

WIGTON TOWN COUNCIL

A MEETING OF THE FESTIVALS COMMITTEE WAS HELD ON MONDAY 18TH OCTOBER AT 6.30PM

PRESENT

Councillors Ferriby, Lynch, Speksnyder. S Keaveney
3 members of the Public

FES/11/2021 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES & RECORD REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Scott – family emergency
C Stabler, B Campbell

FES/12/2021 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

None

FES/13/2021 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

None

The Chair brought Item 3.3 forward on the Agenda in light of the public presence.

FES/14/2021 TO AGREE DONATIONS TO GROUPS/ESTATES FOR CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

The Chair explained that the Committee were welcoming bids for group activities and that if a donation was agreed, receipts will be required for an audit trail.

Springfield Residents are looking to purchase a tree for the estate and/or lights etc. A donation of up to £250 was approved.

A request for a donation for sweets and bells was received for the Elf parade around the estates. £70.00 was approved

A request for the purchase of step ladders to put up poppies was received, as well as a contribution towards the materials required. Up to £50 was approved for materials, the Clerk will check if the Town Council has ladders that can be used.

A request from Wigton Baths Trust was received for funds towards prizes for the Christmas Themed Car Treasure Hunt to be held on 28th November. As this is a fundraising event for the Trust, the committee decided not to provide funds towards it, but will donate a prize. The Clerk is to contact the Trust to see what prize/prizes they are looking for.

FES/15/2021 EVENTS FOR 2021

15.1 Queens Platinum Jubilee

The Clerk reported the beacon was to be repaired. A letter had been received from the Pageantmaster of The Queens's Platinum Jubilee Beacons outlining arrangements for the day. Quotes for a piper had been requested. The Clerk will try to find a Town Crier. S Keaveney suggested that this item be referred to the Town Council due to the event being ceremonial.

The Clerk and S Keaveney had met with Fluid Productions who had provided a quote for the live screening of the concert from Buckingham Palace to see what extras could be provided. S Keaveney proposed that a GWR attempt be made on the day, prior to the screening of the concert. Drone prices have been obtained. The recommendation to full council is that this project is approved. It is anticipated that funding streams will be available towards the additional costs (estimate 5K).

Cllr Speksnyder noted the Big Jubilee Lunch is to take place the day before. It was felt by the committee that this is an opportunity for families/residents/groups to organise their own celebrations.

15.2 Publicity and Awards for best decorated house and best dressed commercial shop window

The Clerk will manage the submissions. Boxes of confectionery and certificates to be awarded

Meeting Closed at 7.55pm

Date of Next Meeting **Monday 22nd November at 6pm**