

BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of a COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING held via ZOOM
BETWEEN COMMITTEE MEMBERS & THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE
On MONDAY 15 JUNE 2020 - COMMENCING at 6.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor B Troop (Chairman)

Councillors A Chapman, J Evison, A Todd & P Vickers

Also Present: Councillor J Sanderson, Ms S Richards (Town Clerk) & Mrs C Clark (Deputy Town Clerk)

25. **Apologies for Absence**

None

26. **Declarations of Interest**

None

27. **Minutes of Meeting held on the 2 March 2020**

It was noted that these minutes had been signed as a correct record, for action as necessary, at a meeting of the town council held on 4 March 2020.

28. **Matters Arising**

(a) **VE Day Celebrations** (Min Ref:- 282/125)

Due to the impact of Covid-19 the Christmas lights contractor was unable to put up bunting for VE Day Celebrations. It was agreed the bunting should be put up on cross street lighting brackets for VJ Day in August if the contractor can still do this when carrying out Christmas lighting work, to keep costs down.

(b) **Picnic in the Park** (Min Ref:- 283/126)

Due to the impact of Covid-19 this event was cancelled for 2020 (Min Ref:- 333(iii)/148 – F&GP 27/4/20) North Lincolnshire Council ESAG and Baysgarth Park hire have been advised. Local groups such as Barton Athletics Club, Churches Together, RDF and Barton community band, who normally attend have also been advised.

29. **Christmas Festival and impact of Covid-19**

Members discussed the preparation of a Premises Licence and the formal paperwork required to be submitted to North Lincolnshire Council for the event. North Lincolnshire Council ESAG was contacted for guidance on timescale this year for submitting an application. Their reply was “The best advice we can give would be to just let us know as soon as possible if an event is taking place, even if it’s later than the usual 6 months timescale.” Taking this advice into account and the current status organising the event, it was agreed to delaying a decision if the event should go ahead until 2 September 2020 council meeting, taking into account social distancing measure at that point. Following the 2 March 2020 Community Committee Meeting the current status for items agreed are as follows:

1. **The Christmas lights contract** is secured up to 2022. Additional lights agreed have been confirmed and paid with the contractor for gaps on George Street, King Street, High Street and motifs in Market Place. Properties have been contacted for permission to install brackets now the contractor has returned to work.
2. **Team of reindeer** – It was agreed to hire a new contractor with a team of 2 reindeer and sleigh for a static display on George Street. They have not yet been contacted due to covid-19.
3. **Stage Tribute Act** – It was agreed to hire an Ed Sheeran tribute act on stage, they have not yet been contacted due to covid-19.
4. **Performance Stage** contract is secured up to 2020 for a stage (16’ x 16’) with pa system, lighting, generator, stage heaters.

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5. **Nativity Walk** – Barton Churches Together have previously agreed to be involved again this year with a Nativity Walk, if the event goes ahead.
6. A cheque has been drawn to apply to North Lincolnshire Council for the premises licence from 9.00am – 9.00pm, but not yet submitted until further guidance received.
7. An application will be submitted later in the year, as has happened in previous years, to North Lincolnshire Council complying with their Code of Practice for permission to install seasonal decorations on Market Place, George Street, King Street, High Street, part of Queen Street & Fleetgate.
8. The Christmas lights power supply boxes will be tested by our lighting contractor when they install new brackets, to reduce costs for lifting equipment.
9. St-Art previously asked to organise the Lantern Parade from The Ropewalk, after agreement at the 9 December 2019 Community Committee meeting.
10. No further items agreed at the last meeting have yet been progressed.

Resolved that:-

- (i) No items to be progressed for the Christmas Festival which require expenditure until latest government guidance at 2 September 2020 Council Meeting is known;
- (ii) North Lincolnshire Council ESAG and Licensing to be contacted for confirmation submitting paperwork at beginning of September 2020 is acceptable for the Christmas Festival on 28 November 2020;
- (iii) St-Art to be contacted advising a definite decision for holding the Lantern Parade cannot be made until after 2 September 2020 Council Meeting. If that does not give them sufficient time to organise the Parade, this part of the Christmas Festival will have to be cancelled for 2020;
- (iv) The council to be updated at 1 July 2020 council meeting on any responses to the above items.

The Chairman, Councillor B Troop closed the meeting at 6.33p.m.

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1 July 2020