

# Hetton Town Council



## Minutes of the meeting of Events & Special Activities Committee held on Thursday 14 April 2022 at The Hetton Centre, DH5 9NE

### **Present**

Cllrs R Coulson, D Geddis (Chairman) and S Waterston.

### **In attendance**

G Keedy, Town Clerk (TC)

### **1) Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr T Dodds (work commitment) and Cllr P Hall (no child care).

Committee resolved to recommend that the apologies be approved.

No apology for absence had been received from Cllr M Thornton or Cllr C Willis. Committee resolved to recommend that these absences be recorded as unapproved.

### **2) Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **3) Public participation**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

### **4) Events programme update**

TC reported that arrangements for the Easter Egg hunt on 16 April had been concluded. A donation of eggs had been gratefully received from Tesco; the risk assessment had been acknowledged by Zurich Municipal; and all that had registered with TC had been emailed.

Committee discussed the possible format for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee event on 2 June. Suggestions included a fireworks or lumière display, tree planting, a commemorative plaque and event souvenirs.

Committee and TC also visited Hetton Mini Park to identify a potential site for the gas-fuelled beacon.

Committee resolved to recommend that:

TC research the suggestions and associated costs and notify SCC of the intention to hold the Platinum Jubilee event,

and

The proposed budget for the event be increased to £8000.00 maximum.

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### **5) Christmas 2022**

TC reported that SCC had not to date granted permission for The Hetton Centre car park to be part-used for a Christmas event. Dialogue with SCC officers was continuing. Committee noted that an alternative venue may need to be considered.

TC advised that following an earlier Committee recommendation, subsequently approved by Full Council, he had notified SCC of Councils' decision to continue with existing arrangements for the procurement of Christmas trees and lighting.

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