

ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL  
**MINUTES of the Entertainments Committee – 8<sup>th</sup> February 2011**

Held at Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood starting at 19:30 hours.

PRESENT: Cllr. Sandra Parnell – Chair  
Cllr. Farida Turner – Vice Chair  
Cllr. Richard Butler  
Cllr. Pat Strack

in attendance: Ash Tadjrishi, Events Co-ordinator

- 1 TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**  
Apologies were received from the Mayor Cllr. Anne Mitchell, Cllr. Hannah David, and Cllr. Graeme Franklin who were attending to other commitments. Cllr. Pat Strack substituted for Cllr. David.
- 2 TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2011 AS A CORRECT RECORD**  
The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January were Approved and Signed as a true record.
- 3 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' PERSONAL AND/OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (IF ANY) RELEVANT TO THE BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED**  
No declarations received.
- 4 TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE EVENTS COORDINATOR**  
The committee heard the report of the Events Coordinator. Members were updated on the first meeting this year of the Entertainments Forum and their views on possible destinations for the Coach trips. The Forum provided further contacts for the Entertainments Coordinator to follow up on with regards to supporting and including diversity within the Civic Festival. The Events Coordinator had issued a press release to the Elstree & Borehamwood Times in January, on behalf of the Town Council, thanking the community for their support last year and highlighting the forthcoming Civic Festival. This had been published on the paper's website.  
The festive decorations had been removed from the lamp columns as scheduled.
- 5 TO CONSIDER COACH TRIPS FOR 2011**  
Members viewed and discussed the proposed destinations for the coach trips. The Events Coordinator stated that despite the recent rise in fuel cost the programme had been discussed with the coach company and would be within the allocated budget. The following destinations were proposed and **agreed**:

JUNE

Mon 13th - Southend

Tue 14th - London (Natural History/Victoria & Albert/Science Museums - all FREE entry)

Weds 15th - Bournemouth

Thurs 16th - Portsmouth

JULY

Mon 4th - Clacton

Tue 5th - Brighton

Weds 6th - Southend

Thurs 7th - Norwich (Market day and Lord Mayor's Festival)

Mon 11th - Eastbourne

Tues 12th - Salisbury (Market Day)

Weds 13th - Hastings

Thurs 14 – Bournemouth

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Coaches would depart from Fairway Hall at 9am and the return journey would begin at 5pm.

Members proposed and **agreed** that the ticket price would remain the same as last year at £6.00. Cllr. R Butler proposed looking at the possibility of trialling a coach trip for families to the seaside during the summer. Following a discussion members **agreed** that the Events Coordinator to look in to the costs.

**6 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE CIVIC FESTIVAL**

Members were updated on planning for the Festival. Letters detailing and inviting people to join in with the Carnival Parade on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June and Families Day on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July had been sent out to those on the mailing list. At present 7 Parade entries have been received and 6 requests for stalls on Families Day.

The emergency services and PCSO had been informed of the dates and the Police Cadets have offered to escort the Parade as last year.

Arena entertainments for Families Day and the marching band for the Parade have been booked and confirmed. Cllr. P Strack reminded the committee that the Borehamwood Brass Band will have been in existence for 40 years this year and would be very welcome to join the Parade to celebrate this. Members agreed and the Events Coordinator agreed to extend the invitation.

Whilst discussing other festival events Cllr. F Turner suggested contacting Rev. Richard Leslie to pass on details of events to the Interfaith Forum.

Cllr. R Butler proposed that there should be more signage along the route prior to Parade day to let more people know about it.

**7 FIRST IMPRESSIONS UPDATE**

Members heard that the project was on course for completion with the project reception being postponed until 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2011.

**8 TOWN NEWSLETTER UPDATE**

Cllr. P Strack updated members on the meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February of the Newsletter sub-Committee.

All Councillors, previous contributors and interested parties have been sent an email informing about the next edition of the Town Crier and inviting local organisations to submit any events they are holding for inclusion on the Town Council website. The Events Coordinator has received some information that has been put on a page and a request made to the IT service provider to get this information online.

**CLOSURE**

Meeting closed at 20.30 hours.

Next Meeting scheduled for Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2010 at 19:30 hours.

Chair:.....

Date:.....