

# Brixham Town Council

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## Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Services Committee held at Brixham Town Hall on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 7.00pm

**Present:** Cllrs P Addison, R Clarke, V Campbell, D Giles, M Morey, J Wilbraham and one representative of Brixham Arts & Theatre Society (BATS).

Cllr Giles substituted for Cllr Stockman.

**Also present:** L McGuirk, Deputy Town Clerk.

**17187. To accept apologies for absence.**

Cllrs J Stockman and Regan.

**17188. To make any Declarations of Interest.**

Cllr Clarke declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 8. Cllr Clarke is a Director of Shoalstone Pool CIC Ltd.

**17189. To consider any requests for Dispensation on agenda items.**

None.

**17190. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018 were **agreed** and signed by the Chairperson.

**17191. To discuss and consider any budget requirements for the 2019/20 period.**

Discussion regarding options took place. It was **agreed** not to request a budget.

**17192. To hear an update on the Lanterns, Lights & 'luminations event.**

Members were updated by the deputy clerk:

- Deputy clerk is meeting with the event organisers on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September to discuss progress.
- The advertising poster is currently being designed.
- There will be no large fairground rides this year.
- Road closure application has been submitted by Born Hectic.
- Street Collection licence has been granted.
- A quote has been requested for waste collection during the event.
- The street market that was located on Middle Street will be re located to the Quay and Strand to centralise the event.
- Contribution letter is ready to be delivered and volunteers were requested to deliver. Cllr Campbell volunteered to help.

The deputy clerk advised members of a Health & Safety concern that had been raised by the Head Steward (Town Clerk) leading the parade in 2017. It was reported that the volume of people spectating during the lantern Parade had made it difficult for the buggy to pass through the crowds safely. Spectators were very close to the vehicle and in danger of coming into contact with the buggy. The Head Steward had advised that all precautions had been taken to prevent injury but did not believe it was safe to continue using a vehicle at the front of the parade.

Members discussed the concerns raised and considered alternative options. It was **agreed** to proceed with the use of the beach buggy, if it is available, for 2018.

**17193. To hear an update on the plans for the end of WW1 Celebration event being held in the Scala Hall on the 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018.**

Members were updated by the deputy clerk:

- Quote from Patty's Pieces of Cakes has been accepted.
- Quote from Berry Head Hotel has been accepted. A plaque will be placed on the table acknowledging sponsorship from the hotel.
- 10 silhouettes have arrived.
- A draft ticket is being worked on.
- Sandy Sparkle will bring all her own equipment and will play music of the era when she is not performing.
- Need to order decorations
- Tickets need to be produced and invitations sent to community groups.
- Issue a press release, needs to be done asap.

**17194. To discuss and consider a request from Torbay Council to organise The Battles Over – A Nations Tribute – Beacon Lighting on the 11<sup>th</sup> November. Report 28-2018.**

Standing orders were suspended to allow a representative of Brixham Arts & Theatre Society (BATS) to address members.

BATS advised they have been working on the Beacon project for some time and that plans were well advanced. BATS have been liaising with Torbay Coast and Countryside Trust (TCCT) to locate a beacon at Berry Head nature reserve.

Members were shown a brochure from the 'Metal Pig Forge' in Totnes and were advised the beacon design has been agreed, ordered and is currently being made. An application to English Heritage is required and it is not known whether permission will be granted in time for the 11<sup>th</sup> November. Discussion took place regarding alternative locations and it was suggested BATS contact Shoalstone Pool CIC Ltd and ask permission to hold the event at Shoalstone. A member of the Battery Heritage Museum as been invited to light the beacon.

Standing orders were reinstated.

Members considered options for the Town Council to support BATS and it was noted the advanced stage of the project

It was **resolved** that the Town Council supports BATS to find an alternative location should Berry Head not be available.

**17195. To discuss and consider a request from a member of the public to provide them with a litter picker to collect litter while walking around Brixham.**

Members were impressed with the nature of the request and were keen to support the initiative. It was **resolved** to make further investigations into the provision of litter pickers to members of the public and to ask Devon Association of Local Councils (DALC) what are the connotations of doing this? A report will be provided at the next meeting.

**17196. To hear an update on the Red Telephone project.**

The deputy clerk informed members the power has now been disconnected to all three telephone boxes. Workload is being prioritised and the project is currently on hold.

**17197. To hear an update on the Lengthsman**

- Report 30-2018 was discussed, and members supported the actions taken.
- The van is due for service and will be booked in over the next couple of weeks.
- Strimmer is still being repaired.

**17198. To put forward items for the next agenda.**

- CERT
- Lengthsman
- Telephone Box
- Lanterns, Lights & 'luminations
- Waste working group
- WW1 Celebrations
- RNLI presentation
- D Day June 2019

There being no further business Chairperson closed the meeting at 20:16pm

Chairperson.....

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