

Hetton Town Council



Minutes of meeting of HTC Events & Special Activities Committee held on Tuesday 2 November 2021 at The Hetton Centre

Present:

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

In attendance:

G Keedy, Town Clerk (TC)

Cllr K Pearson

1) Apologies for absence

TC reported that apologies for absence had been received from Cllr T Dodds (unwell) and Cllr C Willis (unwell).

Committee resolved to recommend approval of the apology.

No apology for absence had been received from Cllr M Thornton.

Committee resolved to recommend that her absence be recorded as unapproved

2) Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3) Public participation

Cllr K Pearson reported that the Air Cadets would send 6 x volunteers to the Remembrance event on 11 November.

4) Christmas celebrations 2021

TC reported that due to short notice, the events organiser interested in providing a Christmas market had been unable to progress. However this would not affect the planned illuminations switch on date Friday 19 November.

TC advised that quotation for dressing the three x trees had been received from Balfour Beatty.

TC reported that SCC had advised that the increase of £850.00 each / tree was attributable to increases in staffing, haulage and fuel costs.

Committee resolved to recommend that for 2022, a review of arrangements for the procurement of Christmas trees be undertaken and that enquiries be made to Durham County Council and local councils in the County to establish their approach and seek indicative costs.

5) Remembrance Day

TC reported that he had requested SCC to carry out grounds maintenance work and a litter pick ahead of 11 November event.

TC confirmed that 2 x wreaths had been delivered and poppy cannon x 6 had been ordered.

Discussion took place re issuing of formal invitations to the event.

6) Date and time of next meeting

Town Clerk and Chairman to liaise.

Signed:

Date: