations.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note

ii) Civic Service

Members also received an update from Cllr Mike Garner that arrangements are being made for his Mayoral Civic Service on 7th September 2025.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note.

172. GRANTS

Cllrs Robberts and Bright met with grant applicants from St. Peter's Memorial Hall to request further information in regard to their application submitted to the committee at the last meeting. Cllrs were pleased to note that the hall gets lots of use and is seemingly well managed.

Cllr Roberts advised that a building survey and 2 quotes of work are needed before a new application is submitted.

The Town Clerk had noted that the applicant had reassessed and would like to apply for a new grant application at a lower request. This has not yet been received.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note.

173. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 10th November 2025

Meeting closed at 19:22pm.

Signed _____

Date _____

