

WIGTON TOWN COUNCIL
A MEETING OF THE FESTIVALS COMMITTEE WAS
HELD ON MONDAY 7 MARCH 2022 AT 6PM

PRESENT

Councillors Ferriby, Lynch, Speksnyder and Scott. S Keaveney, C Stabler (NADT), Steve Collier (RBLI)

FES/25/2021 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES & RECORD REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Brian Campbell, Ellie Jones (Allerdale Borough Council Events)

FES/26/2021 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

None

FES/27/2021 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

None

Minutes were agreed as being correct from last meeting. Draft event leaflet was handed around for comments. Could we cost the distribution with Post Office. Look at cost, print run etc.

FES/29/2021 EVENTS DURING 2022

29.1 BUDGET REPORT

Assistant Clerk (AC) gave brief report of where we are with costs. Miss Keaveney suggested we develop a list of target sponsors for the events this year, and following years. Best to define the request and look at offering different levels/bands of sponsorship. Show what the sponsor would receive in return (sponsor board on site, PR).

Cllr. Scott suggested Cllr. Mike Armstrong might have some ideas.

Festivals group to send suggested sponsors to approach to AC.

29.2 TASTE OF WIGTON 2022

AC read out updated information from Ellie Jones, of ABC Events team.

Sandra Keaveney provided an update about some of the elements that still required clarification – painting session, circus skills (not currently booked).

Cllr. Ferriby suggested publicity sent to schools before they break up on 25th.

29.3 JUBILEE

AC reported that our beacon lighting has been registered and our event will be on the national map. We still require a town crier. A name was suggested and he will be contacted – potential for costume from theatre.

Fireworks – Fluid Productions still struggling to find supplier. Potential to ask for alternative like lasers.

Streaming of concert – still no time from BBC.

Discussed time for event start.

Vendors: Sandra suggested we send out communication via Facebook asking for vendors: Hot drinks beverages, burgers, ice cream, fast food, beer, sweets/cakes.

S. Keaveney suggested we need a walk-through of event on location. Circus performer might be a good fit to keep children entertained.

Elli had suggested a meeting on 22 March but many of attendees not around. Suggest she visit office.

29.4 CHRISTMAS 2022

GWR = no response. Unanimous decision ice rink is the chosen activity for the event.

Ice Rink – has been provisionally booked.

Christmas Market

Grotto and Staging – Jonathan will visit to finalise plans in due course.

Mr Pumpnickel, Circus guy and face painter will all be contacted for pricing and availability.

Need to source a Santa. Few names suggested.

Gazebos – need to check condition of the gazebos we have at WTC.

Meeting Closed at 7.15pm

Date of Next Meeting **Monday 25th April at 6pm**