SANDBACH TOWN COUNCIL

EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of Sandbach Town Council's Events Sub-Committee held on 16 February 2022 at 7pm in Sandbach Town Hall.

PRESENTCouncillorsL CraneG MerryG MerryS BroadR HoffmannD HegartyA NevittN Cook (Arrived 7.15pm)

Also present was the Senior Events and Business Promotion Officer

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Price Jones and Beddows

No apologies received: Cllr R Hoffmann

2. CO-OPTION TO THE EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE

Resolved: That Cllrs Nevitt and Cook be Co-opted to the Events Committee.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Merry noted that she is a trustee of Foden's Band.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

As there were no members of the public in attendance, the meeting was not adjourned.

4. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE HELD 20 JULY 2021

The minutes were deferred until the next meeting of the Committee due to an inquorate number of Members in attendance from 20th July 2021.

5. EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Resolved: That the draft terms of reference be recommended to Council for adoption.

6. FAMILY FUN DAY EVENTS

Lead: Senior Events and Business Promotion Officer

The Senior Events and Business Promotion Officer presented a schedule of free activities that she planned to hold during the School Half Terms and Summer Holidays. These Included:

12th April – Children's Cinema – Cost to Council £204
2nd August – Soft Play – Cost to Council £160
9th August – Creepy Crawly Show – Cost to Council £350
16th August – Doodle the Kids Party Entertainer – Cost to Council £207
23rd August – Prince and Princess Morning – Cost to Council £190
23rd August – Super Hero Afternoon – Cost to Council £190
25th October – Children's Cinema – Cost to Council £204

The Senior Events and Business Promotion Officer estimated advertising would cost £450 for 9000 leaflets delivered. The events will all be coded to the Community Events budget line.

The Committee were very pleased to receive notification of this fantastic series of Events. The Senior Events and Business Promotion Officer was asked to explore whether 2 showings could be put on a day for the Cinema due to previous popularity.

Resolved: That the Committee give approval for this schedule of events to go ahead.

7. PARTY IN THE PARK

Lead: The Operation Support Officer

The Operational Support Officer informed the Committee that the following quotes had been received from providers for Party in the Park 2022 for a date of 2nd July:

Hipswing (Staging, Lighting and Sound): £5726.70 Blitz Fireworks (Fireworks Finale): £2976 Alpha Omega (Security): £936.71 County Loos (Toilets): £54 per unit, £120 Transport

Members indicated that they would like the event to follow the same format as in previous years and agreed that the Boys School Big Band be invited to the event to play before Fodens for a donation of £250. Members also agreed to ask Blackwater and Grubb if they would like to attend and pay for a pitch at £50. It was confirmed that this is the 10th anniversary of Party in the Park, and so this should feature in the advertising.

Resolved: That:

- i. Organisation of the event be delegated to the Operational Support Officer
- ii. Approval is sought from the Community and Environment Committee to appoint Blitz and Hipswing for the event at the prices quoted.

8. JUBILEE EVENT

Lead: The Chair

Members felt that the best way to reach as much of the Sandbach Residents for this event as possible was to support locally held events rather than holding than the TC holding its own event.

It was suggested that this would be best achieved by offering financial assistance to Community Groups/Friends of Sandbach Park groups that are planning to hold events in open spaces and in parks. These community groups would be written to and informed that they could apply to the Town Council to access funds from a pot of money set aside to support the event. This money could be drawn from the current Grants Budget or the Events Budget.

It was agreed that this concept to taken to the next Community and Environment meeting for approval.

Resolved: That:

- i. £1200 be put aside for Community Events organised in parks and open spaces and held on the June Bank Holiday Weekend.
- ii. The Clerk and Chair of the meeting are to put the scheme to the next meeting of the Community and Environment Committee to gain permission to continue.

9. THE FUTURE OF SANDBACH EVENTS

Lead: The Chair

Several ideas for future events were put forward by Members:

- Lantern Festivals at Christmas Cllr Broad to find more information after having being involved in a similar event
- Cinemas for Teenagers
- Day of Dance. Members were informed that this had been tried before but unfortunately there was no interest from Dance groups due to being booked up so far in advance.

- Wellbeing Event Cllr L Crane offered to look further into holding this event.
- Events for the 250th Anniversary of Trent and Mersey Canal in 2027. It was suggested that other Towns upon the Canal could be worked with to enable attractions and traders to work their way down the Canal over a period. It was also questioned as the whether the Canal and River Trust were planning an event.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 ChALC

Email dated 5 January regarding Queens Jubilee Beacons – 2^{nd} June 2022. Members felt that this was not something the Council could get involved in due to their being no suitable location for a beacon.

Resolved: That the correspondence is noted.

10.2 St Johns Parochial Church Council

Email dated 5 January regarding request for support with the Queens Jubilee Picnic in the Park Event.

It was decided that the Clerk of the Meeting drafts a letter explaining that they the Church will hopefully be able to apply for funding for their event soon through STC. More information will be available following the C&E Meeting

Resolved: That the Clerk of the Meeting drafts a letter from Ward Cllrs

11. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on 29th March at 7pm in the Charter Room Sandbach Town Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.11pm L Crane, in the Chair MW