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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 28 MARCH 2022

- Present:** Councillor J Barnes (Chair, Deputy Mayor)
Councillor R Dineley
Councillor D Pinkney
Councillor S Scott-James
Councillor H Maitland-Jones
Councillor V Head
- In Attendance:** Steve Catanach; Town Clerk - Community Services
Paul Ryan; Administration Assistant
38. **Apologies:** Councillor M Roberts (Town Mayor)
Councillor C Jones
Councillor J Keeler
39. **Absent No Apologies:** Councillor M Flys (Deputy Chair)
40. **Declarations of Interest:**

Councillor Barnes, Councillor Head and Councillor Pinkney declared a non-pecuniary interest on Minute 47 as members of the Amersham Action Group (road closure applications)
41. **To consider a request from Children’s Funfair to hold a toddler’s funfair on King George V Field between 17th - 19th June and 24th - 26th June**

Following discussion, the committee **approved** the proposal for Children’s Funfair to hold a toddler’s fair on King George V Playing Fields as per the dates requested.

Proposed Councillor J Barnes
Seconded Councillor R Dineley

42. **Amersham in Bloom and Town Centre Enhancement update**

Councillor Barnes and the Town Clerk updated the committee on various *Bloom* projects including the Amersham Arches Mural Project, the *Green and Blue* environmental book, and other projects involving Buckinghamshire College and local schools.

43. **Update on Climate Action initiatives, including the new ‘environment’ web page and recycling project**

Councillor Dineley updated the committee on the environment section which will form part of a new section on the website. Subsequently, Councillor Barnes updated the committee on the recycling project which the Council is working on in partnership with local businesses.

It was noted that the carbon audit, commissioned by Council, has been delayed due to an issue obtaining the energy bills for the past year, however, the contractor has agreed to go ahead without this information.

44. **Update on civic events, including Jubilee celebrations**

The committee was given a brief update of the Council’s 2022 programme of events.

Following discussion, it was **agreed** to run an incentive programme to encourage those attending band concerts to bring their own cups for refreshments. It was also **agreed** to ensure that all recycling signage was prominent.

45. **To approve a proposal to ‘dress’ the Market Hall to celebrate the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee**

The Clerk outlined a proposal to dress the frontage of the Market Hall to celebrate the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee. The proposal involves using pom poms, created with wool, made in partnership with pupils of Stony Dean School.

The intention is to copy, where possible, the display on the Market Hall from 1953 which celebrated Her Majesty’s Coronation.

Proposed Councillor V Head
Seconded Councillor J Barnes

46. **To note the road closure applications for 2022**

Following discussion, it was **agreed** that the Council submits the road closure application on behalf of the Amersham Action Group (AAG) for their Christmas event on 3 December. The application is to be completed by AAG, with the Council merely submitting the form along with the Council's own requests.

Proposed Councillor R Dineley
Seconded Councillor H Maitland-Jones

47. **Matters for Report**

Following discussion, the committee **agreed** with a proposal to instruct Tulu Toilets to install a temporary toilet at Hervines Park and Barn Meadow, at a cost of £35 per week (per location) from the Easter holidays until mid-September. It is proposed that approval is sought from the F&GP committee on 11 April.

The committee was advised that a temporary pétanque/boules pitch is to be installed on King George V Playing Field, until permanent pitches are installed by BAM/Bucks Council as part of the Chilterns Lifestyle Centre development.

The meeting ended at 8.30pm

Chairman

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