

ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting held in Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood on **Tuesday 12 September 2017** at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr Mrs P Strack (Chairman) (in the Chair)
Cllr C Barker (Vice Chairman)
Cllr E Silver (ex-officio)
Cllr V Eni (ex-officio)
Cllr Mrs A Mitchell
Cllr Mrs F Turner
Cllr Mrs S Parnell

In attendance: D Salter (Entertainments Officer)

20. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr A Coleshill (Other Business).

21. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS

There were none.

22. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 11 July 2017 were approved and authorised for signing by the Committee Chairman.

23. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Responding to calls by some Members of the Public to provide additional festive decorations in Borehamwood, the Committee received quotes from the Council's agreed lighting contractor (until the contract was renegotiated/put out to tender in 2019/20) Lamps & Tubes Illuminations Ltd for additional lighting.

It was RESOLVED that:

the quotes submitted by Lamps & Tubes Illuminations Ltd to enhance the current Christmas lights in Shenley Road and lighting for the Christmas tree to be positioned

outside All Saints Church be approved (£1,755 plus VAT coded to New Initiatives 301/3147).

24. FIREWORKS NIGHT

Members received a progress report on arrangements for organising the 5 November 2017 Fireworks Display. It was noted that the Penny for the Guy competition would operate on the same basis as the previous year.

It was RESOLVED that:

- (i) AMC Communications be appointed as the PA system provider for Fireworks Night 2017;**
- (ii) J Amer be appointed as the refreshments and fairground rides provider for Fireworks Night 2017 (with exclusivity for the selling of merchandise e.g. glow sticks); and**
- (iii) the times for Fireworks Night be set to commence one hour earlier from previous years (due to the date falling on a Sunday), i.e. the display to commence at 6.30pm.**

25. CHRISTMAS 2017

Members received a progress report on arrangements for the 2017 Christmas Lights Switch-On event taking place on Sunday 26 November 2017.

26. BBC ELSTREE CONCERT BAND

Members received a progress report on arrangements for the 2017 BBC Elstree Concert Band Christmas Concert.

It was RESOLVED that:

- (i) the ticket pricing for the 2017 concert increase to £8.00 each (previously £6.00); and**
- (ii) free mulled wine and mince pies to be served during the interval.**

27. COACH TRIPS

Members received a written report prepared by the Mayor's Secretary on the 2017 Summer Coach Trips.

It was RESOLVED that:

- (i) alternative destinations be found to replace Poole and Portsmouth for the 2018 Summer Coach Trips; and**

- (ii) a questionnaire be produced to be distributed through Town Crier, Council Website, DR96 and Tuesday Drop In asking for destination suggestions.

28. CHRISTMAS COACH TRIPS

Members received destination suggestions for the 2017 Christmas Coach Trips.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

- (i) destinations be ‘Winter Land’ at the Southbank Centre, London (subject to suitability) or Winchester and Canterbury Christmas Market;
- (ii) dates be set for trips to take place on a Monday and Thursday to avoid any clashes with the Tuesday Drop in and DR96; and
- (iii) the ticket price for 2017 Christmas Coach Trips be set at £7.00 each (non-transferable).

29. FUTURE EVENTS

Members discussed suggestions for future events to take place in 2018.

It was **RESOLVED** that the following arrangements be made:

- the Town Council take part in the Aldenham ‘Funday’ Weekend taking place on 17 and 18 March 2018;
- the Town Council to light the beacon on Woodcock Hill as part of First World War Beacons of Light - ‘Battle’s Over’. A Nations Tribute 11 November 2018 at 7.00pm;
- Families Day times be 12pm – 4pm; and
- 2018 Pre Festival to include a multi-cultural food area alongside the Town Councils outdoor café.

30. TOWN CRIER

Members received an update and draft copy of issue 27.

31. CLOSURE

It was noted that the next Committee meeting was scheduled to take place on Tuesday 17 October 2017.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

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