

Events and Community Committee



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Minutes of the Meeting held 5th October 2020, 7:00pm Meeting held remotely via Zoom

- EC/20-21/2/1 Present**
Cllr S Dymond (chair), Cllr C Dickens, Cllr A Cooper, Cllr J Owen. R Stephenson-Evans
In attendance: Sue Davies, Town Clerk
- EC/20-21/2/2 To receive and consider apologies for absence**
The Clerk has received apologies of absence from Cllr Burnett, J Locke and Mr W Richins.
- EC/20-21/2/3 To note declarations of Members Interests**
None
- EC/20-21/2/4 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th July 2020.**
The minutes of the meeting of the 6th July 2020 were approved by all those present.
- EC/20-21/2/5 Public Participation (A period of not exceeding 15 minutes for the press or public to make comments.)**
None

EC/20-21/2/6 **Matters arising from the meeting of the 6th July 2020 not covered elsewhere on the agenda.**

a) Questionnaire progress

The Clerk has not progressed this as it is not considered a priority at this moment.

EC/20-21/2/7 **Remembrance Day: To consider arrangements for 2020 and to receive feedback on a meeting held with the British Legion and Iain Baker, Vicar of St Thomas’.**

A meeting was held on the 7th September attended by Cllr Dymond, the Clerk, representatives of the Royal British Legion and I Baker to discuss potential possibilities for the Remembrance Service this year. It was noted Covid-19 restrictions have changed since the meeting and may change again before the day.

Suggestions put forward were to have a restricted event, live streamed onto social media. The event would require adherence to legislation and further guidance on Remembrance Day events are awaited.

It was agreed that a further meeting with the British Legion is required to finalise a Covid-19 based plan. The Clerk pointed out that a risk assessment would be required.

Cllr Dymond informed that the Poppy Appeal would be taking place in Tesco only, with one person at a time manning the desk.

The Committee resolved to delegate arrangements from the Town Council’s perspective to the Clerk in consultation with Cllr Dymond.

Actions: The Clerk to set up a further meeting with the British Legion.

EC/20-21/2/8 **To consider and discuss Christmas events:**

a) Christmas Lights switch on event – confirmation of date and to consider what can be done in light of Covid-19 restrictions.

It was agreed by the Committee that organising a public switch on was not going to be feasible due to Covid-19 restrictions.

It was agreed to do a switch on either the 30th November or the 1st December, but that the public would be asked to not attend. It was further agreed that the Mayor could switch the lights on and that it could be live streamed to social media.

The Clerk was asked to organise the switch on, including the Butt Lane Tree.

b) To consider and authorise or otherwise the expenditure for the light switch on.

The Committee resolved to accept the quote for putting the lights up and down from CMK Electrical Limited. It was noted that work is needed in the coming year to explore quotes from other suppliers and to find out if having a contract would reduce the annual cost.

c) Christmas Tree Provision – to consider and agree options.

R. Stephenson noted that he knows someone who has offered a tree and he said he would ask them to contact the office.

The Clerk was further delegated to help Go Kidsgrove with their tree, if required, up to £300.

The Clerk was asked to liaise with Go Kidsgrove regarding their new decorations.

The provision of a tree at Newchapel/Mow Cop was discussed. Although a potential site has been identified, it was agreed that it was not feasible to supply a tree this year. It was agreed that this be a future agenda item.

d) Update on the provision of the Christmas Pantomime.

It was resolved that the Town Council will not progress with a community pantomime this year due to Covid-19 restrictions.

e) Other Christmas Events

No other events were raised.

EC/20-21/2/9

To discuss other events taking Covid-19 into consideration:

a) Party in the Park: To further consider a proposed potential date for 2021

It was agreed that it cannot be certain yet that this can progress next year.

The Clerk raised that paperwork will soon need to be into the Borough Council.

A date of 31st July was proposed.

b) Reels on Wheels

It was agreed that these cannot resume under the current Covid-19 restrictions nor until the work in that hall is complete allowing it to reopen.

c) Any other events

None raised.

EC/20-21/2/10

Mayor support and Charity Events:

a) To receive a statement of accounts for the Mayors fund.

The Clerk/RFO presented the accounts from Cllr A Cartwright's Civic year. (appendix 1)

A discussion of the introduction of Barclays charges was raised. The Council has previously made a decision to remain supportive of the only bank still open in Kidsgrove. However, it was agreed that the clerk look at options.

It was noted that the money will be divided out between Cllr Cartwright's charities according to her wishes.

b) To receive a general update summary on the Mayor's Events and Fundraising.

Cllr Cooper noted that it is difficult for her to raise money as most of the events traditionally used by the Mayor to raise money.

c) To receive any further item from the Mayor relating to her fundraising including any proposed further events which may require support.

