

Brixham Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Services Committee held at Brixham Town Hall on 29th February 2016 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs P Addison, V Campbell, S Clutterbuck, R Clarke, M Morey, J Stockman & J Wilbraham.

Also present: L McGuirk, Assistant to the Town Clerk.

16019. To accept apologies through the Clerk.

None received.

16020. Declarations of Interest.

None. The declaration of interest register was available to sign.

16021. To consider any requests for Dispensation on agenda items.

None.

16022. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 18th January 2016.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 18th January 2016 were **resolved** and signed by the Chairperson.

16023. To consider a nomination received for the ‘Outstanding Sports achievement Award 2016’

Members discussed the nomination received. It was **resolved** to award Joel Clifton the Outstanding Sports Achievement Award in recognition of his dedication to Wheelchair Basketball and his achievement of reaching National level. It was **agreed** to make the presentation at the Parish Meeting on the 19th May 2016.

16024. To discuss and review the Christmas lights, Switch On and Lantern Parade.

Christmas Lights: Members were informed the Clerk had met with Matt Taylor from Lamps & Tubes. A small discount has been received on the final invoice as a gesture of goodwill. It was **agreed** to sell the filament Christmas Lights at scrap value to make more room available in the store. This should be done when the lights are put up this year.

Switch on event:

Discussion took place on the rebranding of “Lanterns, Lights & ‘luminations” to encompass the other events that are taking place over the same weekend. It was **agreed** to defer until the next meeting. The clerk has attended a meeting with representatives of BATS who are keen to work with BTC to achieve a weekend event. A meeting has been arranged for Friday 11th March at 10am with representatives from the Chamber of Commerce, Lupton Trust and BATS to discuss working together to create a Christmas Weekend.

Lantern Parade: The Clerk updated members on a meeting with Rachel Swain. It was **agreed** to employ Rachel Swain to run the Lantern making workshops this year. It was **agreed** to provide two workshops; one on a week day in November for Schools and Brixham College and the other on the day of the Lantern Parade. Schools should be contacted in early to gauge interest.

- 16025. To consider a request from BATS to receive the monies collected during Lanterns, Lights & 'luminations event 2016.**
Members were informed of a request from BATS to receive the monies collected during the Lantern Parade and Switch on event. It was **agreed** BATS will receive the donations in 2016. BTC remain responsible for the management and counting of the collecting buckets. BATS to be responsible for the labelling and sealing of the buckets. It was **agreed** a policy and application process is required to enable Brixham community groups and charities to apply.
- 16026. To hear an update on the festoon lights.**
Members were updated on the response from Torbay Council regarding Paignton and Torquay Festoon lights. Torquay lights were replaced as a result of storm damage. Paignton were a 3 phase capital programme.
- 16027. To discuss and consider the Queens 90th Birthday Beacons and celebrations.**
Discussion took place and it was **agreed** to support the idea in principal but the Town Council does not have the budget provision to fund an event.
- 16028. To hear an update on the Vintage Velo**
Members discussed Cllr Clutterbuck's recommendation to bring a Vintage Velo event to Brixham in 2017. It was **agreed** to invite the organiser to give a presentation to the community Services Committee and invite the Chamber of Commerce to attend.
- 16029. To discuss Cemetery provision in Brixham.**
Members were informed that no cemetery provision has been identified for Brixham in the Adopted Local Plan. It was **agreed** to request Torbay Council carry out the appropriate testing to see if the area previously identified at Summercombe is suitable for a cemetery and ask Torbay Council why no provision has been identified in the Local Plan?
- 16030. To hear an update on the provision of a Town Lengthsman.**
The comparison figures were provided and discussed. The Lengthsman scheme proved better value for money. It was **agreed** to report back at the next meeting after the Clerk and Cllr Clutterbuck had met with Torbay Council.
- 16031. To discuss and agree Brixham In Bloom 2016.**
The Bay Blooms competition run by Tor2 on behalf of Torbay Council will not be running this year due to cuts in funding. It was **agreed** to distribute seeds to Schools and Community groups as per the In Bloom Policy. Contact Pride in Brixham to offer seeds for the hanging baskets due to be installed on Middle Street.
- 16032. To hear an update on the Chairpersons Cadet**
The Clerk informed members there is no policy in place. The recommendation to Full Council will be made on the 31.03.16
- 16033. To hear an update on the asset transfer of Furzeham WC & play park at North Boundary Road**
- Furzeham WC: An expression of interest has been made, it is understood that the building is in a poor state of repair. The Charitable commission are the registered charity 'Charitable Trust'. It was **agreed** to request a site visit to investigate the condition of the building.

- North Boundary play park: An official request for the asset transfer was made on the 29.02.16

16034. To hear an update for Flood risk Group

No update was given as the group has not met since the last CS meeting.

16035. To hear an update from the Fairtrade working Group

Councillor Clarke circulated a flyer regarding Fairtrade fortnight. An event will be held during Fairtrade fortnight to celebrate the contribution women have made to Fairtrade.

16036. To discuss and consider 2016 priorities taken from the Strategy document.

It was **agreed** to defer to the next meeting and place at the top of the agenda.

16037. To put forward items for the next agenda

- Update on Asset Transfer
- Vintage Velo

There being no further business the Chairperson closed the meeting at 9:15pm

Chairperson.....

Date.....

The next meeting will be Monday 18th April 2016