



# Yeovil Town Council

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**Minutes of the hybrid meeting of the Promotions and Activities Committee held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.00pm held in the Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil BA20 1PQ; and by video-conference using Zoom meeting software.**

**Committee Members Present (in person):** Cllrs E Hopkins (In the Chair); J Cabell; T Casey; A Kendall; J Lock; J Lowery; E Potts-Jones; W Read; and D Woan.

**Members Present (virtually):** Cllrs T Lock (Lyde Ward) and A Richards (Wyndham Ward).

**In Attendance (in person):** A Card (Town Clerk) and S Freemantle (Deputy Town Clerk).

**Public Comment.** There were no members of the public and one member of the press present.

**7.00pm** – Meeting Commenced

## **11/054. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER THE REASONS GIVEN**

Apologies for absence (*LGA 1972 s85(1)*) were received from Cllr S Lowery (work commitments), therefore Cllr E Hopkins took the Chair. Cllr D Woan explained that he had sent his apologies in for the previous Promotions and Activities Committee meeting which was held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 as he was in London on County Council business.

**RESOLVED:** to accept the apologies with the reasons given.

## **11/055. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **11/056. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The Committee approved as a correct record the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Cllr D Woan explained that he had mentioned at the last meeting that Yeovil College would like to be involved in expanding Super Saturday this year.

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meeting of the Promotions and Activities Committee held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### **11/057. YEOVIL CELEBRATES...**

The Committee considered a verbal report by the Deputy Town Clerk regarding the two-day celebration event due to take place in May 2023. The event will include:

Main stage with choirs and bands from 12noon until 10pm

A smaller stage with community and acoustic performances from 12noon until 6/7pm

Children's entertainment

Community stalls

2 bars

Hot food vendors

The Deputy Town Clerk also explained the adjustments that had been made that day due to the café in the John O'Donnell building informing the Town Council that it does not want to be part of the event.

**RESOLVED:** to note the update on the "*Yeovil Celebrates...*" event on 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

#### **11/058. YEOVIL TOWN CRIER'S COMPETITION**

The Committee considered the update on plans provided by the Deputy Town Clerk and it was noted that the uptake by competitors was low and that the work in The Borough could complicate holding the event on that date this year. It was therefore agreed to cancel the Town Crier's competition this year.

**RESOLVED:** (1) to note the update; and (2) to cancel the Town Crier's Competition this year.

#### **11/059. YEOVIL IN BLOOM MINUTES**

The Committee considered the minutes of the Yeovil in Bloom meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

**RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the Yeovil in Bloom meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 be noted.

#### **11/160. URGENT DECISION: LANTERN PARADE FUNDING**

The Committee considered the report by the Town Clerk.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**11/061. FINANCIAL STATEMENT – DECEMBER 2022 AND JANUARY 2023**

The Committee considered the Financial Statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

**RESOLVED:** that the Financial Statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 be approved.

**Public Comment.** There were no comments from members of the public. The member of the press said that he was sorry to hear about the problems with the Yeovil Celebrates event planning.

*7.31pm – The member of the press left the meeting and did not return.*

**11/062. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED:** to exclude the press and public from the remainder of the meeting in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 on the grounds that publicity of the remainder of the agenda would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s3

**11/063. URGENT DECISION: CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

The Committee considered the report by the Town Clerk.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**11/064. 71 PRINCES STREET (CONFIDENTIAL)**

The Committee considered the report by the Town Clerk.

**RESOLVED** (1) that the report be noted; (2) the Town Clerk suggested a course of action which was agreed.

The meeting closed at 7.56pm.

Signed: ..... (Chairman)

Date: .....