

ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

**ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES** of a meeting held at Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood on **Wednesday 1 February 2012** at 7.30pm.

Present: Town Mayor Cllr Mrs S Parnell (Chairman in the Chair)  
Cllr Mrs F Turner (Vice-Chairman)  
Cllr Mrs A Mitchell  
Cllr R Butler  
Cllr Ms S Maughan  
Cllr Mrs P Strack  
Cllr C Kelly

In Attendance: D Feehily – Events Coordinator  
H Jones – Town Clerk

**66. APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

There were none.

**67. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS**

There were none.

**68. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 NOVEMBER 2011**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 January 2012 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**69. REPORT OF THE EVENTS COORDINATOR**

The report of the Events Coordinator was received. It was noted that:

**Over 60s Coach Trip Preparation (June and July 2012)**

- The coach trip dates were agreed as (inclusive) Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July (subject to transport availability). It was agreed that the suggested destinations would be presented to and confirmed by the Committee at the 13<sup>th</sup> March 2012 meeting.

### **Update on Queen's Diamond Jubilee Cadet Tattoo to be held at Allum Hall on Sunday 12 February 2012**

- The Committee was informed of the up to date list of confirmed guests, information was received via email from Pastor Jackson confirming noted attendance of first aiders from the police cadets.
- It was also noted that the piper, George MacGregor, has requested that his fee be donated to the poppy appeal through the Royal British Legion.

### **Initial plans and proposals for Civic Festival 2012**

- Following a full and wide ranging debate, a motion was proposed, duly seconded, and put to vote (with Cllr R Butler abstaining) whereby;

**It was RESOLVED by a majority decision that:**

**the date of the 2012 Festival Families' Day be rescheduled with the traditional activities/acts being held on Sunday 1 July 2012 at Meadow Park as the Festival Finale (with other activities being considered for the Saturday at the next Committee meeting, subject to budget availability, thus creating in effect a Families' Weekend).**

- The Events Coordinator provided an initial list of examples for Families' Day acts which were welcomed with interest by Committee Members. It was agreed in principle that all acts should provide value for money, be sufficiently varied, suitable for a range of age groups and, above all, be fun and exciting for the spectators/participants. It was noted that a fuller list of recommended acts and activities (with costs) be considered at the next Committee meeting.
- Further to Minute 52. of the Committee Minutes on 19 December 2011, the Committee discussed a request for further unspecified funding for costs associated with the BBC Band concert to be hosted by Elstree Screen Heritage at the Ark Theatre.

**It was AGREED that:**

- (i) due to budget constraints and budget setting timescales, the Council's contribution to the BBC Band Concert be capped at £1,000 for 2012 with additional support being provided by the Town Crier listing the event in its programme; and**
- (ii) Elstree Screen Heritage be asked to clarify its options for other contributory funding and ticket pricing (it was noted and accepted that the previously suggested £5 entrance fee scale may be insufficient to cover running costs).**

**Cllr Mrs A Mitchell – BETTA Quiz Event**

- This item was referred from the Council minutes received regarding the possibility of a BETTA quiz event taking place in the town civic festival.
- Following discussions it was agreed that a BETTA quiz should take place subject to date confirmation, and as recognition of the excellent work undertaken by BETTA the Committee would agreed to waive the hire fee for Fairway hall for this event;
- It was noted that the Town Council had written to confirm the date of the British legion quiz event and was awaiting a response.

**Update: Schools letter**

- The Committee was also informed that as requested, a letter had now been sent to local schools asking if any further assistance could be provided to ensure that they had the opportunity to take part in the town parade.

**Christmas lights**

- It was reported to the Committee that all breakdowns were reported to the service provider as requested and the agreement with them to ensure best value was not to repair unserviceable items but to replace them in the following year with up to date LED lights.
- The Council would be suggesting that any non serviceable lights in 2012 would be recommended for removal. The Committee also noted there remained one year left on the current contract with the supplier.

**Events Forum for 2012**

**It was AGREED that:  
consideration of the reconstitution of the Events Forum be deferred until the  
Committee meeting on 8 May 2012.**

**70. CLOSURE**

The Meeting closed at 8.45pm.

It was noted that the date of the next meeting was scheduled for 13<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

Date:..... CHAIRMAN.....