

PRESENT: Cllr. Pat Strack  
Cllr. Graeme Franklin  
Cllr. Anne Mitchell  
Cllr. Farida Turner – in the Chair

in attendance: Ash Tadjrishi, Events Co-ordinator  
Rev. Tim Warr

**1 TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. Sandra Parnell and Cllr. Richard Butler.

**2 TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2010 AS A CORRECT RECORD**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> February were Approved and Signed as a true record by vice-chair Cllr. Turner.

**3 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' PERSONAL AND/OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (IF ANY) RELEVANT TO THE BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED**

No declarations made.

**4 TO CONSIDER THE COACH TRIPS DESTINATIONS, DATES AND PROVIDER FOR 2010**

It was **AGREED** that the services of Hearn's Coaches to be employed as the provider of the coaches for the over 60s trips again this year. Member felt that Hearn's offered the best value and service to the residents of the Town.

AT proposed the following destinations and dates that were drawn up with respect to budget, distance, popularity and feedback received from Jenny Ellis, Joe Goldberg, Eileen Stanley and correspondence received relating to this matter. The following dates and destinations were **AGREED**:

**JUNE**

Monday	14th	-	Southend
Tuesday	15th	-	Bournemouth
Wednesday	16th	-	Clacton
Thursday	17th	-	Cotswold Villages

**JULY**

Monday	5th	-	Broadstairs and Whitstable
Tuesday	6th	-	Hastings
Wednesday	7th	-	Bournemouth
Thursday	8th	-	Rye and Bexhill on Sea
Monday	12th	-	Brighton
Tuesday	13th	-	Suffolk Villages
Wednesday	14th	-	Eastbourne
Thursday	15th	-	Southend

**5 TO CONSIDER THE FESTIVAL ENTERTAINMENTS PROGRAMME**

AT presented member with a programme of events that was almost complete with many events returning from last year and a couple of new events added. The new events planned are "Elstree and Borehamwood's Got Talent" – a variety show style talent competition to be held across two evenings at The Ark theatre. A Comedy Night, also at The Ark, for adults and a Roller Disco for under 18's at the Hertswood Centre. The Families Day Arena acts that had been confirmed at this time were:

**Mr. Topples** – Traditional Punch and Judy show plus mix and mingle fun.

**MAD Bikes** – Mountain bike skills display. To tie in with PCSO Messetter's 'Bike Awareness' campaign and the team run 'how to' sessions throughout the day. Great for all ages, especially teenagers.

**Billy Bubbles** – Balloon creations.

**Wheelies** - Electric Jeeps for young children.

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**On the Edge Stunt show** – “Film set” style stunt exhibitions performed by up to 5 stuntpersons.

**Toboggan Run** – Good fun, eye-catching and free for everyone to use.

**Circus Whizz Skills Workshop** – Good for all ages, interactive and fun.

AT is discussing options for more acts on the day and is also looking in to the cost of the Toboggan as he felt he could make further savings.

More discussion followed from the Festival Advisory meeting regarding Parade Day. Cllr. Franklin pointed out that even though the route had been shortened it must still be recognised as quite a walk for those entries. Cllr. Turner informed the committee that the Steel Band last year were not prepared for a lack of transport and were not equipped to walk the route. Cllr. Strack put forward the recommendation from Festival Advisory members that the Parade be reviewed after this year’s Festival. Members **AGREED**.

**6 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH EVENT AT ALLUM HALL**

Rev. Tim Warr and AT had been working on behalf of All Saints Church and the Town Council to host a performance by The West Windsor-Plainsboro High School North comprising of around 150 players. Allum Hall had finally been booked as the venue with the date of March 27<sup>th</sup> being the last night of the group’s tour in the UK. Members agreed that such collaborative effort was worthwhile and would provide a presence on the night. Cllr. Pat Strack offered to introduce the performers in her capacity as Mayor and to approach Tesco’s for some catering support. Whilst the event was only 2 weeks away both Rev. Warr and AT were confident that, with councillors’ help and local press coverage, they would be able to attract over 200 people to the event. Rev. Warr pointed out that an event of this scale had not been able to happen in the past and that it was the ideal event to start the Centenary celebrations for All-Saints Church and that with tickets only £3 and free refreshments on the night it was hoped that the community would come out in force to support.

**7 CLOSURE**

Meeting closed at 20:45 hours.

Next Meeting scheduled for 15<sup>th</sup> April 2010 at 19:30 hours.

Chair:.....

Date:.....