



Skipton Town Council

19/20-

Events and Tourism Committee Tuesday 10 December 2019 at 6.30 pm

Present: Cllrs A Barrett (Chair), G Bell, W Feather, P Madeley, K McIntyre (arrived at 6.45 pm) and A Solloway

In attendance: Cllrs R Heseltine, R Judge and S Bentley

Officers: Dave Parker (Chief Officer), Kerry Wheelwright (Events & Tourism Manager), Judy Probst (Tourism and Community Liaison Officer), Sam Poole (Finance Manager) and Wendy Allsopp (Administration Manager)

1. To accept representations from the Public between 6.30 pm and 6.45 pm.

None

2. To accept apologies for absence.

None

3. To record declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in items on the agenda.

None

4. To consider the recommendations of the Chief Officer relating to requests for dispensations to Members on items requiring a declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests.

None

5. To approve the minutes from the previous meeting held on 26 September 2019

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes from the Events and Tourism Committee meeting held on 26 September 2019 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

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6. To report and receive information arising from the minutes of items not on the agenda from Members and the Chief Officer.

Agenda Item 7 – the Events & Tourism budget would be discussed later at this meeting.

It was noted that the Events & Tourism Manager and Chairman of this committee (Cllr Barrett) have reviewed the 2020/21 budget figures.

7. To consider adopting the proposed Town Centre Strategy as previously presented by the Events & Tourism Manager.

The Events & Tourism Manager explained that following the last meeting of this committee she has presented her proposal to both Skipton BID and Craven District Council.

Members suggested that North Yorkshire County Council should also be involved with the implication of the plan.

Committee members **AGREED** to adopt the proposed town strategy as presented by the Events and Tourism Manager at the meeting on Thursday 24th October 2019.

8. To consider Budget Provision for the Council's events and tourism function 2020-2021

Members **NOTED** the planned Events & Festivals for 2020-21 including the possibility of the Skipton being a start or finish destination for the Tour De Yorkshire.

With regards to Skipton Gala it was **AGREED** to assist with staffing during 2020 but suggest that the organisers are urged to consider the future running of the organisation including registering themselves as a charity.

It was further suggested that the Skipton Branch of the Royal British Legion should be approached to discuss how they feel Armed Forces Day fits in with the Town Council run Sheep Day being run alongside each other. Councillor Bentley agreed to obtain details of the people who fund such events as the Armed Forces one.

Members considered the Public Services Budget 2020-21 and, after discussion, **AGREED** to make recommendations to the Finance & Policy Committee for inclusion within the Council's overall Budget.

9. To receive comments and suggestions on the future programme of Town Council events from Members not serving on the Events & Tourism Committee

Committee members received various suggestions for future events from Members of the Council not serving on this committee.

It was **AGREED** to discuss this matter further at a future meeting of this Committee.

Members congratulated the Events & Tourism Manager and her team on recent successful events.

10.To receive notification of matters that members would like on a future agenda

Armed Forces Day funding/Sheep Day arrangements

Funding for the Puppet Festival in 2021

Collating opinions on the town's events from the general public

Monthly update from the Events & Tourism Manager and Chairman of tis Committee.

The meeting closed at 19:48

Chairman:

Signature:

Date:

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