

SANDBACH TOWN COUNCIL

EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of Sandbach Town Council's Events Sub-Committee held on 20 July 2021 at 6.00pm in The Ballroom, Sandbach Town Hall.

PRESENT	Councillors	G Merry (Retiring Chair) L Crane (Chair) J Beddows D Hegarty G Price Jones
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The meeting was opened by the retiring Chair.

1. EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIR

Resolved: That Cllr L Crane be appointed as Chair of the Events Sub-Committee.

Cllr Crane took over Chairmanship of the meeting.

2. EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIR

Resolved: That Cllr Merry be appointed as Vice Chair of the Events Sub-Committee.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Hoffmann and Broad

No apologies received: D Jack

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None pecuniary interests were received from Cllr Merry has a Fodens Trustee, and Cllr L Crane as the Councillor representative for Fodens.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

The Chair adjourned the Meeting to allow questions from the Member of public in attendance.

As there were no questions, the meeting was immediately reconvened.

5. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE HELD 7 APRIL 2021.

Approval of the minutes was deferred until the next meeting of the Sub-Committee due to an inqorate number of members in attendance from 7 April meeting.

6. FAMILY FUN EVENTS

The meeting Clerk reported that 3 Free activities have been organised and promoted by the Events team:

- 10th August – Peter Rabbit 2 (Children’s Community Cinema). The Committee questioned whether 2 showings would be possible if the first one sold out.
- 17th August – Meet the Creepy Crawlies with 2 interactive shows
- 24th August – Softplay for 0-5 in the Town Hall.

The Clerk also reported that the Events team are planning October Events including a Halloween cinema and a pumpkin carving competition. The update was gratefully received by the Sub-Committee.

7. PARTY IN THE PARK

The Clerk of the meeting explained that efforts had been made to match both bands back up for a new 2021 date, which unfortunately had not been possible. The Meeting Clerk asked for direction from the Committee

The Sub-Committee were of the opinion that it is beginning to get too late into the year to reorganise Party in the Park, and that this event should be cancelled for 2021. In its place, the Sub-Committee would like to use the Foden’s concert as a Christmas Concert in St Mary’s Church, with the Boys School Big band bring a small ensemble for a reception afterwards in the Church Hall. The Committee agreed that a date of 12th December should be the initial target for such an event.

Resolved: that Party in the Park 2021 be cancelled, and the Clerk of the meeting makes inquiries with involved parties with a view to holding a Christmas Concert on St Mary’s Church on 12th December.

8. MARKET TOWN FESTIVAL

The Meeting Clerk explained that organisation and advertisement of this event is now well underway, with a fantastic range of activities being planned, expanding on last years event.

The Committee asked if a number of ideas could be put back the Events Team:

- Can there be a Ye old England Fancy dress competition?
- Can shops down the High Street get involved with window dressing? GM and LC offered to deliver letter to shops.
- Can the ponies be unicorns, as these have previously proved very popular.
- Can the Event be linked to the Makers Market on the day?
- Can the Town Crier be invited?

9. WELLBEING EVENT

The Chair of the meeting noted that unfortunately, due to a number of reasons, this event has not been progressed. She proposed that a new date of 10th October (WHO's Mental Health Day) should be set for the Event in the Town Hall. The Committee asked the Chair to ensure that the event is shaped around wellbeing as a whole.

The Chair agreed to progress this event with the Working Group that was put together at the previous Events Sub-Committee Meeting.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

11. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on 14 September 2021 at 6.00pm

The meeting closed at 6.50pm
L Crane, in the Chair
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