



Hetton Town Council



Minutes of the meeting of Events & Special Activities Committee held on Tuesday 6 February 2024 at The Hetton Centre, Hetton-le-Hole, County Durham, DH5 9NE

Present

Cllrs D Brennan, D Geddis, P Hall, K Pearson, D Thomas (Chairman) and S Waterston.

In attendance

MoP x 1

Cllr P Dowell

G Keedy, Town Clerk (TC)

1) Apologies for absence

TC reported that an apology for absence had been received from Cllr K Angus (longstanding other commitment).

Committee **resolved** to recommend that the apology received be approved.

No apology for absence had been received from Cllr S Woods-Brass.

Committee **resolved** to recommend that his absence be recorded as unapproved.

2) Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3) Public participation

There were no issues raised.

4) Events programme 23/24 (remainder) and 24/25

Following discussion, Committee **resolved** to recommend the events and budget allocation as outlined below:

2023/2024 financial year

20 March 2024 - County Durham Day. No budget required - flag flying only.

29 March 2024 - Easter Egg Hunt. £1000.00

2024 /2025 financial year

April 2024 - 50 years of Hetton Town Council.

(cost allocation to be sought from an alternative budget heading).

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6 June 2024 - D Day 80 commemoration. £500.00

29 June 2024 - Armed Forces Day. No budget required - flag flying only.

31 October 2024 - Halloween. £500.00

10 November 2024 - Remembrance Day - Easington Lane and East Rainton}

11 November 2024 - Armistice Day – Hetton }£1400.00

December 2024 - Christmas events and dates TBC. £2000.00

20 March 2025 - County Durham Day. TBC

5) Consultation exercise - Christmas trees for 2024

Noting the 24-25 budget allocation, Committee discussed the merits or otherwise of progressing a public consultation. Following a vote by show of hands, ultimately determined by the Chairman's casting vote, Committee **resolved** to recommend proceeding with a consultation exercise.

6) Future meetings

Following discussion, the Chairman proposed that Committee move to a calendar of scheduled monthly meetings. There was no seconder.

Committee **resolved** to recommend that future meetings continue to be convened on an ad hoc basis.