Morecambe Town Council



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Proper Officer: Mr Luke Trevaskis

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Morecambe Town Council's Festivals, Sponsorships and Events Committee held remotely (via online Zoom platform) at 6pm on twenty-second day of October 2020.

Present: Councillors M Pattison, D Whitaker, C Matthews; P Ross-Clasper; P Anderton; P Heath; J Goodwin; V Boyd-Power; P Clarke.

In attendance: Mr Luke Trevaskis (Proper Officer) and one member of the public.

Minute 20156

Chairman

The Committee unanimously resolved to elect Cllr Pattison as Chairman of the Festivals, Sponsorships and Events Committee.

Minute 20157

Vice Chairman

The Committee unanimously resolved to elect Cllr Whitaker as Vice Chairman of the Festivals, Sponsorships and Events Committee.

Minute 20158

Apologies

Apologies for absence received from Cllr J Ashworth and Cllr A Ashworth.

Minute 20159

Declarations of Interests

Cllr Pattison noted membership of Lancashire County Council. Cllr P Ross-Clasper noted ownership of a guesthouse.

Minute 20160

Public Participation

The new fundraising co-ordinator of Stanleys Community Centre made introductions.

Minute 20161

2021-2022 Budget

A motion was moved to recommend a proposed budget for 2021-2022 of £50,000. A recorded vote was requested. For: Cllrs Heath and Boyd-Power. Against: Cllrs Clarke, Pattison, Whitaker, Ross-Clasper, and Goodwin.

A motion was moved to recommend a proposed budget for 2021-2022 of £75,000. For: Cllrs Clarke, Goodwin, Ross-Clasper, Pattison and Whitaker. Against: Cllrs Heath.

It was resolved to recommend a budget for 2021-2022 of £75,000.

Minute 20162

Events

It was unanimously resolved for Cllr Goodwin to liaise with the Proper Officer to produce a digital firework display for Halloween, Christmas and New Year - with a competition being organised for Halloween and Christmas.

Minute 20163

Application Forms and Criteria

It was unanimously resolved to recommend the application form and criteria to the Council for approval subject to the below amends.

1. Removal of "through increased hotel/guest house bookings"

2. Addition of "when funding will be released will be considered on a case-by-case basis"

3. Addition of "major events or festivals must not take place on a bank holiday"

4. Amend to "no grant will be awarded to or for any commercial venture unless the Committee is minded it is of significant benefit to the town as a whole and provides conditions as such to support the project".