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 at Morecambe Town Hall at 18.00pm on first day of June 2022.

Members Present: Councillors P Heath, J Ashworth, P Clarke

In attendance: Luke Trevaskis (Proper Officer), P Anderton (non-voting ex-officio member)

Minute FSE2223-13

Apologies

Cllrs J Goodwin, M Pattison, V Boyd-Power, D Whitaker.

Minute FSE2223-14

Declarations of Interest

None.

Minute FSE2223-15

Minutes

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Minute FSE2223-16

Public Participation

None.

Minute FSE2223-17

Exclusion of Press and Public

The Committee resolved to exclude the press and public, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, from the meeting for the following business on the grounds that it could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A of that Act.

Minute FSE2223-18

Festival Grant Application 11

The Committee resolved to award a grant of £5,000 to Winter Cabaret organised by Escape to Make.

Minute FSE2223-19

Festival Grant Application 12

Cllr P Anderton noted that whilst he was present in an ex officio capacity and could not vote on any item, he declared an interest in the item as the applicant uses Morecambe Winter Gardens where he sits as a trustee director.

It was noted that the applicant had not included enough information to meet all of the criteria.

It was also noted by members that the management fees of \pounds 11,175 seemed particularly high for a two day event, especially with a day rate of \pounds 195 stated for two festival producers for 25 days, a music content producer for 10 days at \pounds 180 per day, a family content producer for 10 days at \pounds 180 per day, and a production manager for 10 days at \pounds 180 per day.

The Committee resolved not to award a grant to this applicant.

Minute FSE2223-20

Festival Grant Application 13

The Council considered criteria "1(M) - demonstrate any progression towards self-sustainability". It was noted that the applicant had not included enough information to meet this requirement.

The Council considered criteria "2(G) - How the applicant intends to recognise the contribution of the Council". It was noted that the applicant had not included any information to meet this requirement.

It was noted by members that the management fee of £5,000 seemed particularly high for a one day event.

The Committee resolved not to award a grant to this applicant.

Minute FSE2223-21

Festival Grant Application 14

The Committee resolved to award a grant of £1,490 to Morecambe Promenade Park Run.

Minute FSE2223-22

Festival and Events Update

The Committee received an update on the events planned for the Platinum Jubilee, noting all arrangements were going according to plan and the event had somewhat snowballed, garnering interest both nationally and internationally.