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Minutes of the Events Committee 9th October 2023

1. To note Councillors and Staff present

Alan Burgis (AB), Jim Thomson (JT), Maggie Ginger (MG), Steve Bond (SB), Esther Greig (EG), Neil Pearce (NP), Jordan Burnard (JB)

E/23/067

2. To receive Apologies for absence with reasons

B Hockerday, R Rotchell – holiday

E/23/068

3. To receive Declarations of Interest & Approve Dispensations

None.

E/23/069

4. Public Question Time (15 minutes allowed for this)

None.

E/23/070

5. To receive and approve the Minutes of: 5th July 2023

It was resolved to approve the Events minutes 5th July 2023.

Proposed: Maggie Ginger Seconded: Jim Thomson

E/23/071

6. Receive Deputy Clerk Report

- EG addressed rumours regarding covenants (Enfield Park): not being able to take money, etc. in the park. No covenants: we have the right to close the park for up to 12 days a year (not on public holidays), as we wish (for events, etc.). Having the GPC means having powers beyond statutory limitations.
- JB nothing to report beyond agenda items; noted that he is going to be having a meeting with Amanda Lash 23/10/23 to catch up on various things (late handover).

E/23/072

7. Agenda Items

a) Scarecrows/Halloween events update

- Judging Scarecrows: SB & MG have put themselves forward for judging on 27/10/23.
- **JB to chase vouchers from Vegas; did Bronwen receive?**
- Judging Pumpkin: SB suggested JB to judge and MG to help.
- **JB to email AB with posters regarding pumpkins & scarecrows (JPEG).**

E/23/073

b) The Winter festival Working Group Minutes from 25 September 2023, and subsequent completed actions were noted

- EG suggested carol sheets to be printed to help with carolling. **JB to investigate costs.**

M. Greig

16.2.24.

- JB talked through completed actions from previous meeting; nothing more requiring discussion.

E/23/074

- c) Discuss Camelford in Bloom timing – competition opened in Spring; winners announced during Fun Week?
- EG asked if we want to bring forward to May along with Fun Week; MG echoed this point and highlighted that late judging can affect entries. SB also suggested bringing forward to 'Spring Bloom' (May).
 - EG suggested judging and presenting same day. Suggestion to judge in a day, call winner at the end of the day and arrange another day for presentation.
 - End of June agreed regarding time for event to run.

E/23/075

- d) The following options for Music in the Park were discussed:
- Make Music in the Park a ticketed event (ticket to state no alcohol, bag searches, etc) as per recommendation from Police.
 - Keep Music in the Park as a non-ticketed event.
 - Make Music in the Park a ticketed event but at a new location (i.e. Football Pitch)
- EG noted Martin's Law and that we have a duty of care for 'party-goers'.
 - SB strongly believes it should be a free event for the Town, and has concerns that a paid event with no alcohol would be poorly supported. JT also against ticketed no-alcohol.
 - AB & JT against going to football field as you would lose some of the 'feel' of a Town/community event - Football pitch option (option iii) ruled out unanimously.
 - EG noted concerns re. drunken behaviour and impact on staff: SB suggested less risk involved this year as no tug of war resulting in a shorter day for those drinking.
 - MG queried if we could add a disclaimer re. entry: i.e. right to refuse entry.
 - NP & MG highlighted that at music festivals you are searched, etc. as EG highlighted again that safety needs to be made priority: security need to be able to check bags for glass, weapons, etc.
 - JT raised point of ticket prices (for printing of tickets). EG unsure of costs, but finger in air £150-£200 for printing of tickets. **JB to investigate costs.**
 - EG suggested that alcohol would need to be allowed for this event due to its nature (music festival); also suggested possible use of wristbands for those who wish to come and go (food vans outside of gates, etc.).
 - **It was resolved to recommend to Council that Music in the Park is a ticketed event, free of charge, alcohol allowed, but bag searches on entry through security (searches for glass, weapons, etc.).**
Proposed: Jim Thomson Seconded: Steve Bond

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- e) D-Day celebrations on the 6th June were discussed
- SB suggested old-time war band in the evening at the band stand. JB highlighted that this is also going to be made as National Fish & Chip day.
 - EG suggested classic 40's style music.
 - Group suggestion for event to run from 6-8pm.
 - EG suggested updating budget to £500 (down from £2000) to cover band cost – unanimously agreed.
 - **JB to investigate if any funding available for D-Day celebrations.**
 - **JB to speak to Peckish to suggest working partnership for the day.**
 - **MG to research bands**

E/23/077

- The events budget for 2024/2025 was discussed **JB to seek funding to help with events.**
- **Recommend to council to keep: Music in the Park, Fun Week (minus tug of war), Winter Festival, Band Stand Events, Camelford Show.**
- SB suggested costing for slip n slide – external company? **JB to investigate costs.**
- EG noted that Circus Skills usually paid for by Feast. **JB to speak with Feast to clarify if funding is available.**
- Copper leaf finished: group suggestion to keep something 'arty' in, especially if costs covered by Feast. **Finer details to be discussed next meeting.**
- SB highlighted that band stand events are popular and bring lots of different groups of people together.

M. Smith

16.2.24.

- MG suggested band stand events on Sunday to target ageing demographic: EG highlighted that no shops would be open and that the primary reason is to get people out/footfall in town, which is aided by shops being open. SB also suggested that bands would be harder to come-by on Sundays due to family commitments (gigs usually on Fridays & Saturdays for majority of bands).
- EG suggested potentially Saturday afternoon gigs at the band stand, or we could organise events at OCM in order to target a different demographic.
- MG suggested mixing up bands: SB highlighted that an array of bands already play on a Friday. SB also highlighted that many would perform for free: EG expressed concern that this would potentially 'take advantage', JT in support of EG concern.
- JT suggested proms event to trial: EG suggested Friday night or Saturday afternoon, could also look to get in Jazz, or other, to join 'classical' band for event.
- EG suggested larger budget required for band stand events: £1000. Agreed unanimously.
- **SB, NP and JB to consider potential bands for Band Stand Events 2024.**
- EG stated that CTC presence required at Camelford Show, and that a free bus service is also a necessity.
- Music licence needs adding to budget. **JB to action.**
- **SB to supply JB with contact details for Brownies.**
- NP suggested park cinema nights (big screen); EG suggested cinema evenings in the library or Camelford Hall. **To be discussed in next meeting.**

E/23/078

- f) Fun Week update on 2024 schedule v1:
 - i) Note that previous organisers of slip and slide will not be organising in 2024.
 - Already covered in previous items: all members made aware of current plans.
 - Duck race not possible for 4pm. SB suggested evening time or same time as dog show. EG suggested time move to 5.00pm to accommodate volunteers re. work time.

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8. Date and items for next meeting

- Date of next meeting: Monday 5th February 2024 @7.00pm.

E/23/080

Meeting closed 8.30pm.

M. Jones 16-2-24

