

WIGTON TOWN COUNCIL
A MEETING OF THE EVENTS COMMITTEE WAS
HELD ON TUESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 5:30 PM

PRESENT

Councillors McCarthy, Hodson, Jackson, Scott and Crouch.

Clerk: S. Cooper

EVE/52/2024 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES & RECORD REASONS FOR ABSENCE

None

EVE/53/2024 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS EVENTS MEETING

Agreed

EVE/54/2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

None

EVE/55/2024 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

None

EVE/56/2024 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Representatives from the 3rd Wigton Sea Scouts Group to discuss Christmas Lights.

EVE/57/2024 PARTY IN THE PARK

Everyone agreed that it was a good day had by all with a good variety of music and acts, and the positioning of the WTC gazebo was beneficial as it brought a lot of people in.

A negative was perhaps the area for people to watch the stage being too condensed, however, this was to avoid any damaging of the football pitches after the bad weather. In future it may be an idea to promote vendors etc. via the stage to push customers, but also not allow them to leave during the day as they should be committed to staying the whole event.

Cllr Hodson mentioned that Wigton Rugby Club had an idea of doing "Party on the Pitch". – to be reviewed and discussed in January.

EVE/58/2024/ CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Scouts mentioned they would like to attend the light switch on and have a stall to cook s'mores and do knot tying with something edible. They also offered to volunteer at any other future events held by WTC - SC to check insurance and make sure it would allow for the Scouts to use an open fire pit.

SC to enquire about using the old Stocksman as either a car park or a possible area for the fun fair.

Cllr Hodson to ask the theatre if they would like to have any involvement with the day and if so, what they would do.

Potential acts mentioned were Southbound, Phoenix and Talia, Johnny Morton and David Yarrow – SC to contact these and check availability. It was then agreed to use the same stage and sound company as last year and ask Kieran Nixon to host the day as a Christmas character, if possible.

It was mentioned to ask Fun Bounce Entertainments what Christmas themed inflatables they offer and that a snow globe would be good again this year. SC to retrieve quotes for an ice rink as an activity.

SC and EI to call into all the local businesses and make them aware of the light switch on being on a Saturday instead of a Sunday as it normally is.

Meeting closed 7:15pm

Date of next meeting: Monday 23rd September 2024