Cllr Cooper led a discussion around different ideas for fun-raising for her charities which are Covid-friendly. Various ideas were raised. It was agreed to proceed with the following:

- A Christmas competition be organised. This would be the form of a competition of the best decorated house on the theme of elves with humour 'very welcome'. The competition could be titled 'the mischievous Elves'. Either indoors or outdoors displays would be eligible on condition they are visible from the road. R Stephenson agreed to provide some prizes through Tesco Community. Entry forms will be required with an entry fee of £5 with each entry numbered. It was agreed to launch the competition when the lights are switched on but to begin advertising earlier.
- An event around utilising footpaths would be organised in the Spring.
- A hamper or prize could be prepared to donate to a raffle on condition of a donation to the Mayor's Charity.

Action: The Clerk agreed to arrange the Christmas competition paperwork. The poster needs to be out to be circulated within schools.

EC/20-21/2/11 To receive and note the committee's budget expenditure 2020/21 to date and to recommend any changes.

The Clerk informed that the budget for this committee remains unspent due to the effect of Covid-19.

EC/20-21/2/12 To receive any items from the Chair or Clerk.

Cllr Dymond updated on the Poppy Appeal.

EC/20-21/2/13 To consider and agree potential further events (suggested at the last meeting or raised since) for 2020 or subsequent years.

- Artisan Markets
- Regular Markets
- Barge Markets
- Kidsgrove by the Sea
- Barn Dance
- 80's night
- Wrestling and Boxing Nights
- Interschool sports day
- Any further suggestions

EC/20-21/2/14 To agree the time of the next meeting: The schedule is being prepared. The end of August/beginning of September was suggested.

The meeting concluded at 20:40

Amanda Cartwright - Mayor's Charity 2019 to 2020

Date	Description	In	Out	Balance	Comment
20/05/2019				£0.00	
04/06/2019	Banking Commission		£12.15	-£12.15	
04/06/2019	Loyalty Reward	£3.04		-£9.11	
05/07/2019	Banking Commission		£6.00	-£15.11	
05/07/2019	Loyalty Reward	£1.50		-£13.61	
05/08/2019	Banking Commission		£6.00	-£19.61	
05/08/2019	Loyalty Reward	£1.50		-£18.11	
05/09/2019	Banking Commission		£6.00	-£24.11	
05/09/2019	Loyalty Reward	£1.50		-£22.61	
07/10/2019	Banking Commission		£6.00	-£28.61	
07/10/2019	Loyalty Reward	£1.50		-£27.11	
04/11/2019	Banking Commission		£6.00	-£33.11	
04/11/2019	Loyalty Reward	£1.50		-£31.61	
11/11/2019	Beef Festival Raffle	£221.00		£189.39	
25/11/2019	Stalls Christmas Market	£300.00		£489.39	Accumulative sum
25/11/2019	Christmas Market raffles etc	£439.04		£928.43	
05/12/2019	Banking Commission		£7.99	£920.44	
05/12/2019	Loyalty Reward	£2.00		£922.44	
20/12/2019	Five Town Theatre		£400.00	£522.44	
23/12/2019	NY Ticket sales	£1,390.00		£1,912.44	Accumulative sum
09/01/2020	Loyalty Reward	£2.15		£1,914.59	
09/01/2020	Banking Commission		£14.60	£1,899.99	
13/01/2020	Wade Booth - Beer festival	£71.00		£1,970.99	
22/01/2020	Donation from cake stall - market	£112.50		£2,083.49	
22/01/2020	NYE Raffle money	£104.91		£2,188.40	
03/02/2020	Banking Commission		£10.20	£2,178.20	
03/02/2020	Loyalty Reward	£1.05		£2,179.25	
26/02/2020	£1000 float	£1,000.00		£3,179.25	
05/03/2020	Security for NY Eve		£240.00	£2,939.25	
06/03/2020	Banking Commission		£16.23	£2,923.02	
06/03/2020	Loyalty Reward	£2.56		£2,925.58	
18/03/2020	Rotary Santa Run	£218.76		£3,144.34	
06/04/2020	Banking Commission		£6.70	£3,137.64	
06/04/2020	Loyalty Reward	£0.18		£3,137.82	
28/08/2020	Party in Park - stalls	£483.00		£3,620.82	
28/08/2020	Charity Bucket - Ian Atherton	£13.08		£3,633.90	
28/08/2020	Charity Bucket - White Stars	£21.03		£3,654.93	
05/10/2020	Charity Buckets - Alice	£25.08		£3,680.01	
05/10/2020	Charity Buckets - Guide Dogs	£7.25		£3,687.26	
05/10/2020	Charity Buckets - diabetes Uk	£12.39		£3,699.65	
	Minus the £1000 float			£2,699.65	Final money to be paid out

