

ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting held online in a Zoom meeting on **Tuesday 6 October 2020** at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Mrs P Strack (Chairman) (in the Chair)
Cllr Mrs F Turner (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr S Rubner (ex-officio)
Cllr Mrs S Parnell (ex-officio)
Cllr A Collins
Cllr V Eni
Cllr P Kaza (Substitution)

In attendance: D Salter (Entertainments Officer)

35. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Lawrence (Other Business), Cllr M Vince (Other Business) (Cllr P Kaza Substitution)

36. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS

There were none.

37. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 1 September 2020 were approved and authorised for signing by the Committee Chairman.

38. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

39. FLAG COMPETITION AND FLAGPOLE

Members discussed having a new town flagpole to be erected in Elstree or Borehamwood.

Requirements that were discussed:

- 12M GRP pole with internal halyard system and security lock £525.98
- Installation in to concrete £950
- 6.4 sqm (2.1 x 3M) bespoke double-sided flag printed onto knitted polyester with interlayer and rope toggle finish: £358.40
- Delivery cost for pole for install: £275
- Portable flagpole for events: £300
- Ground Inspection: depending on location, cost unknown at this point.

Members also voted on the runner up prizes for the Town Flag competition.

The results were.

- Under-12s category: Isabella Sasto, (aged 8)
- Best design from a 12 to 16 year old: Madison Bradley (aged 12)

Members received proof designs for the railway station banners featuring the winning flag.

It was AGREED:

- (i) that the project have a budget of £3500;**
- (ii) that funding be redirected from Artiste Fees 302/3229 from the Entertainments Budget; and**
- (iii) the banners going up at the station to feature the Town Council name and logo.**

40. CHRISTMAS 2020:

Member received updates on the installation of the 2020/21 Christmas lights going up on Shenley Road, Elstree Village, Manor Way and Leeming Road.

The Entertainments Officer suggested to the committee that due to the Covid-19 pandemic that this years Christmas Lights Switch On Event would be unable to go ahead. An alternative Virtual Switch On was suggested in it's place featuring the Mayor giving a Christmas message, Borehamwood Brass and a surprise Christmas message from cast members from EastEnders directly to the residents of Elstree and Borehamwood and broadcast on the Town Website, You Tube and Facebook.

Cllr P Strack discussed Elstree Mozart Players performing a socially distanced Christmas Concert at Allum Hall and asked if the Town Council will support it as a replacement for this years BBC Elstree Concert Bands Christmas Concert which unfortunately had to be cancelled.

It was AGREED:

- (i) to go ahead with the Virtual Switch On video;**
- (ii) to proceed with the Christmas Concert on the 19th December on the condition it follows government guidelines; and**
- (iii) ticket price for the concert to be set at £5**

41. FUTURE EVENTS

Members received an update on the Virtual Talent Show, at this time only 1 person had entered, the Entertainments Officer suggested that the deadline be extended.

It was AGREED:

- (i) to extend the deadline of the Talent Show and release the video in January.**

42. TOWN CRIER

Members discussed the special supplement on "Aldenham Reservoir - Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" for its "Have Your Say" section,

The supplement would include a short history of the reservoir together with guest contributions from a cross-section of organisations and individuals who have an interest in the future of the site.

It was RESOLVED that:

- (i) in view of ongoing discussions between the Land Owner of Aldenham Reservoir and Hertsmere Borough Council, the inclusion of an article in a Town Crier publication (setting out views of interested parties who had submitted draft contributions as to the future of the site) be withheld from the November 2020 edition (TC#40) and be reviewed by the Committee at a future meeting;**
- (ii) contributors to (i) above be thanked and notified of the decision to withhold the article;**
- (iii) an alternate article relating to the history of the Aldenham Reservoir site be included in TC#40 in place of that listed in (i) above; and**

- (iv) **Town Crier Sub Committee to meet on Tuesday 20th October at 2pm in the Fairway Hall.**

43. BUDGETS

Members discussed Budget Virements to reallocate 2020/21 Entertainments Budget and discussed Headline items for the 2021/22 Entertainments Committee Budget.

It was AGREED that:

- (i) **2020/21 FIREWORKS DISPLAY (301/3130) be transferred to new a new budget entry under the name NHS THANK YOU EVENT;**
- (ii) **2020/21 PRE FESTIVAL (301/3202) be transferred to new a new budget entry under the name COVID-19 MEMORIAL SERVICE; and**
- (iii) **Headline items for the 2021/22 Entertainments Budget be Borehamwood Brass Anniversary and Borehamwood Twin Town Anniversary.**

44. CLOSURE

It was noted the next Committee meeting was scheduled to take place on Tuesday 3 November.

The Meeting closed at 8.20pm.

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