

HOLYWELL TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **Town Centre and Events Committee** held in the Council Chamber, Bank Place Offices, Holywell, on Wednesday 8th May 2024 at 10.00am.

PRESENT: Councillor E.B. Palmer (Chair).

Councillors: L. Corbett, and D. Thomas.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: were received from Councillors L.A. Carter, P. Corbett, and I. Hodge. Councillor S. Rush was absent without apology.

IN ATTENDANCE: M.G. Fearnley (Deputy Clerk), and C. Pickstock (Support Officer).

TC44. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None received.

TC45. **2024 EVENTS PROGRAMME**

D-Day at 80 Thursday 6th June.

The Staffing team provided an update to members on the current activity planned. This included attendance by local schools and Care Home residents with a performance by the D-Day Dolls with the idea of having a chippy style lunch. There would also be the lighting of the Greenfield Beacon at 9.15pm.

RESOLVED:

- 1) Danny the Deli, Bernadette O Mally and Maggie's Kitchen to be approached to support the Chippy lunch.
- 2) It was agreed that the Upcoming Mayor be asked to read the tribute with Chris Baglin or Helen from Tower Crafts approached to read the tribute in Welsh.
- 3) Mark Davies from the Holywell Band to be approached to do the last post at the lighting of the Beacon.

Party in the Park Saturday 27th July.

The Deputy Clerk gave an update on proposed activities to date and invited additional ideas from those present. Several additional ideas were suggested that included Street dance workshops, Kids Karaoke, Ice Cream Van, DJ, Skateboard and Skatepark Demonstration and workshops, It's a Knockout, involve FCC Play team and Aura Leisure.

RESOLVED:

Town Centre Committee to do a walkabout around Fron Park to discuss opportunities with Holywell Leisure Centre and Town Council staffing team to follow up and action accordingly.

Well Inn Music Festival Saturday 14th September.

Deputy Clerk confirmed that the enhanced budget through the successful grant application had been approved which included headline acts, bus etc. Various ideas were discussed including bus pick-ups from local holiday parks, Headline act at beginning and end of Main Stage performances, More music related stalls i.e. hippy and Glitz stalls and more child related activity. Additional equipment requirements were also discussed.

RESOLVED:

- 1) Deputy Clerk to follow up on success of bus pick up's locally for the Food and Drink Festival.
- 2) Bernadette to be asked to see if she has relevant contacts for music festival type stalls including Food and Drink.
- 3) Old Time Sailors to be approached to check cost and availability.
- 4) Cllr E.B. Palmer to supply relevant links for equipment required.

FCC Christmas Market.

The Deputy Town Clerk provided members with a copy of the draft flyer which was reviewed by those present.

RESOLVED:

- 1) Belinda Bradley to be approached to explore a Nativity Play.

- 2) DJ Darin/Steve to be approached for their availability.
- 3) Suitable Santa/s to be sourced.

TC46. FRON PARK PROJECTS

The Deputy Clerk provided members with costings and specifications from 3 suppliers for the Trim Trail, Outdoor Gym and Skatepark enhancements and confirmed the total grant figure of £24,106 available for this equipment. There will also be an ongoing maintenance / service liability over and above the grant which needs to be built into the precept. Those present discussed the various options presented with 6 pieces of outdoor gym equipment selected to include 1 piece for disabled with the idea of putting them in a circle as opposed to a straight line.

RESOLVED:

Suppliers to be approached to provide a like for like quote where possible within the approved grant budget with Deputy Clerk to speak to Cadwyn Clwyd about any grant implications.

TC47. PLANTER POSITIONS AND TOWER GARDENS LAYOUT

The Deputy Clerk provided an update after recent town walkabout. Members considered the relocation of 3 planters around the town and the repositioning of benches in Tower Gardens.

RESOLVED:

Members approved the relocation of planters and the repositioning of benches with Streetscene to be approached to action accordingly.

TC48. TOWER GARDENS STEPS PROJECT

The Deputy Clerk provided members with information on quotations received to date. Those present considered the composition of the steps.

RESOLVED:

Suppliers to be approached to provide visuals and sample of material to be used against the preferred design with Welsh translation to be incorporated.

TC49. MEMBERS AGENDA ITEMS

- Age and Dementia Event (Cllr I. Hodge).
- Pigeons in Town Centre (Cllr D. Thomas).
- Cigarette Ends (Cllr D. Thomas).

RESOLVED:

- 1) Age and Dementia item to be deferred with Cllr I. Hodge being unavailable.
- 2) Letter to be sent to all businesses encouraging them not to feed pigeons.
- 3) Letter to be sent to all pubs asking them to provide suitable ways of disposing cigarette butts encouraging their customers to appropriately dispose them.
- 4) Cllr E.B. Palmer to approach Streetscene re provision of additional bin outside the Vaults Public House.

TC50. OTHER MATTERS

- Flintshire County Council Charges for Road Closure at Events – Deputy Clerk provided members with cost update.
- Interim Refurbishment of Christmas Lights – Deputy Clerk provided members with a cost update from existing supplier BKB.
- Urban Nature Festival August 2024 – Deputy Clerk provided members with an outline of the proposed event to be led by Nature Recovery Project Officer.

RESOLVED:

- 1) Members endorsed charges for event road closures.
- 2) Refurbishment of Christmas Lights to be included in new contractor's tender.
- 3) Members agreed to support the event where applicable.

TC51. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair closed the meeting at 11.35am.

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