ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting held in Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood on Tuesday 10 November 2015 at 7.30pm

Cllr Mrs P Strack (Chairman) (in the Chair) Cllr S Rubner (Vice Chairman) Cllr Mrs A Mitchell (ex-officio) Cllr A Coleshill Cllr C Butchins (Substitution) Cllr Mrs S Parnell

In attendance: L Stack (EBRA) R Jarvis (Head Steward) D Salter (Events Officer)

40. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr R Butler (Town Mayor) (ex-officio) (Other Business), Cllr V Eni (Other Business) (Cllr C Butchins substituted) and Cllr C Barker (Other Business).

41. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS

There were none.

42. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13 October 2015 were approved and authorised for signing by the Committee Chairman.

43. FIREWORKS NIGHT

Members received feedback and a debrief of the 5 November 2015 Fireworks Display in Meadow Park from the Head Steward.

It was noted that positive responses had been received by the Office from Members of the Public in person, by email and on the Council's Facebook and Twitter pages.

It was noted that one of the large speaker towers was not working, the general quality of the sound was muffled and crackling and that one of the Stage Two contractors was required to return to Watford 30 minutes prior to the start of the event to obtain a missing item. The general quality of the sound system provided was, therefore, deemed as poor.

It was suggested that more Town Council flags be purchased for future events.

It was AGREED that:

- (i) any invoices for sound provision for Fireworks 2015 be reviewed by the Committee, once received, prior to authorisation for payment; and
- (ii) an advert be placed in the Town Crier to advertise for new stewards.

44. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Members received a progress report on arrangements for organising the 2015/16 Christmas Lights and 'Switch On' Event on 29 November 2015.

It was noted that the Events Officer was liaising with Pam Kubica concerning "timings" for the event insofar as All Saints Church was involved.

The Christmas lights were to be switched on by EastEnders actress Shona McGarty (the character "Witney") on a cost neutral basis.

45. CIVIC FESTIVAL 2016

Members received a progress report on arrangements for the 2016 Civic Festival.

It was noted that the Members were supportive of the Events Officer's recommendations in the report regarding improvements and extra content for the Civic Festival; namely, having Skate park Awareness Day in Aberford Park.

It was also suggested that there be a backup plan in the event of inclement weather for the outdoor screenings.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

- (i) the 2016 car show theme be 'James Bond' and that the outdoor cinema show Goldfinger, The Spy Who Loved Me and Skyfall;
- (ii) Families' Day 2016 Artistes be confirmed as follows subject to amendments at the Committee meeting on 12 January 2016 (at the costs set out):

| Company | Activity |
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| The Black Rock Llama Display (£1,250) | Stunt Llamas in Action |
| Jez Avery's All New Stunt Show (£695) | Fun four vehicle stunt show for all the family |
| The Crazy Tramps (£1000) | Trampolining tricks and acrobatic tricks |
| Free Drop (£2000) | A have-a-go experience with a difference. Jump into a huge pillow of air |
| M.A.D Mountain Bike Aerial Display (£1100) | Top mountain bike champions amaze with jumps, hops, spins and tricks |
| Dangerous Steve (£675) | A juggling, ladder balancing, unicycling master class, with great audience participation and comedy |
| Ye Olde Redtail Falconry (£945) | A fast flowing display with brilliant backing music |
| Ridgeside Falconry (£595) | A fun, lively display with a good selection of birds |

| Bozo & Zizi's Circus Workshop | (£275 - 1 Entertainer) (£475 – 2 Entertainers) |
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| Circus AVAGO (£725) | |
| The Sheep Shearing Show (£650) | |
| The Circus Whiz Workshop (£595) | |
| The Popettes (£816) | 50's & 60's cover band |

- (iii) more information be sought for the Skate park Awareness Day and the possibility of the group appearing at the pre festival event
- (iv) the Queen's 90th Birthday would be a joint Town WHVg project
- (v) the date for the Pre Festival be set for Saturday 7th May 2016; and
- (iv) a suitable bouncy castle be included in the activities for the Pre Festival event.

46. TOWN CRIER

It was AGREED that:

the next Town Crier Sub-Committee meeting be scheduled to take place on Tuesday 15 December 2015 at 10.00 am in the Town Council Offices' Meeting Room.

47. CLOSURE

It was noted that the next Committee meeting was scheduled to take place on Tuesday 12 January 2016.

The Meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

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