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Minutes of the Meeting of the Events Committee held at the Council Chamber, Blaina Institute, High Street, Blaina. Immediately following the Meeting of the Town Council on Tuesday 28th November 2023.

A meeting to which members of the public were entitled to attend.

Present: Councillor L Harris, Chair of the Events Committee, Presiding
Councillors: D Hillman; K Jenkins, K Jones JP, M Williams (remote) & C Hillman (remote).

In attendance: Mrs Tracy Hughes, Town Clerk
Mrs N Horner, Assistant Officer

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Town Clerk informed that no members of the press or public were in attendance. **Resolved** to note the information received.

Declaration of Interest

Members were invited to declare matters of interest either at the beginning or at any time during the proceedings. Please note that all declarations of interest must be recorded in the book provided.

Resolved to note that no declarations were received.

1. Apologies: Members were invited to consider the apologies for absence received and to formally resolve to accept.

Resolved to note that apologies were received from Cllr J Bond and Cllr L King and **Further Resolved** to accept the apologies received.

2. Questions from the public: To receive any questions from the public on matters on the agenda.

Resolved to note that there were no public in attendance and no questions from public received.

3. Correspondence:

Members were invited to consider the listed correspondence, plus with the Chair's permission, any urgent information that might be received prior to the date of the meeting.

No correspondence received to date.

Additional correspondence received with permission of the Chair:

Karen Williams, Town Centre Manager BGCBC:

E-mail in which she expressed her thanks for the kind donation and confirmed that the event went well on Saturday.

Chair explained that she had noticed that there was no reindeer food around the event. Cllr G Morvan confirmed that he had given out the 400 reindeer food bags to children who visited Santa in his grotto. AO, also confirmed that she had taken her Granddaughter to see Santa and a reindeer food bag was received.

Resolved to note information was received.

4. Forthcoming Events: Members were reminded that the forthcoming events would take place on the following:

- Christmas Extravaganza, Saturday 25th November, Central Park, Cwmcelyn, Blaina. 12 – 9pm.

Cllr D Hillman asked if there was any road closure planning application form had been submitted in respect of the event. Town Clerk confirmed that Town Council had not received an application form.

Chair explained that she had called into the office to ask if she was able to sell raffle tickets 'Name the doll', to raise funds for 'League of Friends'. To which Town Clerk informed that she would need ask Town Centre Manager as this was not Town Council event. Town Clerk asked TCM to telephone to confirm or not to confirm. Chair relayed that TCM had left a voice mail explaining that a form needed to be completed and to call TCM back to give an email address. However, the form stated that the form had to be returned by 2pm that day.

Cllr D Hillman explained that he tried several times to return form via email, but it kept getting returned. He also informed he thought there was enough space for Town Council and League of Friends to have a stand/stall at the event. A Member opined that BGFM were at the event and couldn't understand why an announcement couldn't have been made to say the lights within Nantyglo & Blaina are being switched on?

Two Members also opined that the event was heavily set around a local Blaenau Gwent Councillor and that people approached a Town Councillor expressing and/or asking if the event was held by the Labour Group.

Resolved to note information received.

- Christmas Carol Concert, Tuesday 28th November, Blaen y Cwm Primary School. 4:30 – 5:30.

Cllr D Hillman asked if all arrangements for concert were in place i.e., Selection packs and Santa. Clerk confirmed that selections packs and programmes had been delivered and Blaen Y cwm School is providing the Santa. The remaining selection packs would be delivered to each school at a later date.

Resolved to note information received.

5. Cinema Project for 2024 summer: Email quotation received from Cymru Creations Film & Media.

Members thought that the quotation is an excellent value for money. It was suggested that clerk contact company to ascertain what notice would they need for cinema event to take place.

A discussion took place about weather and to look at a possible site and dates at a future meeting.

Resolved to note information received and further **Resolved** for clerk to ascertain what notice is required from Cymru Creations and to agenda the item at a later date in the New Year.

6. Plants for planters: Members suggested to consider the purchasing of plants for planters and the costs.

A Member informed that the planters were looking rather poor with all the dead plants remaining. Cllr D Hillman suggested that council refrain from fitting the signs until planters are looking healthier. Cllr D Hillman informed that he could purchase, on behalf of Town Council, a 25kg bag of daffodils bulbs £39.99, which would fill all planters.

Members agreed that the cleaning up of planters to remove all debris, which would look far better empty than what they look like at present.

A discussion ensued regarding purchasing more compost and winter pansies at the cost of £2.96 for a tray of 6 at Trago Mills and Cllr D Hillman confirmed that he would receive 10% discount if purchased on a Thursday.

Members agreed to purchase the daffodil bulbs for now and look at purchasing pansies and compost once the planters have been cleaned up.

Cllr M Williams offered to help with the clean-up of planters.

Resolved for Cllr D Hillman to purchase daffodil bulb and **Further Resolved** to remove all debris from planters and look at purchasing pansies and compost once planters are cleared. Cllr D Hillman and Cllr M Williams agreed to clear the debris from planters.

Meeting closed at 3.15pm

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